SYLLABUS

1. Information regarding the programme

1.1 Higher education institution	**Babeş Bolyai University**
1.2 Faculty	**Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science**
1.3 Department	**Department of Computer Science**
1.4 Field of study	**Computer Science**
1.5 Study cycle	**Master**
1.6 Study programme / Qualification	**Component Based Programming**

2. Information regarding the discipline

2.1 Name of the discipline	**Rule based Programming**						
2.2 Course coordinator	**Assoc.Prof.PhD. Simona Motogna**						
2.3 Seminar coordinator	**Assoc.Prof.PhD. Simona Motogna**						
2.4. Year of study	**2**	2.5 Semester	**3**	2.6. Type of evaluation	**E**	2.7 Type of discipline	**Compulsory**

3. Total estimated time (hours/semester of didactic activities)

3.1 Hours per week	3	Of which: 3.2 course	2	3.3 seminar/laboratory	1
3.4 Total hours in the curriculum	42	Of which: 3.5 course	28	3.6 seminar/laboratory	14
Time allotment:					hours
Learning using manual, course support, bibliography, course notes					30
Additional documentation (in libraries, on electronic platforms, field documentation)					30
Preparation for seminars/labs, homework, papers, portfolios and essays					70
Tutorship					14
Evaluations					14
Other activities:					-

3.7 Total individual study hours	158
3.8 Total hours per semester	200
3.9 Number of ECTS credits	8

4. Prerequisites (if necessary)

4.1. curriculum	• None
4.2. competencies	• Average Java programming skills

5. Conditions (if necessary)

5.1. for the course	• None
5.2. for the seminar /lab activities	• Computers, Eclipse framework (free license), Jess (free academic license)

6. Specific competencies acquired

Professional competencies	• Systematic use of computer science knowledge to model and interpret new situations, within application contexts larger than the known ones • Detailed knowledge and integrated use of conceptual and methodological apparatus pertaining to informatics to provide solutions for incompletely defined situations, to solve new theoretical and practical problems • Use advanced skills to develop and conduct complex software projects, of practical and/or research nature, using a wide range of quantitative and qualitative methods • Demonstrate advanced skills to analysis, design, and construction of software systems, using a wide range of hardware / software platforms, programming languages and environments, and modeling, verification and validation tools
Transversal competencies	• Project development • Project presentation • Using different programming paradigms in software development

7. Objectives of the discipline (outcome of the acquired competencies)

7.1 General objective of the discipline	The course will introduce students to a completely different way of programming, in which you specify rules of behavior. It will discuss paradigms that allow rule constructions, or addition of rules, and the application areas for which they are suited.
7.2 Specific objective of the discipline	• to demonstrate medium to large scale rule-based program design, • to survey the application areas for which rule based techniques are best suited, and • to provide an introduction to the implementation and semantics of rules.

8. Content

8.1 Course	Teaching methods	Remarks
1. Introduction. A review of fundamental data types, rules, and definitions; discussion of various programming paradigms and differences between them [5]	Exposure,description, explanation, debate and dialogue, discussion of case studies	
2. Principles of Rule-based programming: Review of declarative programming and Prolog languages. Using relations as building blocks in program design. Special features of declarative languages. [2]	explanation, debate and dialogue, discussion of case studies	
3. Java Rule Engine: [jsr]	Exposure,description, explanation	
4. Introduction to Jess: structure, basic constructs [7]	Exposure,description, explanation	
5. Facts in Jess: [7]	Exposure,description, explanation	
6. Rules in Jess: writing rules. Firing and execution; Rete algorithm[7]	Exposure,description, explanation	
7. Java and Jess [7]	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of	

	case studies	
8. Application development using Jess [7]	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of case studies	
9. XML Transformation Languages [4]	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of case studies	
10. Rule based systems in Model Transformations [7]	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of case studies	
11. Rule based systems for .NET framework	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of case studies	
12. Case study: Junit test framework [8]	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of case studies	
13. Rule based systems used in industrial applications	Exposure,description, explanation, discussion of case studies	
14. Reserved topic		Usualy dedicated to an invited guest from a software company

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3. Friedman-Hill, Ernest, JESS in Action, Manning, Greenwich, CT, 2003.
4. Kowalski, T., Levy, L.; Rule-Based Programming, Springer, 1996
5. Mitchell, J. Concepts in Programming Languages, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2003
6. S Thomson. The Craft of Functional Programming. Addison-Wesley. 1996.
7. Jess Homepage - http://www.jessrules.com/jess/index.shtml
8. JUnit homepage www.junit.org

8.2 Seminar / laboratory	Teaching methods	Remarks
1. Download, install and get used to Jess or other rule based system		Seminar is organized as a total of 7 hours – 2 hours every second week
2. Write small programs in Jess	Dialogue, debate, case studies, examples, proofs	
3. Establish project theme and project architecture	Dialogue, debate, case studies, examples, proofs	
4. Project milestone: facts	Dialogue, debate, case studies, examples, proofs	
5. Project milestone: rules	Dialogue, debate, case studies, examples, proofs	
6. Integration, testing	Dialogue, debate, case studies, examples, proofs	
7. Project presentation	Evaluation	

Bibliography

Same as course

9. Corroborating the content of the discipline with the expectations of the epistemic community, professional associations and representative employers within the field of the program

- The course respects the IEEE and ACM Curricula Recommendations for Computer Science studies;
- The content of the course is considered by the software companies as important for average programming skills

10. Evaluation

Type of activity	10.1 Evaluation criteria	10.2 Evaluation methods	10.3 Share in the grade (%)
10.4 Course	- know the basic principle of the domain; - apply the course concepts - problem solving	Written exam	50%
10.5 Seminar/lab activities	- be able to implement course concepts - apply techniques for different classes of problems	-Project -documentation -portofolio -continous observations	50%
10.6 Minimum performance standards			
➢ At least grade 5 (from a scale of 1 to 10) at both written exam and laboratory work.			

Date	Signature of course coordinator	Signature of seminar coordinator
.....	Assoc.Prof.PhD. Simona MOTOGNA	Assoc.Prof.PhD. Simona MOTOGNA

Date of approval

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Signature of the head of department

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