

## SYLLABUS

### 1. Information regarding the programme

1.1 Higher education institution	<b>Babe Bolyai University</b>
1.2 Faculty	<b>Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science</b>
1.3 Department	<b>Department of Computer Science</b>
1.4 Field of study	<b>Mathematics</b>
1.5 Study cycle	<b>Bachelor</b>
1.6 Study programme / Qualification	<b>Mathematics and Computer Science</b>

### 2. Information regarding the discipline

2.1 Name of the discipline	<b>Computer Systems Architecture</b>						
2.2 Course coordinator	<b>Lect. Dr. Vancea Alexandru-loan</b>						
2.3 Seminar coordinator	<b>Lect. Dr. Vancea Alexandru-loan</b>						
2.4. Year of study	<b>2</b>	2.5 Semester	<b>3</b>	2.6. Type of evaluation	<b>E</b>	2.7 Type of discipline	<b>Compulsory</b>

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

3.1 Hours per week	4	Of which: 3.2 course	2	3.3 seminar/laboratory	1 sem + 1 lab
3.4 Total hours in the curriculum	56	Of which: 3.5 course	28	3.6 seminar/laboratory	28
Time allotment:					hours
Learning using manual, course support, bibliography, course notes					18
Additional documentation (in libraries, on electronic platforms, field documentation)					8
Preparation for seminars/labs, homework, papers, portfolios and essays					18
Tutorship					7
Evaluations					18
Other activities: .....					
3.7 Total individual study hours	69				
3.8 Total hours per semester	125				
3.9 Number of ECTS credits	5				

### 4. Prerequisites (if necessary)

4.1. curriculum	•
4.2. competencies	•

### 5. Conditions (if necessary)

5.1. for the course	•
5.2. for the seminar /lab activities	• Laboratory with computers

## 6. Specific competencies acquired

<b>Professional competencies</b>	<p>C6.1 Identification of basic concepts and models for computer systems and computer networks.</p> <p>C6.2 Identification and description of the basic architectures for the organization and management of systems and networks.</p>
<b>Transversal competencies</b>	<p>CT1 Application of organized and efficient work rules, of responsible attitudes towards the didactic and scientific domain, for the creative exploitation of their own potential according to the principles and rules of professional ethics</p> <p>CT3 Use of effective methods and techniques of learning, information, research and development of the capacity to exploit knowledge, to adapt to the requirements of a dynamic society and communication in Romanian language and in a foreign language</p>

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

7.1 General objective of the discipline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge of the computer architecture models, processor functioning, computer information representation usage</li> </ul>
7.2 Specific objective of the discipline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding by the students of the computer architecture models, processor functioning, computer information representation usage</li> <li>• Initiation in assembler language programming, which will assure the comprehension of the microprocessor architecture and functioning</li> <li>• Understanding the basic functions of a computer's architectural components and its native low-level workflow. Awareness of the architectural impact on designing and implementing high level programming languages.</li> <li>• Initiation in interrupt systems architecture, with the 80x86 case study</li> </ul>

## 8. Content

8.1 Course	Teaching methods	Remarks
<p>Data representation: elementary data, binary representation and placement orders, data organizing and storing (W1), character coding, signed and unsigned representation, complementary code, conversions, the concept of overflow (W2);</p> <p>Computing systems (CS) architecture: organization of a CS, the central processing unit, the system clock,</p>	<p>Exposure, description, explanation, examples, discussion of case studies</p>	

computer on n bits, the storage, peripheral devices (W3), CS performances, the 80x86 microprocessor's architecture – structure, registers, address computation, addressing modes, far addresses and near addresses (W4);

Assembly language elements: the source line format, expressions, accessing the operands, operators (W5), directives for defining the segments, for defining data, LABEL, EQU, PROC, INCLUDE, repetitive blocks and macros (W6);

Assembly language instructions: transfer instructions, conversions, signed and unsigned arithmetic operations, bitwise shifting and rotating, logical bitwise operations (W7), conditional and unconditional jump instructions, looping instructions, string instructions (W8);

Interrupts: classification, specific instructions working with interrupts, the COM and EXE formats (W9) ; Interrupts redirection: TSR programs, installing and deinstalling TSR programs, debugging a TSR program, interrupts redirection under Windows OS (W10);

Subprograms call implementation and multimodule programming: call code, entry code, exit code, the directives PUBLIC, EXTRN, GLOBAL, linking TASM modules with modules written in high-level programming languages (W11);

Low-level programming in high level programming languages: inserting machine code, inline assemblers, assembler procedures and functions, accessing registers and calling interrupts, interrupt procedures and functions (W12);

x86 extensions: protected mode, architectural extensions and new instructions added during the evolution of the 80x86 family of processors (W13);

Assembly programming under Windows: system calls in protected mode, restrictions imposed on the interrupt system, MASM and NASM assemblers, the Visual C++ inline assembler (W14);

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8.2 Seminar and laboratory	Teaching methods	Remarks
<p>Data representation: elementary data, binary representation and placement orders, data organizing and storing (W1), character coding, signed and unsigned representation, complementary code, conversions, the concept of overflow (W2); (seminar weeks W1/W2);</p> <p>Computing systems (CS) architecture: organization of a CS, the central processing unit, the system clock, computer on n bits, the storage, peripheral devices (W3), CS performances, the 80x86 microprocessor's architecture – structure, registers, address computation, addressing modes, far addresses and near addresses (W4); (seminar weeks W3/W4);</p> <p>Assembly language elements: the source line format, expressions, accessing the operands, operators (W5), directives for defining the segments, for defining data, LABEL, EQU, PROC, INCLUDE, repetitive blocks and macros (W6); (seminar weeks W5/W6);</p> <p>Assembly language instructions: transfer instructions, conversions, signed and unsigned arithmetic operations, bitwise shifting and rotating, logical bitwise operations (W7), conditional and unconditional jump instructions, looping instructions, string instructions (W8); (seminar weeks W7/W8);</p> <p>Interrupts: classification, specific instructions working with interrupts, the COM and EXE formats (W9) ; Interrupts redirection: TSR programs, installing and deinstalling TSR programs, debugging a TSR program, interrupts redirection under Windows OS (W10); (seminar weeks W9/W10);</p>	<p>Exposure, description, explanation, examples, discussion of case studies</p> <p>Practical projects</p>	

<p>Subprograms call implementation and multimodule programming: call code, entry code, exit code, the directives PUBLIC, EXTRN, GLOBAL, linking TASM modules with modules written in high-level programming languages (W11);</p> <p>Low-level programming in high level programming languages: inserting machine code, inline assemblers, assembler procedures and functions, accessing registers and calling interrupts, interrupt procedures and functions (W12); Topics 6 and 7 will be approached in (seminar weeks W11/W12);</p> <p>x86 extensions: protected mode, architectural extensions and new instructions added during the evolution of the 80x86 family of processors (W13);</p> <p>Assembly programming under Windows: system calls in protected mode, restrictions imposed on the interrupt system, MASM and NASM assemblers, the Visual C++ inline assembler (W14); topics 8 and 9 will be approached in (seminar weeks W13/W14);</p>		
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**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 exists in the studying program of all major universities in Romania and abroad;
- 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;	Written exam	60%
	- application of these principles for problem solving		
10.5 Lab/Seminar activities	- implementation in assembly language	Laboratory work	20%
		Practical exam	20%
10.6 Minimum performance standards			
➤ At least grade 5 at written exam, laboratory work and practical exam.			

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Signature of course coordinator

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Date of approval

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