



ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΔΗΜΟΚΡΑΤΙΑ  
Α.ΔΙ.Π.  
ΑΡΧΗ ΔΙΑΣΦΑΛΙΣΗΣ & ΠΙΣΤΟΠΟΙΗΣΗΣ  
ΤΗΣ ΠΟΙΟΤΗΤΑΣ ΣΤΗΝ ΑΝΩΤΑΤΗ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΥΣΗ

HELLENIC REPUBLIC  
H.Q.A.  
HELLENIC QUALITY ASSURANCE  
AND ACCREDITATION AGENCY

ΤΕΧΝΟΛΟΓΙΚΟ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΥΤΙΚΟ ΙΔΡΥΜΑ ΑΝΑΤΟΛΙΚΗΣ ΜΑΚΕΔΟΝΙΑΣ ΚΑΙ ΘΡΑΚΗΣ  
ΜΟΝΑΔΑ ΔΙΑΣΦΑΛΙΣΗΣ ΤΗΣ ΠΟΙΟΤΗΤΑΣ ΤΕΙ ΑΜΘ

## Quality Assurance in Higher Education Course Data Collection Form

ΤΕΧΝΟΛΟΓΙΚΟ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΥΤΙΚΟ ΙΔΡΥΜΑ  
ΑΝΑΤΟΛΙΚΗΣ ΜΑΚΕΔΟΝΙΑΣ & ΘΡΑΚΗΣ  
ΑΓΙΟΣ ΛΟΥΚΑΣ,  
65404 ΚΑΒΑΛΑ

EASTERN MACEDONIA AND THRACE INSTITUTE  
OF TECHNOLOGY  
AGIOS LOUKAS  
65404 KAVALA

## COURSE OUTLINE

### 1. GENERAL

<b>SCHOOL</b>	School of Technological Applications		
<b>ACADEMIC UNIT</b>	Department of Electrical Engineering		
<b>DEGREE LEVEL</b>	Undergraduate		
<b>COURSE CODE</b>	ZN7	<b>SEMESTER</b>	7 <sup>ο</sup>
<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	Grid technology		
<b>INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES</b> <i>if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g. lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits</i>		<b>WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
Lectures		3	4,5
<b>COURSE TYPE</b> <i>general background, special background, specialised general knowledge, skills development</i>	Special background		
<b>Required passed courses:</b>	None		
<b>TEACHING AND EXAMS LANGUAGE:</b>	Greek / English		
<b>THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS:</b>	Yes		
<b>COURSE WEBPAGE (URL)</b>			

## 2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

### Learning outcomes

The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.

Consult Appendix A

- Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area
- Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Appendix B
- Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course the students will be able to:

- Understand the fundamentals of distributed computing systems and how their development has enabled the growth of grid and cloud technologies.
- Describe, analyze and compare grid and cloud technologies.
- Describe and assess the role of cloud computing and grid in electrical and computer engineering, and in general their usefulness in the fields of business, industry and scientific research.

Keywords: Distributed Processing, grid, middleware, cluster, cloud.

### General Competences

Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?

Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology  
Adapting to new situations  
Decision-making  
Working independently  
Team work  
Working in an international environment  
Working in an interdisciplinary environment  
Production of new research ideas

Project planning and management  
Respect for difference and multiculturalism  
Respect for the natural environment  
Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues  
Criticism and self-criticism  
Production of free, creative and inductive thinking  
.....  
Others...  
.....

- Research, analysis and synthesis of data and information with the usage of the necessary technology
- Decision-making
- Autonomous work
- Teamwork
- Work in a scientific environment
- Respect for the natural environment
- Production of free, creative and inductive thinking

### 3. COURSE CONTENT

The course consists of eight (8) sessions:	
<b>1</b>	<b>Introduction to Distributed Systems - Internet and new technological applications.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is a distributed system - distributed processing.</li> <li>• Case studies of distributed systems.</li> <li>• Software Layers of distributed systems.</li> </ul>
<b>2</b>	<b>Operating System - middleware.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the middleware.</li> <li>• Examples of Middleware.</li> <li>• Client - server applications - examples.</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Computer clustering.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is a computer clustering?</li> <li>• Cluster architecture.</li> <li>• Cluster software functions.</li> <li>• Computer cluster deployment.</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Introduction to Grid technology.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The characteristics and the basic principles of grid technology.</li> <li>• Clustering vs grid technology.</li> <li>• Grid classification.</li> </ul>
<b>5</b>	<b>Architecture and topologies of grid technology.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The main layers of grid technology.</li> <li>• Protocols, Topologies.</li> </ul>
<b>6</b>	<b>Grid applications.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Services.</li> <li>• Applications.</li> <li>• Examples.</li> </ul>
<b>7</b>	<b>Cloud technology, concepts, characteristics.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The characteristics and the basic principles of cloud technology.</li> <li>• Cloud technology vs grid.</li> <li>• Costs and benefits of cloud technology.</li> </ul>
<b>8</b>	<b>Cloud architecture - Services and development models.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The service models in the Cloud computing.</li> <li>• Cloud computing development models.</li> <li>• Applications development models.</li> </ul>

## 4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS – ASSESSMENT

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TEACHING METHOD</b> <i>Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Face to face lectures in class</li> </ul>												
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>UTILISATIONS OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES</b> <i>Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory education, communication with students</i></p>	<p><b>Using ICT to Enhance Active Learning in the Classroom:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of electronic presentation with multimedia content,</li> <li>• Student support through the course webpage and the e-class platform,</li> </ul>												
<p><i>The manner and methods of teaching are described in detail. Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography, tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art workshop, interactive teaching, educational visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The student's study hours for each learning activity are given as well as the hours of non-directed study according to the principles of the ECTS</i></p>	<p><b>Lectures, practice, homework assignments / project, study.</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="707 808 1289 1173"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;"><i>Activity</i></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><i>Semester workload (hours)</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lectures</td> <td style="text-align: center;">39</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Study lecture material</td> <td style="text-align: center;">30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Homework assignments or project and report (individual or group)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">36</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Study and preparation for the exams</td> <td style="text-align: center;">30</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Course Total</b></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>135</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Semester workload (hours)</i>	Lectures	39	Study lecture material	30	Homework assignments or project and report (individual or group)	36	Study and preparation for the exams	30	<b>Course Total</b>	<b>135</b>
<i>Activity</i>	<i>Semester workload (hours)</i>												
Lectures	39												
Study lecture material	30												
Homework assignments or project and report (individual or group)	36												
Study and preparation for the exams	30												
<b>Course Total</b>	<b>135</b>												
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STUDENT ASSESSMENT</b> <i>Description of the evaluation procedure</i></p> <p><i>Language of evaluation, methods of evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple choice questionnaires, short-answer questions, open-ended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral examination, public presentation, laboratory work, clinical examination of patient, art interpretation, other</i></p> <p><i>Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are given, and if and where they are accessible to students.</i></p>	<p>Students are evaluated on the basis of both written and oral examinations, including personal reports and homework assignments on the work done in their practice session.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Homework assignments / project reports and presentations (40%)</li> <li>▪ Final written exam (60%)</li> </ul>												

## 5. RECCOMENDED READING

- *Suggested bibliography:*

1. Grid Computing: Techniques and Applications, Barry Wilkinson, (Chapman & Hall/CRC Computational Science), 2010.
2. Cloud Computing: Implementation, Management, and Security, John W. Rittinghouse, James F. Ransome, CRC Press, 2010.
3. Distributed Systems: Principles and Paradigms, Andrew S. Tanenbaum, Vrije University, Amsterdam, The Netherlands Maarten Van Steen, 2nd Edition, 2007.

- *Related academic journals:*

- *International Journal of Grid and High Performance Computing (IJGHP)*
- *International Journal of Grid and Utility Computing*
- *Journal of Grid Computing*