Course code	
Type and description	Elective Course
ECTS credit	1
Course name	Variational methods in engineering
Course name in Polish	Metody wariacyjne w zagadnieniach inżynierskich
Language of instruction	English
Course level	8 PRK
Course coordinator	Piotr Ostrowski
Course instructors	Piotr Ostrowski
Delivery methods and course duration	Lecture Tutorials Laboratory Project Seminar Other Total of teaching hours during semester
	Contact hours 0 0 15 0 15
	E-learning No No No No No
	Assessment criteria 1,00 (weightage)
Course objective	Aims of the course is:
	1. to extend knowledge in the field of mathematical and functional analysis,
	 to learn formulating variational problem from selected differential equation, to learn numerical methods in optimization problems.
Learning outcomes	 After the course student: knows and understands basics of variational formulation of engineering problem (W4), knows and is able to use Divergence Theorem to the selected initial-boundary problems (U4), knows the basic formulae of Lagrange function and stationary action functional to the selected engineering problems (U4), knows how and when to use Lagrange's and Hamilton's method (U4, W4), can derive Euler-Lagrange equations from integral formulation and form of the Lagrange's function (K1, U4) knows when and how to use Lagrange's and Hamilton's method (U4, W4), knows and can apply numerical methods and/or softwares to the optimization problems
	(K1, U4).8. can present obtained results (K1, U4).
Assessment methods	Verification methods of learning outcomes:
	 effects no. 1-8: by worksheet project. W4, U4 – written project U4, K1 – project seminar presentation The final grade is composed of: 75% - project 25% - oral presentation of achieved solutions in project
Prerequisites	
Course content with delivery methods	Linear, normed and functional spaces. Norms in selected Banach spaces. Scalar product in Hilbert spaces, relation between norm and scalar product. Strong and weak convergence of the sequence. Strong and weak differentiability in Banach spaces. Sobolev spaces.

	Functionals and extremals. Variation of functional.
	Necessary and sufficient conditions of extremal existence. Divergence Theorem.
	Methods of functional minimization.
	Problem of brachistochrone.
	Lagrange and Hamilton methods in mechanics.
	Further examples of application.
Basic reference materials	1. I.M. Gelfand, S.W. Fomin, Rachunek wariacyjny, PWN Warszawa 1979.
	2. R. Rudnicki, Wykłady z analizy matematycznej, PWN Warszawa 2001.
Other reference materials	
Average student workload	10h
outside classroom	
Comments	
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