

Study program		Level of studies		Third cycle		
		Title of the study program		Science and mathematics education		
COURSE						
Course title		Selected Chapters in Teaching of Physics				
Course ID	Semester	Course status		ECTS credits	Contact hours	
PED671	I	Mandatory		7	60	
Lecturers	Lecturer in charge		Prof. dr. Ivica Aviani			
	Other lecturers		Prof. dr. Vanes Mešić			
Course aims	Developing the ability to apply models of learning for purposes of evaluating and developing effective learning material within the context of physics education. Developing the ability for model-based teaching of physics. Becoming familiar with modern approaches to popularization of physics.					
CONTENT						
#	Teaching units			Contact hours		
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	I Models of physics learning Cognitivist approaches to learning and solving physics problems. Nature of physics and structure of physics knowledge. Evolution of physics. II Visualization in physics teaching Concept of visualization. Pedagogical features of selected visual representations. Creating effective external visualizations for physics classes. III A model-based approach to teaching physics Development, evaluation and application of models in physics teaching. The use of sensors and digital video-analysis for modeling of physics phenomena. IV Context-rich learning about physics; Popularization of physics Physics within the context of everyday-life, sports and technology. Hands-on experiments. Low-budget high-tech projects. Exploring natural phenomena in kindergarten and primary school.			30	15	
LITERATURE			ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING			
1. Mintzes, J.J., Wandersee, J.H., Novak, J.D. (2004). <i>Assessing Science Understanding: A Human Constructivist View</i> . San Diego: Academic Press. 2. Redish, E. F., (2003). <i>Teaching Physics with the Physics Suite</i> . NJ: Wiley. 3. Gilbert, J.K., Reiner, M., Nakhleh, M. (2008). <i>Visualization: Theory and Practice in Science Education</i> . Dordrecht: Springer. 4. Clark, R.C., & Mayer, R.E. (2008). <i>E-learning and the science of instruction</i> . San Francisco: Pfeiffer. 5. Halloun, I.A. (2006). <i>Modeling Theory in Science Education</i> . Dordrecht: Springer. 6. Cabot, L.H. (2008). <i>Transforming teacher knowledge: Modeling instruction in physics</i> . PhD thesis, University of Washington. 7. Kircher, E., Girwidz, R., Haeussler, P. (2009). <i>Physikdidaktik: Theorie und Praxis</i> . Berlin: Springer			Assessment method		Points	Threshold
			1.	Partial exams	20	11
			2.	Seminar papers/projects	60	33
			3	Final exam	20	11
			4.			
Total		100	55			