

Course guide 240EI033 - Technological Innovation

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Unit in charge: Barcelona East School of Engineering
Teaching unit: 732 - OE - Department of Management.

Degree: Academic year: 2025 ECTS Credits: 3.0

Languages: Catalan

LECTURER

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Others:

DEGREE COMPETENCES TO WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES

Specific:

- 1. Manage the research, development and technological innovation, based on the transfer of technology and property rights and patents
- 2. Manage the Research, Development and Technological Innovation, based on the transfer of technology and property rights and patents.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

MD.1 Dynamic master lecture

MD.2 Conferences

MD.3 Autonomous learning

MD.5 Team work and case-base learning

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT

Lessons are built on a practical knowledge outlining how technology innovation is managed in real companies. The subject covers specifically Innovation Management through acquisition of new technologies and innovations. Additionally, this subject aims to provide the student with the necessary knowledge to deal with management, acquisition and protection of new research-based knowledge and innovations, as the base for ensuring a sustainable competitive advantage for companies in their market.

Specific objectives:

- 1. Identify the dynamics of the innovation processes in its different typologies and components.
- 2. Relate the innovation strategy to the general strategy of the company.
- 3. Understand Innovation Management tools and how to proceed to launch new products and services
- 4. Know how to protect innovation through different mechanisms
- 5. Know the public policy of innovation and the creation of innovation networks

STUDY LOAD

Туре	Hours	Percentage
Hours small group	9,0	12.00
Hours large group	18,0	24.00
Self study	48,0	64.00

Total learning time: 75 h

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1. TECHNOLOGY AND STRATEGY

Description:

Concept and types of technology. New technology trends and their impact in the organizations. Technology life cycle. Technology and strategy in a company.

Specific objectives:

1

Related activities:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Full-or-part-time: 6h Theory classes: 2h Self study: 4h

2. INNOVATION

Description:

Innovation and technology change. The technology innovation process: models.

Invention and innovation. Creativity and innovation. Diffusion of the innovation. Design within a company.

Specific objectives:

1

Related activities:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Full-or-part-time: 12h Theory classes: 4h Practical classes: 2h Self study: 6h

3. INNOVATION AND ORGANIZATIONS

Description:

Main elements and drivers influencing innovation in a company. Innovation in SME?s (Small-Medium Enterprises). R & D department: basic characteristics and organization. Relations of the R & D department.

Specific objectives:

1, 2

Related activities:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Full-or-part-time: 12h Theory classes: 4h Practical classes: 2h Self study: 6h

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4. TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Description:

Purchase and sell of technology. Different methods of technology transfer. Technology alliances. The problem of technology adoption.

Specific objectives:

1, 2

Related activities:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Full-or-part-time: 6h Theory classes: 2h Self study: 4h

5. PROTECTION OF INNOVATION

Description:

Patent and commercial secret. Legal regime to protect inventions and innovations. Protection of distinctive signs. Licensing.

Specific objectives:

3, 4

Related activities:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Full-or-part-time: 6h Theory classes: 2h Self study: 4h

6. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITHIN A TERRITORY

Description:

R&D public programmes and policies. The Catalan framework (ACCIÓ) and the Spanish framework (CDTI). European R&D policies (FEDER, Horitzó 2020, Interreg). Clsters as a tool for competitiveness enhancement.

Specific objectives:

4, 5

Related activities:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Full-or-part-time: 6h Theory classes: 2h Practical classes: 2h Self study: 2h

GRADING SYSTEM

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