34952 - AG - Algebraic Geometry

Coordinating unit: 200 - FME - School of Mathematics and Statistics
Teaching unit: 749 - MAT - Department of Mathematics
Academic year: 2018
Degree: MASTER'S DEGREE IN ADVANCED MATHEMATICS AND MATHEMATICAL ENGINEERING (Syllabus 2010). (Teaching unit Optional)
ECTS credits: 7,5
Teaching languages: English

Teaching staff
Coordinator: JAUME AMOROS TORRENT
Others: Segon quadrimestre:
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Opening hours
Timetable: TBA. You may contact the lecturer through e-mail.

Prior skills
Aquaintance with mathematical computations, both by hand and with a computer, and mathematical reasoning, including proofs.

Requirements
Basic abstract Algebra, Topology and Differential Geometry.

Degree competences to which the subject contributes

Specific:
1. RESEARCH. Read and understand advanced mathematical papers. Use mathematical research techniques to produce and transmit new results.
2. CALCULUS. Obtain (exact or approximate) solutions for these models with the available resources, including computational means.
3. CRITICAL ASSESSMENT. Discuss the validity, scope and relevance of these solutions; present results and defend conclusions.

Transversal:
4. SELF-DIRECTED LEARNING. Detecting gaps in one's knowledge and overcoming them through critical self-appraisal. Choosing the best path for broadening one's knowledge.
5. EFFICIENT ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATION. Communicating verbally and in writing about learning outcomes, thought-building and decision-making. Taking part in debates about issues related to the own field of specialization.
6. THIRD LANGUAGE. Learning a third language, preferably English, to a degree of oral and written fluency that fits in with the future needs of the graduates of each course.
8. EFFECTIVE USE OF INFORMATION RESOURCES. Managing the acquisition, structure, analysis and display of information from the own field of specialization. Taking a critical stance with regard to the results obtained.
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### Teaching methodology

Roughly 50% of the class time will be devoted to the master classes, in which the lecturer will discuss the course topics. The other half of the class time will be structured as a problem class, in which the students will solve in the blackboard problems from a proposed list, based on the course syllabus, and their solutions will be discussed by the class.

### Learning objectives of the subject

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### Study load

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<th>Total learning time: 187h 30m</th>
<th>Hours large group: 60h</th>
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<td>Self study:</td>
<td>127h 30m</td>
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### Content

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<th>Chapter 1: Algebraic equations</th>
<th><strong>Learning time:</strong> 15h</th>
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<td>Theory classes: 6h</td>
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<td>Self study : 9h</td>
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**Description:**
Introduction: how systems of algebraic equations determine ideals in the ring of functions and, in the case of equations over the real or complex numbers, its solutions form manifolds with a given dimension and singularities in their closure.

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<th>Chapter 2: Algebraic varieties</th>
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<th>Chapter 3: Projective varieties</th>
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<th>Chapter 4: Maps and morphisms</th>
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**Description:**
Tangent spaces. Nonsingular points. Smooth maps. Global topology of varieties: fundamental class, degree of morphisms, intersection numbers. Applications: determinantal varieties, grassmanians, parametrizing varieties...

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<th>Chapter 5: Complex analytic varieties</th>
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**Regulations for carrying out activities**

The problem list for participation in problem class will be published at the start of every course unit. Students will prepare these problems at home.

The topics for optional, grade increasing lectures at the end of the course will be proposed around Easter. Students will prepare these lectures at home.

Students who take the final exam will have to do so without any notes, books or material whatsoever.
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Bibliography

Basic:

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Beauville, A.. Complex algebraic surfaces. Cambridge U.P.,