Course syllabus

Teknikstödd kommunikation
Technology Supported Communication

EXTG45, 7,5 credits, G2 (First Cycle)

Valid for: 2017/18
Decided by: PLED C/D
Date of Decision: 2017-04-03

General Information

Elective for: BME4, C4-da, D4
Language of instruction: The course will be given in Swedish

Aim

The course aims to give understanding for possibilities and limitations that arise where a new technology is used.

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

For a passing grade the student must

- be able to explain which possibilities and limitations that arise in communication where a new technology is used
- be able to specify how perceptual, cognitive and communicative aspects affect technology supported communication.

Competences and skills

For a passing grade the student must

- independently be able to analyse authentic situations in technology supported communication and with adequate methods reflect over possibilities and problems.

Judgement and approach

For a passing grade the student must

- show ability to evaluate how new technology is used and how it affects the communication between people.
Contents

The course starts by looking at how we communicate face-to-face; how we transmit our message, how we communicate multimodally (language, gesture and gaze direction), how we create understanding, how we deal with expectations, and how we prevent misunderstandings. The objective of this introduction is to raise the awareness about the richness of face-to-face communication that serves as a comparison basis when we look at technical systems. Form: Lectures, exercises, labs, self-study.

The course continues with a focus on specific types of technically supported communication. In this moment we explore the following questions: What are the particular possibilities and limitations of each technical communication system, when compared to face-to-face communication? How do we compensate for the social aspects of communication (politeness, humour, irony etc)? How do we compensate for the lack of visual communication (gaze direction, posture)? How do we compensate for the lack of voice information (intonation, laughter, undertones)? How do we compensate for the lack of gestural information?

Form: Lectures, exercises, hands-on, analyses, labs, group discussions, self-study.

Examination details

Grading scale: TH - (U,3,4,5) - (Fail, Three, Four, Five)
Assessment: Oral presentation of teamwork and written individual examination.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

Admission

Required prior knowledge: TEK210 Cognition.
The number of participants is limited to: No
The course overlaps following course/s: TEK280

Reading list

• A collection of conference articles, research articles and scientific reports. Texts are provided by the department.

Contact and other information

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