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| TITLE OF THE STUDY COURSE | **Working out research paper** |
| CREDIT POINTS | **1** credit points**1,5** ECTS |  |
| PRELIMINARY KNOWLEDGE | Not needed. |
| SCIENCE SECTOR |  |
| Accumulative counting and assessment. Attendance of contact lessons 30%. Unaided work 50%, discussion 20%. |
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| COURSE ANNOTATION |
| The course introduces to specifics of academic research technique, levels of academic research papers and methods of the work-out. Students are acquainted with requirements for each research paper part and architecture in general. Goals and tasks of research, hypothesis, thesis and the list of literature (standard of bibliography) of the research are explained. Special attention is paid to formulation of problem and the use of method for the problem solving (method of integrative theology).  |
| THE GOAL OF THE STUDY COURSE AND LEARNING OUTCOMES |
| Knowledge and understanding | Knowledge about purposefulness of research and requirements for its workout.  |
| Skills to apply knowledge | Knowledge acquired in this course is used throughout all study process and in workout of research papers on all levels (course paper, presentation, field work report, Diploma work).  |
| Analysis, synthesis and assessment | The course trains logical thinking and requires purposeful research methodology workout following the concept of Latvian Christian Academy.  |
| Communication | Competences for qualitative and purposeful argumentation of views. |
| General skills | Analysis, critical thinking, argumentation of the methodology choice. |
| **COURSE PLAN** |
| **Nr.** | **Topic**  |
|  | Research paper difference from other literature genres contentwise, goals and tasks, in terminology, argumentation etc. Study paper as research. Presentation, course paper, field work report, Diploma work (Bachelor / Master) – different levels and different tasks. |  |
|  | Topicality of research work, goal and tasks. Plan of the research paper. Introduction. |
|  | Research hypothesis, its necessity. Requirements for well qualified proof of hypothesis. Arguments and premises.  |
|  | Formation of the problem. The use of data from sociology and questionnaires. Purposeful organization of sociology. |
|  | The use of diagrams, tables and other illustrative materials in research paper, its design and copyright of the collected material. |
|  | Method. Various methods for the problem solution. Importance of conceptual basis for the problem solution. |
|  | The making of the literature overview: authors, freshness of sources, the use the sources’ conclusions in your work.  |
|  | The so-called scientific apparatus: Thesis, List of literature, Conclusion, Summary. Plagiarism and ethics in academic work. |
|  | Requirements for presentation (PowerPoint): duration, design, procedure of defense etc. Reviewing, questions and answers etc.  |
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| **LITERATURE**Latvijas Kristīgās akadēmijas Metodiskie materiāli studentu pētniecisko darbu izstrādei. Jūrmala, LKrA, 2022. (PDF skat. kursam pievienotajos materiālos.)Atsauču un literatūras saraksta noformēšana. - <https://www.tf.lu.lv/fileadmin/user_upload/lu_portal/projekti/tf/zinas/Atsaucu_lit_saraksta_noformeshana.pdf> Viss par zinātniski pētniecisko darbu izstrādi. - <https://zpd.lv/ka-pareizi-rakstit-zpd.html>  |

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