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<b>Curricular Unit</b>	Introduction to Ergonomics
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Learning Outcomes	The UC Introduction to Ergonomics aims to provide the student an overview of the role of ergonomics science in the actual socio-economic context as well as the understanding of the Ergonomics practice. Learning purposes are:  - To know the historical evolution of ergonomics and state of the art at the national and international settings;  - To understand the needs and importance of ergonomics in the current socio-economic context;  - To know framework of the ergonomist in labor systems;  - To understand the basic stages of ergonomics practice.
Syllabus	1. Concept of Ergonomics 2. Development of Ergonomics - Origin and evolution; - The main currents of Ergonomics 3. Approach to the concept of Ergonomics - Ergonomic Concepts various authors and agencies; - Ergonomics: Science Multi, Inter and Trans-disciplinary; - Key Features Ergonomics: Comfort, safety, health, efficiency and reliability 4. Approach to the concept of Work - Work concept; - Man's position in the work organization; - Perspective of ergonomics about work 5. System Man-Work / Work situation - Concept of system; - System components / work situation; - Types of relationships 6. Ergonomics practice - Ergonomic analysis: areas of ergonomic analysis- socio-technical system; Activity; activity results Ergonomics intervention: areas of ergonomics intervention; classification of ergonomics from the intervention perspective; subject, context and scale of the intervention; - Examples of application contexts of Ergonomics.

## Evaluation

The UC includes two alternative models of evaluation: continuous and final. An ongoing evaluation provides for evaluation tests and one or two practical assignments (records, comments, reviews); The minimum grade admitted by test will be 9.5 values. An average of the two tests has a weight of 70% in the final classification. The minimum mark of the work classification (or the average of the work) is of 9,5 values and has a weight of 30% for a final of classification. This model requires a mandatory attendance in 4/5 of the classes actually taught. Alternatively students can choose the final evaluation that consists of a written examination, covering the whole subject. For an oral access (case by case decision) the student must obtain in the written and practical tests, the minimum grade of 9.5 values.

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