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Curricular Unit	Work Ability Analysis
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Learning Outcomes	Students should: Understand the concepts of workload and work ability and their relationship; Identify the factors that influence the workload and the factors responsible by the Work ability; Know the methods available to measure and assess the work ability/workload in terms of features, advantages and disadvantages; Know the criteria to be taken into account when selecting the methods; Select the appropriate tools to assess the workload; Be able to evaluate/interpret the cost associated with the work activity and propose control strategies.
Syllabus	Distinguish the difference between work ability and workload: Know the factors that influence the workload and the factors that are responsible by work ability level; Understand the perspective of workload used in discipline and used in Ergonomics; Understand the importance of work analysis to the correct interpretation of the workload; Know the different methods used in workload assessment and understand the factors to take into account in its selections; Classify the work in terms of intensity by the knowledge and determination of the operator exposure dose to certain requirements imposed by the tasks; Determine and interpret the cost associated with the tasks realized (real or simulated) by analysis of the results found when applying various methods of assessing workload; Define strategies for optimizing the work conditions, based on data acquired during the application of methods of assessing workload.
Evaluation	The theoretical contents are presented and discussed with support in PowerPoint presentations. The practical component comprises the accomplishment of worksheets (reviews of articles or specific problems resolution corresponding to real/simulated situations). There are two alternative models of evaluation: Continuous assessment, which implies a minimum obligatory presence (4/5 classes taught), the completion of the practical work and the realization of two written tests (with removal of

matter). The final evaluation consists of a written exam (encompassing all matter) and in the realization of a practical work. The theoretical component

has a weight of 70% on the final grade and the practice of 30%.

## **Bibliography**

This Curricular Unit has a personalized support site available for the registered students (password required) in the LMS (Learning Management System - E-learning, FMH) with multiple documents, handouts, exercises, references, links, etc.