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Study programme "Transport"

Main attributes

Title	Transport
Identification code	MDT0
Education classification code	51525
Level and type	Doctoral (Third Cycle) Studies
Higher education study field	Mechanics and Metal Processing, Heat Power Engineering, Heat Technology, and Mechanical Engineering
Head of the study field	Marina Čerpinska
Department responsible	Faculty of Civil and Mechanical Engineering
Head of the study programme	Sergejs Kuzņecovs
Professional classification code	
The type of study programme	Full time
Language	Latvian, English
Accreditation	16.11.2022 - 17.11.2028; Accreditation certificate No 2022/30-A
Volume (credit points)	288.0
Duration of studies (years)	Full time studies - 4,0
Degree or/and qualification to be obtained	Doctor of Science (Ph.D.) in Engineering and Technology
Qualification level to be obtained	The 8th level of European Qualifications Framework (EQF) and Latvian Qualifications Framework (LQF)
Programme prerequisites	Master degree of engineering science in transport or mechanics and mechanical engineering, or comparable education; or master degree of engineering science of transport and traffic or mechanical engineering, or comparable education

Description

Abstract	<p>The study program is a higher level study programme in the field of transport and communication science. The study program is implemented by the Institute of Aeronautics of RTU Faculty of Transport and Mechanical Engineering (FTME). To provide a high quality methodical control over the study programme content and implementation, the study programme is attached to the branch of mechanical engineering and transport. The study programme is implemented in cooperation with other structural units of RTU FTME. The duration of studies is 4 years; the scope of the study programme is 288 CP.</p> <p>The study program envisages the acquisition of theoretical study courses of fundamental nature and specialized study courses of narrow specialization, which are appropriate to the branch, as well as humanities and foreign languages. The contents of study programme study courses are regularly improved by completing the study process with the newest and most effective methods and principles of study process organization. Doctoral students work according to individual work plans developed for each academic year. Pedagogical work is an obligatory part of the plan. To acquire pedagogical skills and experience, the doctoral students of the study programme are involved in the process of teaching by lecturing separate subjects to bachelor students, supervising laboratory, practical and course works, checking and assessing study and examination works.</p> <p>Doctoral students are offered to study abroad for different time periods as a result of which they get additional qualifications of different levels. Study courses of appropriate level and scope, which are acquired abroad, can be equated with and included in the study programme.</p>
Aim	The aim of the study programme is to prepare highly qualified scientists in the field of transport and traffic, specialists for pedagogical and scientific work, who have systemic, analytical, critical and creative thinking and are able to solve the tasks of scientific innovation.
Tasks	<p>The objectives of the study programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- to provide in-depth theoretical knowledge in the fundamental directions of transport and communication branch;- to provide the ability to carry out scientific-research;- to provide the ability to formulate and independently solve scientific problems;- to provide skills for scientific discussions about the work topics and create the ability to enter discussions on other scientific topics of the field;- to provide knowledge about innovative technical methods (training, studying, experience, science, techniques, technology, manufacturing);- to provide knowledge and skills to perform pedagogical work;- to consolidate the knowledge of foreign languages;- to foster scientific research of international significance and performances at international conferences and seminars.

Learning outcomes	<p>Knowledge (knowledge and understanding):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - can prove that they know and understand the most topical scientific theories and facts related to mechanics, engineering and transport and communication, know modern scientific research methodology and methods in the professional field and in relation to other fields of science. <p>Skills (ability to use knowledge, communication, general skills):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - can independently evaluate and select the methods that are appropriate to scientific research into transport and communication or mechanics and engineering; - can provide a new understanding of existing knowledge and its practical application, and help to implement voluminous original research a part of which can reach the level of internationally quoted publications; - can communicate, both orally and in written form, with scientific circles and society in general about their own field of scientific activity, computer simulation and optimization of transport systems functioning, automated methods of designed products optimization, technological methods of vehicle safety improvement, calculation and design methods for vehicle precision modular systems; - can independently upgrade their scientific qualification and carry out scientific projects in the field of transport and engineering with achievements that correspond to the international criteria of the science branch; - can manage research or development tasks at transport systems enterprises, institutions and organizations where wide research knowledge and skills are required. <p>Competence (analysis, synthesis and evaluation):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - can solve important research or innovation tasks of transport systems by promoting independent critical analysis, synthesis and evaluation; - can independently propose a research idea, structure and manage large-scale scientific projects including those on an international scale.
Final/state examination procedure, assessment	At the end of the study programme, a doctoral thesis (dissertation) is defended. The scientific degree of a doctor is possibly awarded for a consistently developed doctoral thesis containing scientifically original, proven results and providing new insights into the specific subfield of sciences. The relevance of the work is assessed by the State Scientific Committee, the qualification commission, experts of the Latvian Science Council, and Doctorates in the relevant field of the science council, taking into account the following criteria: whether the scientific work is completed research with sufficient scientific novelty, appropriate content, and scope, whether modern analysis and data processing methods are used in work, whether there are publications in peer-reviewed international scientific publications, and scientific research results have been discussed at international scientific conferences (seminars). The decision is made by the Promotion Board at a secret ballot.
Description of the future employment	As a result of doctoral studies a student gets knowledge for further pedagogical work in higher education institutions, scientific research institutions and companies.
Special enrollment requirements	English language proficiency equivalent to at least CEFR B2 level.
Opportunity to continue studies	

Courses

No	Code	Name	Credit points
A		Compulsory Study Courses	23.0
A1		General Education Study Courses	23.0
0	BM0232	Design and Analysis of Experiments	8.0
1	BM0891	Transport vehicle design reliability and ecology	15.0
B		Compulsory Elective Study Courses	31.0
B1		Field-Specific Study Courses	31.0
1	BM0248	Modern Technologies of Damage Diagnostics in Transport Machines	8.0
2	BM0903	Traffic Flow Theory	15.0
3	BM0124	Vehicle Crash Mechanics	7.0
4	BM0228	Vehicular Accident Investigation and Reconstruction	8.0
5	BM0227	Dynamics of Vehicle and Road System	8.0
6	BM0108	Vehicle Transmissions and Suspensions	7.0
7	BM0894	Scientific Seminar in Road Transport	9.0
C		Free Elective Study Courses	9.0
E		Final Examination	225.0
1	BM0912	Research Work	225.0
A		Compulsory Study Courses	23.0
A1		General Education Study Courses	23.0
0	BM0911	Application of Mass Service Theory Elements to Transport	15.0
1	BM0247	Technology of Transport Logistic System	8.0
B		Compulsory Elective Study Courses	31.0
B1		Field-Specific Study Courses	31.0
1	BM0904	Dynamic Loading of Rolling Stock Units	15.0
2	BM0892	Horizontal Dynamic of Rolling Stock	15.0
3	BM0129	Dynamics of Locomotive Traction Drive	7.0
4	BM0242	Vibroacoustic diagnostics of rolling stock	8.0
5	BM0895	Rail Track Safety and its Management	15.0
6	BM0246	Rail Track Calculation	8.0
7	BM0890	Analysis of Railway Stations and Divisions Interaction	15.0
8	BM0123	Statistical Theory of Train Traffic Safety	7.0
9	BM0126	Train Flow Optimization	7.0
10	BM0232	Design and Analysis of Experiments	8.0
11	BM0226	Computer Design Systems in Transportation	5.0
12	BM0893	Design and Analysis of Engineering Experiments	3.0
13	BM0909	Scientific Seminars	6.0
14	DE0904	Patents	3.0
15	DE0905	Supervising of Scientific Project	3.0
C		Free Elective Study Courses	9.0
E		Final Examination	225.0
1	BM0901	Research Work	225.0
A		Compulsory Study Courses	23.0
A1		General Education Study Courses	23.0
1	BM0140	Computer mathematics for aviation transport problem solving	7.0
2	BM0229	Mathematical rationale for aviation transport maintenance	8.0
3	BM0249	Experimental design and statistical treatment of experimental data	8.0
B		Compulsory Elective Study Courses	31.0
B1		Field-Specific Study Courses	31.0
1	BM0234	Fracture Mechanics of Composite Materials	8.0
2	BM0915	Fatigue, Corrosion and Wear of Airframe Structures	15.0
3	BM0902	Technical Diagnostics and Nondestructive Methods of Control	15.0
4	BM0235	Computer Methods of Structural Calculation	8.0
5	BM0231	Computer Experiments and Simulation in Aerodynamics	8.0
6	BM0914	Dynamics, Strength and Fatigue Durability of Aviation Structures	15.0
7	BM0899	Structure Endurance of Composite Materials	15.0
8	BM0900	Simulation and Calculation of Characteristics of Heat Engines	15.0
9	BM0141	Loads, Resources, Survivability	7.0
10	BM0115	Management of Maintenance Processes	7.0
11	BM0908	Active methods of the flights safety ensuring	15.0

12	BM0917	Probability Failure Models	15.0
13	BM0913	Scientific Seminar	9.0
C		Free Elective Study Courses	9.0
E		Final Examination	225.0
1	BM0896	Research Work	225.0
2	BM0920	Research Work	225.0
3	BM0918	Research Work	225.0
4	BM0919	Doctoral thesis	225.0
A		Compulsory Study Courses	23.0
A1		General Education Study Courses	23.0
1	BM0910	Vehicle Maintenance Reliability	6.0
2	BM0237	Logistics Systems in Transportation	8.0
3	BM0906	Computer Analysis and Calculation of Operational Characteristics of Transport Machines	9.0
B		Compulsory Elective Study Courses	31.0
B1		Field-Specific Study Courses	31.0
1	BM0144	Computer Simulation and Optimization of Transportation Systems Functioning	7.0
2	BM0145	Computer Analysis of Damaged Construction Dynamics	7.0
3	BM0233	Computer Simulation and Calculation of Engineering Problems of Hydro-gas-thermodynamics	8.0
4	BM0916	Scientific Seminar	9.0
5	DE0905	Supervising of Scientific Project	3.0
6	BM0898	Fundamentals of Research	3.0
7	DE0904	Patents	3.0
C		Free Elective Study Courses	9.0
E		Final Examination	225.0
1	BM0897	Research Work	225.0
2	BM0905	Doctoral Thesis	225.0
3	BM0907	Research Work	225.0