SYLLABUS

1. Program data

1.1 Higher education institution	Technical University of Cluj-Napoca
1.2 Faculty	Road Vehicles, Mechatronics and Mechanics
1.3 Department	Road Vehicles and Transport
1.4 Field of study	Automotive Engineering
1.5 Study cycle	Master's Degree
1.6 Study program / Qualification	Advanced Techniques in Automotive Engineering (English) /Engineer
1.7 Form of education	IF – full-time education

2. Data about the discipline

2.1 Name of the discipline	Research Activity 3			Code of Discipline	18.00
2.2 Course holder					
2.3 Head of seminar/laboratory/project/practical activities					
2.4 Year of study	2	2.5 Semester	1	2.6 Type of Assessment	C
2.7 Discipline regime	Formative category				DA
	Optionality				DOB

3. Total estimated time

3.1 Number of hours per week	13	of which:	3.2 Lecture	0	3.3 Seminary	0	3.3 Laboratory	0	3.3 Project	0	3.3 Practice	13
3.4 Number of hours per semester	182	of which:	3.5 Lecture	0	3.6 Seminary	0	3.6 Laboratory	0	3.6 Project	0	3.3 Practice	182

3.7 Distribution of time (hours per semester) for individual study and assessment:	
(a) Assessment	2
(b) Studying according to the textbook, course material, bibliography and notes	-
(c) Additional documentation in the library, on specialized electronic platforms and in the field	16
(d) Preparation of seminars / laboratories, assignments, papers, portfolios and essays	-
(e) Tutoring	-
(f) Other activities	-
3.8 Total hours of individual study and assessment (sum of (3.7(a)…3.7(f))	18
3.9 Total hours per semester (3.4+3.8)	200
3.10 Number of credits	8

4. Preconditions (where applicable)

4.1 Curriculum	
4.2 Skills	

5. Conditions (where applicable)

5.1. Lecture delivery	
5.2. Seminar / laboratory / project delivery	

6. Specific skills acquired

Professional skills	Be able to draw up a research plan; To carry out documentation using an indexed international database (SCOPUS); Develop the main chapters of a research paper.
Transversal skills	Applying multidisciplinary teamwork and multidisciplinary work techniques on different hierarchical levels within working groups - specific project management; Appropriate use of effective learning methods and techniques; adequate use of information and oral and written communication.

7. Expected learning outcomes

Knowledge	The student/graduate demonstrates advanced knowledge of research methodologies and modern automotive engineering technologies, integrating concepts related to physical and virtual modeling, thermal management, vehicle structures, ADAS, and automated driving systems. The student/graduate understands the scientific principles and engineering methods required for conducting independent research and developing innovative solutions in advanced automotive engineering.
Skills	The student/graduate independently plans, conducts, and documents an original research project by integrating theoretical knowledge, experimental methods, simulation tools, and engineering analysis techniques. The student/graduate critically evaluates research results, validates engineering solutions, and prepares scientific and technical documentation in accordance with academic and professional standards.
Responsibility and autonomy	The student/graduate independently manages a complex research activity, demonstrating scientific integrity, professional responsibility, and ethical conduct throughout all stages of the research process. The student/graduate assumes responsibility for the originality, quality, and reliability of the obtained results, communicates research outcomes effectively, and collaborates professionally within multidisciplinary research teams.

8. The objectives of the discipline (based on the grid of specific competencies acquired)

8.1 General objective of the discipline	Acquiring knowledge about research
8.2 Specific objectives	Elaboration of the main chapters of a research paper; Be familiar with Internet browsing tools; Acquiring bibliographic search tools in international databases

9. Content

9.1 Lecture	**Hrs.**	**Teaching methods**	**Observation**

9.2 Seminar / laboratory / project / practice	**Hrs.**	**Teaching methods**	**Observation**
1. Establishing the theme of the dissertation project.	2	Practical exercises, demonstrations, modeling, and	
2. Establish the main chapters.	2		
3. Documentation on the theme of dissertation	78		
4. Making a synthesis of bibliographic documentation.	100		

9.2 Seminar / laboratory / project / practice	Hrs.	Teaching methods	Observation
		computer-aided simulation.	
Bibliography: 1. 5 titles, established together with the tutor			

10. Correlating the content of the discipline with the expectations of representatives of the epistemic community, professional associations and representative employers in the field related to the program

The content of the discipline is in line with the concerns of the companies in the field and the current directions of scientific research.

11. Evaluation

Activity	11.1 Assessment criteria	11.2 Assessment methods	11.3 Weight of final grade
11.4 Lecture	-	-	-
11.5 Seminar/Laboratory /Project / Practice	The exam consists of checking the synthesis report of the activities carried out	Oral and written evaluation	100%
11.6 Minimum Performance Standard For the synthesis report of the activities carried out, minimum grade 5(five)			

Date of completion	Responsible	Grade, Title, Second name First NAME	Signature
09.07.2026	Lecture		
	Teachers in charge of application (masters program responsible)	*Prof. PhD. Eng. Bogdan VARGA*	

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