

# EP1200 Introduction to Computing Systems Engineering 6.0 credits

#### Introduktion till datorsystemteknik

This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, course syllabus.

If the course is discontinued, students may request to be examined during the following two academic years

#### **Establishment**

Course syllabus for EP1200 valid from Spring 2014

## **Grading scale**

A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

## **Education cycle**

First cycle

## Main field of study

**Electrical Engineering** 

# Specific prerequisites

# Language of instruction

The language of instruction is specified in the course offering information in the course catalogue.

## Intended learning outcomes

After the course the students will be able to:

- discuss the fundamental concepts of how to build a modern computer from the ground up
- construct a computing system, by building key components themself
- to use software emulation tool for computer architecture design

#### **Course contents**

Architecture, elements and concepts of modern computing systems and how they relate to each other. The content will include:

- computer architecture
- machine language
- assembler and higher level programming languages
- compilers
- operating systems
- virtual machine

## Disposition

Both Swedish and English will be used for instruction.

#### **Course literature**

Noam Nisan and Shimon Schocken, The Elements Of Computing Systems:

Building a Modern Computer from First Principles

#### **Examination**

- LAB1 Laboratory Work, 3.0 credits, grading scale: P, F
- TEN1 Examination, 3.0 credits, grading scale: A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

Based on recommendation from KTH's coordinator for disabilities, the examiner will decide how to adapt an examination for students with documented disability.

The examiner may apply another examination format when re-examining individual students.

## Ethical approach

- All members of a group are responsible for the group's work.
- In any assessment, every student shall honestly disclose any help received and sources used.
- In an oral assessment, every student shall be able to present and answer questions about the entire assignment and solution.