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CS-E4920 Portfolio in Software and Service Engineering

Module 1 - Contact Session I, 29th Aug 2023



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Module 1: START (2cr, period I-II)

- analyzing the job market and planning your studies
- networking with the other new SSE students

Module 2: WORK (2cr, period IV)

- constructing a learning portfolio
- constructing/updating a LinkedIn profile (or CV) and promoting it for some company

Module 3: PREPARE (1cr, period V)

- preparing for the Master's Thesis in SSE

Passing the modules

- 1-4 contact sessions (CS) and 3-5 tasks
- all contact sessions and tasks are obligatory to pass the module

Each module can be taken individually or accumulated up to 5cr over several years.

Register in SISU now, or later by e-mail to the teacher.

Introduction to Module 1

Module 1 – Schedule

Contact session I: 29 Aug, 12:15-16:00 @ Y307a, Otakaari 1

- Orientation week event for the new SSE students

Task 1: Analysis of open job positions: DL 2 Oct, 13:00

Contact session II: 3 Oct, 14:15-16 @ AS4

- Skills and knowledge team work based on Task 1
- Experiences from studying SSE and work life, N.N.

Task 2: Interview in a company: DL 30 Oct, 13:00

Task 3: Official study plan: DL 30 Oct, 13:00

Contact session III: 31 Oct, 14:15-16 @ AS4

- Presentations of Task 2 in several parallel sessions
- Career paths of SSE students

Task 4: Visit SSE Coffee Room: DL 20 Nov, 23:59

- Mo 9.10. 12:00-12:45, or
- Mo 13.11. 12:00-12:45

Task 5: Reflection: DL 20 Nov, 23:59

Module 1 – Tasks 1 & 2

Tasks 1 & 2 are done in pairs.

Finding a pair: here today /
course's google sheet / SSE
2023 channel, ...

Task 1: Analyze about 10 job positions in the field of SSE.

- What kinds of positions, companies, domains? What skills and knowledge they are requiring?
- **Write a report** and discuss your findings in CS2

Task 2: Call a company with an open position and arrange a f-2-f (or remote) interview.

- Required skills and knowledge, differences between average and outstanding applicants, recruitment process, concrete job description
- **Prepare a presentation** for CS3

Start scheduling the
interview several weeks
before the task DL!

Module 1 – Task 3

Task 3: Official study plan

- Start drafting your plan immediately
- Ask any questions regarding the tracks today
- Make the official version of the plan in SISU

Module 1 – Task 4: Visit the SSE Coffee Room

- Discussing with the SSE teachers and other SSE students
- In CS building A2-corridor Coffee room
- Schedule
 - Mo 9.10. 12:00-12:45
 - Mo 13.11. 12:00-12:45
 - you can join anytime during the scheduled time
- **Task 4**
 - Prepare a question(s) about the SSE studies
 - Visit at least one of the sessions
 - **Write a very brief report**

How to open the locked doors:
<https://www.aalto.fi/en/service/s/how-to-get-an-access-token-and-access-rights>

Module 1 – Task 5

Task 5: Reflection

- Based on what you learned, reflect on the following:
 - Where do you want to see yourself in 5 years after graduation?
 - Have your thoughts crystallized or changed?
 - How can your studies and any other means support getting there?
 - Do you need more support for planning your studies? What kind of support in particular?
 - Did you find this module useful and/or how would you improve it?
- **Write a 1-page report**