

Programmable Web Project

Course Description

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Course goal

This course aims to provide adequate knowledge to design, implement, test and document a Web API.

Learning outcomes (I)

- Understand what a Web API is and learn different Web API architectures.
- Learn how to design and implement a Web API following REST architectural style principles using existing web frameworks.
- Understand *hypermedia* concept and how it can be used to build Web APIs.

Learning outcomes (II)

- Learn how to write unit and functional tests to find errors in implemented APIs.
- Know different software tools to document Web APIs
- Learn how to implement simple software applications that make use of the APIs (clients).

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[Translation] Programmable web projects (1) Introduction to web development

Written at the beginning: This translation is from the Programmable web project of Ivan Sanchez University of Oulu, Finland. The translation is shared by three exchange students at the University of Oulu. If there is any improper wording or any inappropriateness, please give pointers to the comments in the comments. The original course is [programmable-web-project](#). The exercises in the course were originally uploaded and automatically checked, but the school account is required to log in to select courses, and share the answers directly here.

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Course implementation

Practical approach

- **Project work:** Students design, document, implement and test a RESTful Web API.
 - Different deadlines with intermediate feedback from course staff
- Lecture at the beginning of the course provides the theoretical background
- Exercises provides necessary practical knowledge to perform required tasks (workflow, toolchain, architecture...)

Course implementation

Presential course

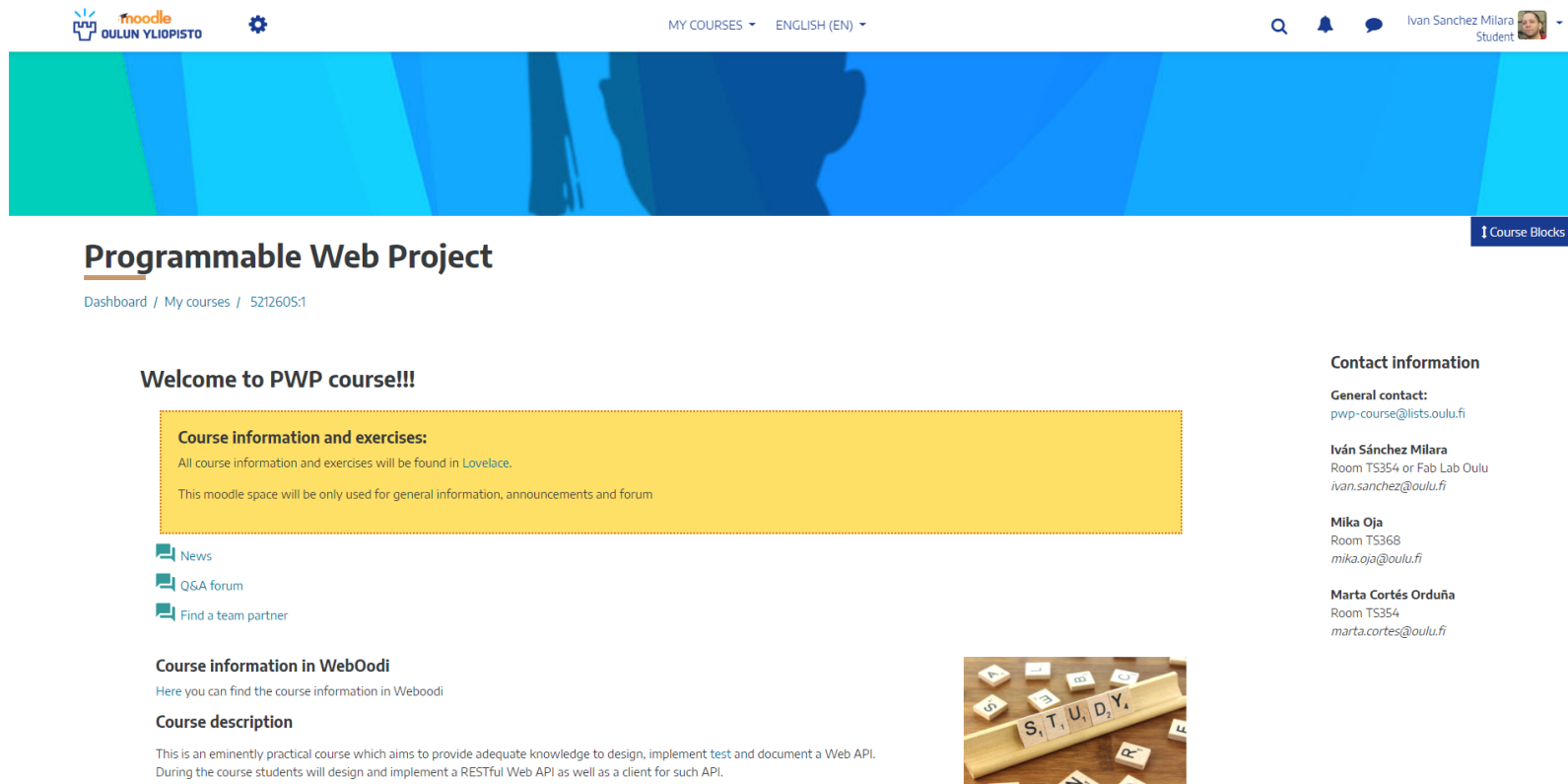
- For University of Oulu students
- Work in teams (3 people)
- Meeting with assistants in person

Online course

- For students from other universities
- Individual work
 - Less strict requirements
- Meeting with assistants via videoconference
 - At least 2 meetings.

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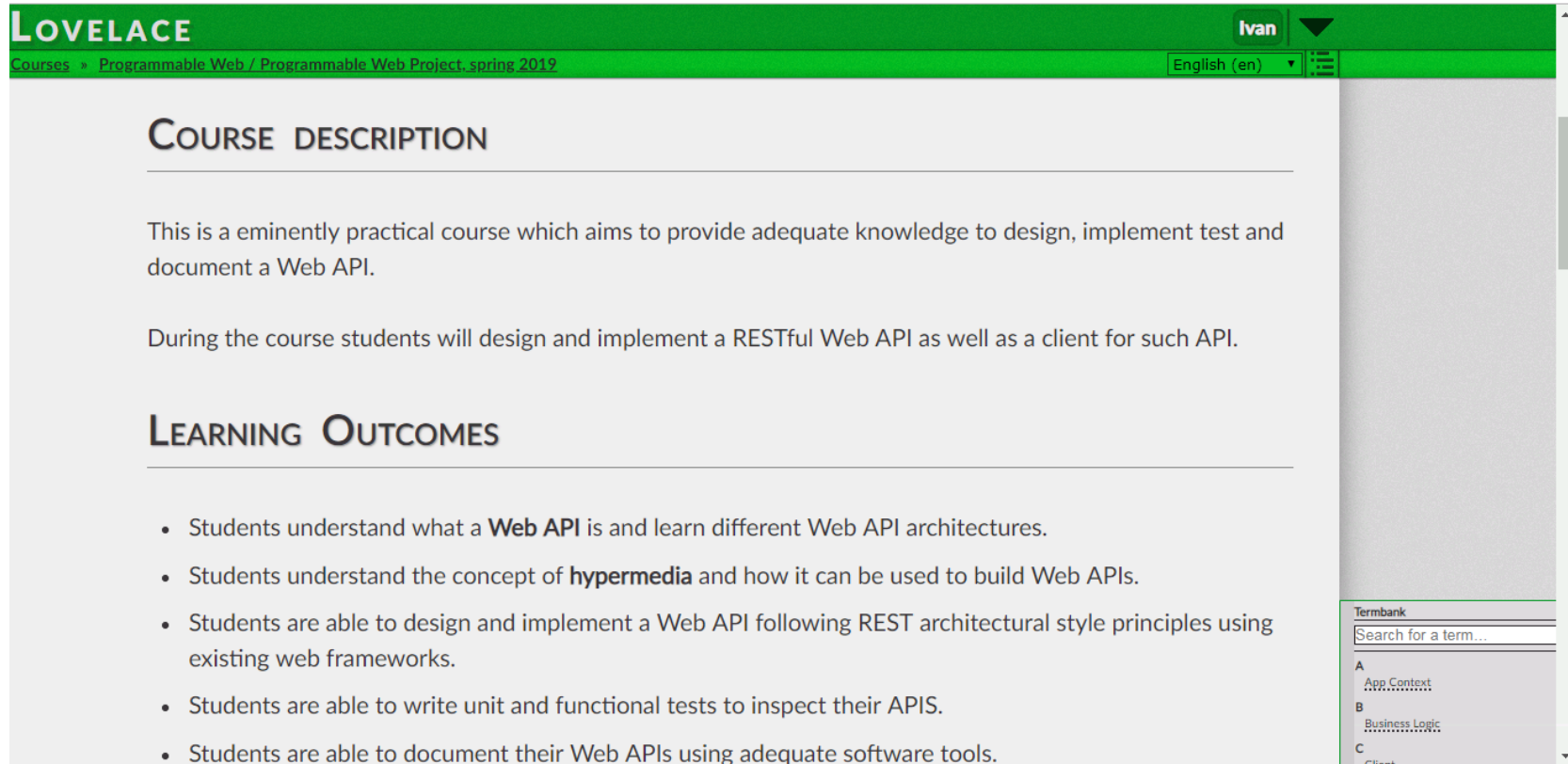
Platforms. Moodle.



The screenshot shows the Moodle course interface for 'Programmable Web Project'. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Moodle logo, 'OULUN YLIOPISTO', a settings gear, 'MY COURSES', 'ENGLISH (EN)', a search icon, a notification bell, a chat icon, and a user profile for 'Ivan Sanchez Milara Student'. Below the navigation bar is a large blue banner with a silhouette of a person. The course title 'Programmable Web Project' is displayed in a large, bold font, with a 'Course Blocks' button to its right. Below the title, a breadcrumb trail reads 'Dashboard / My courses / 5212605:1'. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a 'Welcome to PWP course!!!' message, a yellow box with 'Course information and exercises' (stating that all information will be found in Lovelace and that the Moodle space is for general information, announcements, and forum), and a list of links: 'News', 'Q&A forum', and 'Find a team partner'. Below these links is a section for 'Course information in WebOodi' (with a link to find course information) and a 'Course description' (stating the course is practical, aims to provide knowledge for designing, implementing, and documenting a Web API, and that students will design and implement a RESTful Web API and a client for it). The right column contains 'Contact information' for three people: 'General contact' (pwp-course@lists oulu.fi), 'Iván Sánchez Milara' (Room TS354 or Fab Lab Oulu, ivan.sanchez@oulu.fi), 'Mika Oja' (Room TS368, mika.oja@oulu.fi), and 'Marta Cortés Orduña' (Room TS354, marta.cortes@oulu.fi). A small image of wooden blocks spelling 'STUDY' is also visible.

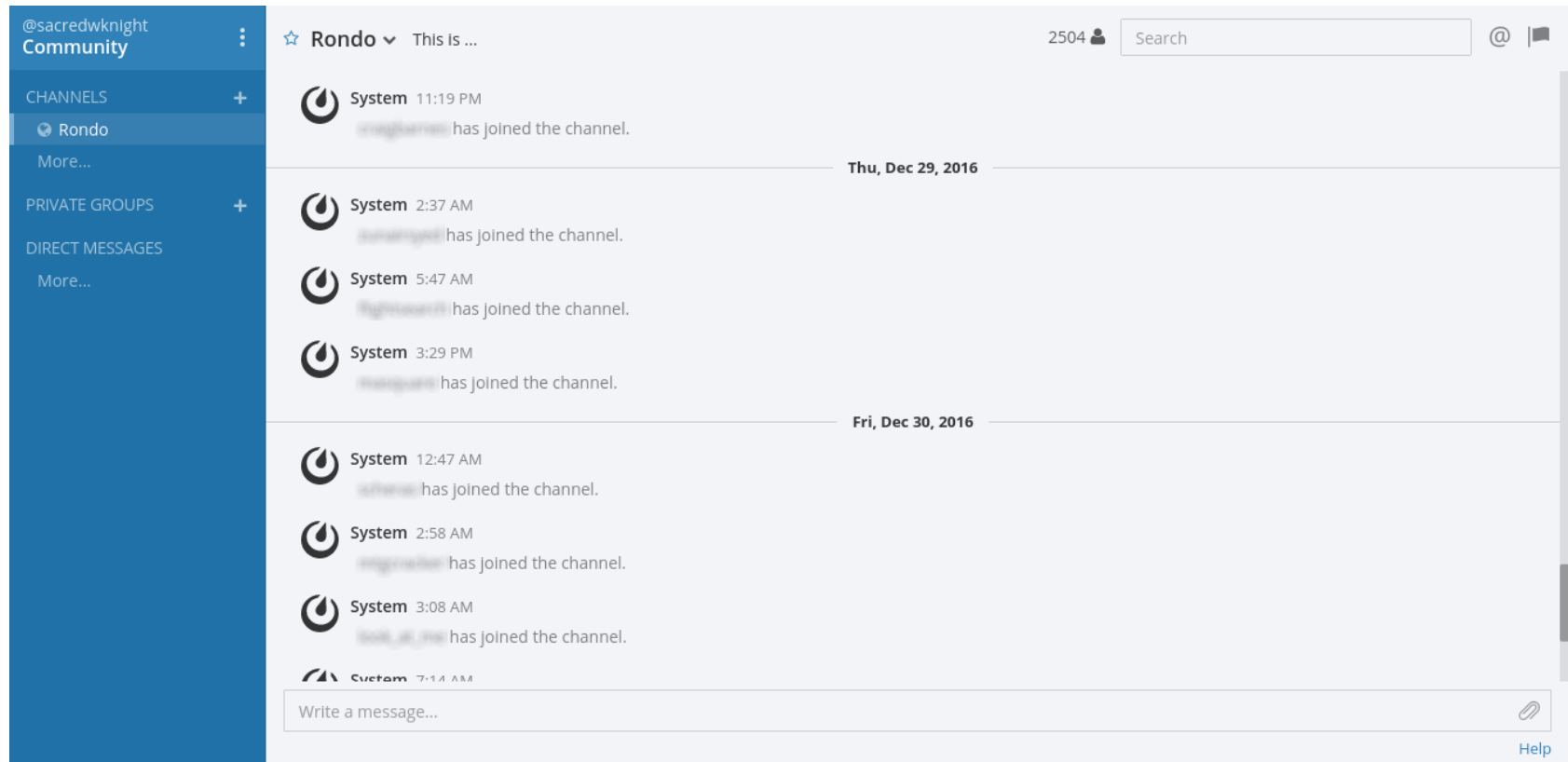
- Placeholder for general course information
- Group registration
- Announcements
- Forum

Platforms. LOVELACE

The screenshot shows the LOVELACE web application interface. At the top is a green header bar with the 'LOVELACE' logo on the left, the user name 'Ivan' in the center, and a language dropdown set to 'English (en)' on the right. Below the header, a breadcrumb trail reads 'Courses > Programmable Web / Programmable Web Project, spring 2019'. The main content area is titled 'COURSE DESCRIPTION' and contains two paragraphs: 'This is a eminently practical course which aims to provide adequate knowledge to design, implement test and document a Web API.' and 'During the course students will design and implement a RESTful Web API as well as a client for such API.' Below this is the 'LEARNING OUTCOMES' section, which lists five bullet points: understanding Web API architectures, understanding hypermedia, designing RESTful APIs, writing unit and functional tests, and documenting APIs. On the right side of the page, there is a vertical sidebar with a 'Termbank' section containing a search bar and a list of terms: 'A App Context', 'B Business Logic', and 'C Client'.

- Course documentation
- Exercises

Platforms. Mattermost



- Instant communication
- Discussion

Platforms. Github / Gitlab



GitHub

<https://github.com/>



GitLab

<https://about.gitlab.com/>

- Project documentation
- Project code
- Meeting notes

Lecture

4 hours lecture (2+2 hours)

Monday:

- Programmable Web
 - Definition and concepts
- Technologies for the Programmable Web
 - Databases
 - HTTP
 - Representation format: JSON, XML and Hypermedia
 - Web Clients
- Services and APIs

Wednesday:

- RESTful Web APIs and Hypermedia
- Creating RESTful Web services

Exercises (I)

- 5 mandatory exercises (TS135 or TS137)
 - **Schedule in Weboodi**
- Guided lab sessions take 2 hour 45 min
 - Aprox 20 min of theoretical presentation followed by guided exercise.
 - **Individual deliverable but can be done (and we encourage to be done) collaboratively**
 - Students might need extra time to complete exercise (outside lab schedule)
 - Material will be provided beforehand through Lovelace

Exercises (II)

- Exercise 0. Project Work Presentation.
 - Project Work requirements explained in detail
 - **READ PROJECT WORK ASSIGNMENT BEFOREHAND**
 - Voluntary: introduction to GIT.
- Exercise 1: Introduction to Web Development.
- Exercise 2: API design and documentation.
- Exercise 3: Implemententig REST APIs with Flask.
- Exercise 4: Implementing Hypermedia Clients

Project Work in Brief (I)

- The project must be done in **groups of three people**.
 - **BE ACTIVE IN THE SEARCH OF A PARTNER**
 - Use the Mattermost course channel or the Moodle Find a Partner forum
- Detailed instructions in the Exercise 0 and Project Work Assignment (Lovelace)
- **Language: English**

Project Work in Brief (II)

OPTION 1: Deadlines

- The project is divided in **6 deadlines**
- Meeting with course staff after deadlines 1-4
- Students **attend guided exercise sessions** and complete the exercise before deadline.
- Missing one deadline -> automatically move to option 2

OPTION 2:

Final deliverable

- All the project content is delivered by the **final deadline**
 - **One intermediate meeting with assistants is required**
- Students **MUST** complete the exercises by themselves.
 - **No deadline for the exercises**
 - No attendance to the guided session required

Project Work in Brief (III)

OPTION 1: Deadlines

- Due to course schedule,
deadlines are very tight
 - Do not leave the work for the last minute !!!
 - Deadline 3 – 5 require more work than others
- **Everybody who has finished the course has also passed**

OPTION 2: Final deliverable

- DROPPING RATE HIGHER THAN DEADLINES:
 - **45 % vs 20%** (2015)
 - **42% vs 17%**(2017)
 - **73% vs 21%** (2020)
- RECOMMENDED only for experimented programmers and people who is working

Project Work in Brief (IV)

Online version of the course

- Similar requirements than Option II (Final Deliverable)
- Individual work
- Meeting with assistants via videoconference

Major Deadlines

- **Deadline 0** (26th Jan) : FOR ALL STUDENTS

- Register the project topic (Registration form in Moodle-> Topic registration)
- INFO REQUIRED: (1) project work title, (2) project work documentation link, (3) team members information (4) Deliverable option

Welcome to PWP course!!!

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 Topic registration

- **Deadline 1:** RESTful API introduction (02.02.2020)
- **Deadline 2:** Database design and implementation (16.02.2020)
- **Deadline 3:** RESTful API Design (08.03.2020)
- **Deadline 4:** RESTful API implementation (05.04.2020)
- **Deadline 5:** Client design and implementation (26.04.2020)
- **Deadline 6:** Final Deliverable (07.05.2020)

Evaluation (I)

- The grade is determined mainly based on the project work
 - Both design report and software generated will be considered.
 - Project template has detailed information of how we grade each section.
- The exercises returned by students have also influence in the final grade
- Initiative and participation are also considered
- Extra points can be obtained doing some extra work (see the document "Project Work Assignment").

Plagiarism will not be tolerated!
See "Project Work Assignment" for more information.

Evaluation (II)

Project Work Topic	Deadlines	Points (out of 100) [*]
RESTful API description	D1	8
Database design and implementation	D2	10
RESTful API design	D3	25
RESTful API implementation	D4	18
Client design and implementation	D5	15.5
Analysis	D6	5.5
Project management	-	3
Exercises, meeting and participation	-	15

* NOT DEFINITIVE

- The final grade is obtained adding up the points of each deliverable.
 - Improving the deliverable by the final deadline => Increase the grade
- More accurate grading information will be published later in Lovelace

Evaluation (III)

Points (out of 100)	Final grade
< 51	0
51 - 60	1
61- 70	2
71 - 80	3
81 -90	4
> 90	5

Material and resources.

Bibliography.

- Books:
 - Leonard Richardson, Mike Amundsen, Sam Ruby. *RESTful Web APIs*. O'Reilly Media, 2013. ISBN: 978-1-4493-5806-8
 - Leonard Richardson & Sam Ruby, *RESTful Web Services*. O'Reilly Media 2007. ISBN: 978-0-596-52926-0. Free available at <http://restfulwebapis.org/rws.html>

An electronic version of the books are accessible through Oulu University Library catalogue.

- **Lecture and lab slides.**
- Extra study material will be provided during the course through Lovelace.

PLEASE USE THE BIBLIOGRPAHY

WHERE TO START

- Register in WebOodi -> You will get access to Moodle
- Register in Lovelace (<https://lovelace oulu.fi/>)
Programmable Web Project, spring 2020
- Look for partners, select a topic and register the group information at Moodle:

Deadline 0: 26th January

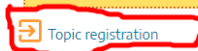
Only students meeting this deadline can participate in the course.

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- Mattermost chat channel:

You will receive an email with the information

Assistants will be available during office hours

- Moodle forum:

Communication with other students