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| Module Title: | Systems Analysis, Design & Testing |
| Credits: | 10 |
| NFQ Level: | 6 |
| Module Delivered In | No Programmes |
| Teaching & Learning Strategies: | Mix of lectures, tutorials and workshops. Formative and summative assessments. A suitable case study will be selected and used throughout the course. |
| Module Aim: | To introduce students to the principles and practice of object-oriented systems analysis, design and testing. |
| Learning Outcomes | |
| <i>On successful completion of this module the learner should be able to:</i> | |
| LO1 | Understand the principal software development processes. |
| LO2 | Apply objected-oriented techniques to the analysis and design of a software system. |
| LO3 | Use the principal UML diagramming techniques. |
| LO4 | Understand and apply software testing techniques. |
| Pre-requisite learning | |
| Module Recommendations <i>This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.</i> | |
| No recommendations listed | |
| Incompatible Modules <i>These are modules which have learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.</i> | |
| No incompatible modules listed | |
| Co-requisite Modules | |
| No Co-requisite modules listed | |
| Requirements <i>This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.</i> | |
| No requirements listed | |

Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

Approaches to Systems Analysis & Design

Overview - structured, object-oriented, soft system, other.

Object Oriented Concepts

Objects. Classes. Relationships - association, aggregation, inheritance. Encapsulation. Polymorphism.

Software Development Processes

Waterfall vs Agile. Unified Process - iterative, evolutionary development; phases - inception, elaboration, construction, transition.

Requirements

Fact-finding techniques - functional & non-functional requirements, FURPS+. Use Cases - brief and detailed formats. Use case diagrams. Tool (e.g. UMLet). System sequence diagrams. Collaboration diagrams. Domain Models - domain classes, attributes and associations. CRC cards. Animate using object diagrams.

Design

Design class diagrams. Sequence diagrams. System architecture - layering, partitioning. File systems - organisation, access and file types. Database management systems - relational, object, object-relational. User interface design - characteristics, usability, style guides.

Implementation

System testing. Data conversion. User manuals. Training. Changeover strategies - direct, parallel, phased, pilot.

Review & Maintenance

System review. Evaluation Report. Amendment procedures.

Testing

White-box and black-box methods. Levels of testing - unit, integration, system, acceptance. Test plans, schedules & reports. Testing tools.

| Assessment Breakdown | % |
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| Continuous Assessment | 40.00% |
| End of Module Formal Examination | 60.00% |

Continuous Assessment

| Assessment Type | Assessment Description | Outcome addressed | % of total | Assessment Date |
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| Examination | Individual Written Exam | 1,2 | 10.00 | Week 6 |
| Case Studies | Take-home Case Study Exercise | 2,3 | 5.00 | Week 12 |
| Examination | Individual written exam | 3,4 | 10.00 | Week 20 |
| Open-book Examination | Test Case Design | 4 | 10.00 | Week 25 |
| Performance Evaluation | Active Participation | 1,2,3,4 | 5.00 | Every Week |

No Project

No Practical

End of Module Formal Examination

| Assessment Type | Assessment Description | Outcome addressed | % of total | Assessment Date |
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| Formal Exam | Terminal Examination | 1,2,4 | 60.00 | End-of-Semester |

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Module Workload

| Workload: Full Time | | |
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| <i>Workload Type</i> | <i>Frequency</i> | <i>Average Weekly Learner Workload</i> |
| Lecturer Supervised Learning | 30 Weeks per Stage | 3.00 |
| Estimated Learner Hours | 30 Weeks per Stage | 3.67 |
| Total Hours | | 200.00 |

