

# ACCG822

# **Information Systems in Business**

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Dept of Accounting & Corporate Governance

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### **General Information**

Unit convenor and teaching staff

**Unit Convenor** 

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Credit points

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Prerequisites

ACCG611 or admission to MAdvProfAcc or admission to MCorpGvnce prior to 2013

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit enables students to gain an understanding of the implications and impacts of the web revolution based on the basic principles of management information systems. The primary objective of this unit is to understand the concept of the digital economy, the impact business pressures play on the organisation and their responses and adaptations to these pressures and the role technology plays both inside and outside the organisation in the context of globalisation. The focus is on the creation of business value by enabling business processes through the use of information and communications technologies (ICTs).

### Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates

# **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

Critically evaluate information technology used to facilitate competitiveness, effectiveness and profitability in complex and diverse organisations (including emerging trends).

Compare disruptive and sustaining technologies and the implications of these technologies for business. Critique Web 2.0, Web 3.0 and the issues relating to e-

Business.

Evaluate systems development methodologies and project management techniques for achieving successful business outcomes.

Assess the implications of supply chain management, customer relationship management, enterprise and collaboration systems for business.

Appraise decision making and problem solving techniques using data and business intelligence to support management decisions for achieving competitive advantage.

Evaluate the ethical and security implications of information technology in the context of information technology trends such as cloud computing and transborder data flow in business.

### **Assessment Tasks**

Name	Weighting	Due
Assessed Coursework	30%	Weekly (10 weeks)
Report	30%	Week 7 (24th April)
Final Exam	40%	Examination Period

### **Assessed Coursework**

Due: Weekly (10 weeks)

Weighting: 30%

A variety of activities will be assigned each week from weeks 3 to 12.

#### **Submission**

Each activity will be submitted online through iLearn. Each activity is worth 3% and must be undertaken during the timeframe allocated - students have a week to complete each task. Full details are available on the ACCG822 iLearn webpage.

#### **Extensions**

No extensions will be granted. Students who have not submitted the task prior to the deadline will be awarded a mark of zero (0) for the task, except for cases in which the unit convenor has granted an extension. This will only be in exceptional circumstances. The student must contact the unit convenor within a week of the assessment due date and provide evidence of why the task could not be completed in the time frame allocated for the extension to be considered.

#### **Penalty for Late Submission**

Not applicable

Students must attempt all assessment tasks and achieve an overall mark of fifty (50) percent for coursework to be considered satisfactory.

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### Report

Due: Week 7 (24th April)

Weighting: 30%

The assessment task is to write a fifteen (15) page report with scholarly references that will address a topic relating to robotics (full details are available on iLearn).

#### Submission

All reports will be submitted through Turnitin on iLearn and marked through grademark (the online marking system). Students will receive feedback within two weeks of the report submission through Grademark and Gradebook on the iLearn website.

#### **Extensions**

No extensions will be granted.

#### **Penalty for Late Submission**

Late tasks will be accepted up to 72\* hours after the submission deadline. There will be a deduction of 20%\* of the total available marks made from the total awarded mark for each 24 hour period or part thereof that the submission is late (for example, 25 hours late in submission - 40% penalty). \*This penalty does not apply for cases in which an application for an extension has been approved.

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### Final Exam

Due: Examination Period

Weighting: 40%

A final examination is included as an assessment task for this unit to provide assurance that:

- i) the product belongs to the student and
- ii) the student has attained the knowledge and skills tested in the exam.

A two and a half (2.5) hour final examination for this unit will be held during the University Examination period.

Students must pass the final exam to pass the unit.

#### **Supplementary Exams**

If a Supplementary Examination is granted as a result of the Disruption to Studies Policy the examination will be scheduled as per the Supplementary Examination timetable of the Faculty. Please note that the supplementary examination will be of the similar format as the final examination.

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# **Delivery and Resources**

#### Classes

There is one class per week that will consist of three (3) hours of interactive learning activities that will include lectures, case studies, discussions and in class group work. The timetables portal is available here: http://timetables.mq.edu.au

#### **Textbook**

Baltzan, P, Lynch, K, Blakey, P 2013, *Business Driven Information Systems, 2e McGraw-Hill North Ryde Australia* (ISBN 9781743070550). Available at the Coop Bookshop.

#### **Technology Used**

Course Material is available on the unit webite (<a href="http://ilearn.mq.edu.au">http://ilearn.mq.edu.au</a>) - please note this includes the use of Turnitin. Other technology includes access to the internet to utilise the library website and the use of applications such as word processing software for assignments.

### **Expectations and Workload**

Students are expected to spend 150 hours working on this unit. As a guide a student should spend these approximate amounts of time on each of the following activities:

	Activities	Hours
1	Weekly Seminars (note Good Friday class is cancelled)	36
2	Weekly Assessment Tasks (5 hours per week from weeks 3-13)	50
3	Report	40
4	Readings/self study/preparation for exam	24
	TOTAL	150

### **Unit Schedule**

	Week	Chapter	Topic
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1	1	Competing in the Information Age (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 1)
2	2	Connectivity (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 2)
3	3	e-Business and Mobile Business (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 3)
4	4	Decisions and Processes (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 4)
5	6	Systems Development and Project Management (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 6)
6		Good Friday - no class
		Semester Break
7	11	Ethics, Privacy and Information Security (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 11)
8	7	Enterprise Architecture (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 7)
9	8	Data and business intelligence (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 8)
10	9	Enterprise Information Systems (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 9)
11	10	Enterprise Resource Planning (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 10)
12	12	Future Trends (Baltzan et.al. (2013) chapter 12)
13		Revision

# **Policies and Procedures**

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central. Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic\_honesty/policy.html

Assessment Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html

Grading Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html

Grade Appeal Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/gradeappeal/policy.html

Grievance Management Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance\_management/policy.html

Disruption to Studies Policy <a href="http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\_studies/policy.html">http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\_studies/policy.html</a> The Disruption to Studies Policy is effective from March 3 2014 and replaces the Special Consideration Policy.

In addition, a number of other policies can be found in the <u>Learning and Teaching Category</u> of Policy Central.

### **Student Code of Conduct**

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student\_conduct/

#### Results

Results shown in *iLearn*, or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in <a href="extraction-color: blue}estable in the convention of the color: blue by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in <a href="extraction-color: blue by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in <a href="extraction-color: blue by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University." Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in <a href="extraction-color: blue-by-to-green.">extraction-color: blue by-to-green.</a> For more information visit <a href="extraction-color: blue-by-to-green.">extraction-color: blue by-to-green.</a> For more information visit <a href="extraction-color: blue-by-to-green.">extraction-color: blue-by-to-green.</a> For more information visit <a href="extraction-color: blue-by-to-g

For performance to be considered satisfactory for this unit, students must have submitted all assessment tasks and achieve at least 50 percent of the total internal assessment marks.

### Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <a href="http://students.mq.edu.au/support/">http://students.mq.edu.au/support/</a>

### **Learning Skills**

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.

- Workshops
- StudyWise
- · Academic Integrity Module for Students
- Ask a Learning Adviser

# Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the <u>Disability Service</u> who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

## Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

### IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <a href="http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel">http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel</a>
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When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the <u>Acceptable Use Policy</u>. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

# **Graduate Capabilities**

## PG - Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

Our postgraduates will be capable of utilising and reflecting on prior knowledge and experience, of applying higher level critical thinking skills, and of integrating and synthesising learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments. A characteristic of this form of thinking is the generation of new, professionally oriented knowledge through personal or group-based

critique of practice and theory.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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### Assessment tasks

- · Assessed Coursework
- Report
- Final Exam

# PG - Research and Problem Solving Capability

Our postgraduates will be capable of systematic enquiry; able to use research skills to create new knowledge that can be applied to real world issues, or contribute to a field of study or practice to enhance society. They will be capable of creative questioning, problem finding and problem solving.

This graduate capability is supported by:

### Learning outcomes

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### **Assessment tasks**

Assessed Coursework

Report

### PG - Effective Communication

Our postgraduates will be able to communicate effectively and convey their views to different social, cultural, and professional audiences. They will be able to use a variety of technologically supported media to communicate with empathy using a range of written, spoken or visual formats.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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- · Assessed Coursework
- Report
- Final Exam

# **Changes from Previous Offering**

The unit is similar to the previous offering.

# Research & Practice, Global & Sustainability

This unit addresses global and sustainability issues as direct areas of study and as necessary implications arising from the materials, assessment and academic discussion and debate in classes/seminars. We promote sustainability by developing the ability of students to research and locate information within the information systems domain. We aim to provide students with an opportunity to obtain skills which will benefit them throughout their career.

The unit materials have a reference list at the end of each chapter with all references cited by the author. These provide some guidance to references that could be used to research in depth particular issues.