COMP2750
Applications Modelling and Development
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Department of Computing

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Notice
As part of Phase 3 of our return to campus plan, most units will now run tutorials, seminars and other small group activities on campus, and most will keep an online version available to those students unable to return or those who choose to continue their studies online.

To check the availability of face-to-face activities for your unit, please go to timetable viewer. To check detailed information on unit assessments visit your unit’s iLearn space or consult your unit convenor.
# General Information

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Unit description
This unit is an intermediate unit to deliver a solid foundation in concepts, methods, tools and techniques that organisations use to control the information they use in their day-to-day business, with a particular focus on how computer-based technologies can most effectively contribute to the way business is structured. The units focuses on the fundamental concepts and models of applications development so that they can understand the key processes related to building functioning applications and appreciate the complexity of applications development. The unit emphasises program development and incorporates the software development life cycle, requirements gathering, designing a solution, and implementing and testing a solution in a programming language.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates

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

- **ULO1**: Demonstrate ability to communicate software requirements and designs, clearly and effectively.
- **ULO2**: Practice the key phases of the software development life cycle (SDLC) including requirements engineering, analysis, design, basic development and testing.
- **ULO3**: Demonstrate understanding of alternative SDLC lifecycle models
- **ULO4**: Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and tools needed to successfully design and build an application
- **ULO5**: Integrate an application with a database or other form of persistent storage

General Assessment Information
If you receive special consideration for the final exam, a supplementary exam will be scheduled in the interval between the regular exam period and the start of the next session. By making a special consideration application for the final exam you are declaring yourself available for a resit during the supplementary examination period and will not be eligible for a second special consideration approval based on pre-existing commitments. Please ensure you are familiar with the policy prior to submitting an application. You can check the supplementary exam information page on FSE101 in iLearn (bit.ly/FSESupp) for dates, and approved applicants will receive an individual notification one week prior to the exam with the exact date and time of their supplementary examination.

Late Submission
No extensions will be granted without an approved application for Special Consideration. There will be a deduction of 10% 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 for an assignment worth 10 marks – 20% penalty or 2 marks deducted from the total. No submission will be accepted after solutions have been posted.

**Assessment Tasks**

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**Quizzes**

Assessment Type: Quiz/Test
Indicative Time on Task: 14 hours
Due: **Weeks 4,7,11**
Weighting: **25%**

Quizzes to determine students’ individual strengths, weaknesses, knowledge and skills to develop a baseline of what students know about the topic.

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- Demonstrate understanding of alternative SDLC lifecycle models
- Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and tools needed to successfully design and build an application

**Requirements Gathering and Analysis**

Assessment Type: Case study/analysis
Indicative Time on Task: 20 hours
Due: **Study Break-1**
Weighting: **25%**
This assignment will develop and test your skills in requirements gathering, specification, analysis and modelling.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate ability to communicate software requirements and designs, clearly and effectively.
- Practice the key phases of the software development life cycle (SDLC) including requirements engineering, analysis, design, basic development and testing.
- Demonstrate understanding of alternative SDLC lifecycle models

### Application Design

Assessment Type 1: Design Task  
Indicative Time on Task: 20 hours  
Due: **Week-9**  
Weighting: **25%**

This assignment will develop and test your skills in designing applications for the given case study

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate ability to communicate software requirements and designs, clearly and effectively.
- Practice the key phases of the software development life cycle (SDLC) including requirements engineering, analysis, design, basic development and testing.
- Demonstrate understanding of alternative SDLC lifecycle models
- Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and tools needed to successfully design and build an application
- Integrate an application with a database or other form of persistent storage

### Application Development and Testing

Assessment Type 1: Design Implementation  
Indicative Time on Task: 20 hours  
Due: **Week-13**  
Weighting: **25%**
This assignment will develop and assess your design, development and testing applications for the given case study.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate ability to communicate software requirements and designs, clearly and effectively.
- Practice the key phases of the software development life cycle (SDLC) including requirements engineering, analysis, design, basic development and testing.
- Demonstrate understanding of alternative SDLC lifecycle models
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1 If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- the Learning Skills Unit for academic skills support.

2 Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

**Delivery and Resources**

**CLASSES**

COMP2750 is taught via lectures and SGTAs/Practical Classes.

**Lectures:**

- Lectures are used to introduce new material, provide motivation and context for your study, guide you in what is important to learn and explain more difficult concepts.
- There are 2 hours of lectures per week (This will be a pre-recorded content) with a follow-up class

**SGTAs/Practical Classes:**

- **Note:** Practical Classes commence in Week-2
- These are small group classes which allow you to interact with your peers and with a tutor who has a sound knowledge of the subject. This also gives you a chance to practice your technology skills.
• You will need to enrol and attend the Practical Class that you've enroled in.
• Practical Classes will be providing you with practical experience of design and development processes. The content of the workshop may overlap or sometimes be ahead of the lecture content.
• If your workshop falls on a public holiday, you are expected to attend & participate in another workshop as a makeup class.
• For details of days, times and rooms consult the timetables webpage.

RECOMMENDED TEXTS AND/OR MATERIALS

Textbook
There are no required textbooks for this unit. However, every week you will be provided with lecture notes and references for further reading.

UNIT WEBPAGE AND TECHNOLOGY USED AND REQUIRED

Websites
The web page for this unit can be found at: here.

echo360
Digital recordings of lectures are available. Read instructions here.

Discussion Boards
The unit makes use of discussion boards hosted within ilearn. Please post questions of general interest there (for example, about assessment tasks), they are monitored by the unit staff but students may also provide answers.

FEEDBACK
You have many opportunities to seek and to receive feedback. The feedback that you receive also plays an important role in your learning. Make sure you read the feedback you are given, attend lectures which provide assignment feedback and compare your solution with sample solutions provided. During lecture consultations, you are encouraged to ask the lecturer questions to clarify anything you might not be sure of. You may also arrange to meet with your tutor or the lecturer. Consultation hours will be provided in some of the weeks. Each week, you will be given activities and problems to solve in the workshops. This will at times involve contributing to a group of students and presenting solutions to the class. The solutions provided will help you to understand the material in the unit and prepare you for the work in assignments. You must keep up with these problems every week. Assignments have been specially designed to deliver continuous feedback on your work.

Each week you should:

• Attend lectures, take notes, ask questions
• Attend your practical classes and seek feedback from your tutor on your work
• Read assigned reading material/Watch lecture recording, add to your notes and prepare questions for your lecturer or tutor
• Start working on any assignments immediately after they have been released.

Lecture notes/videos are made available each week but these notes are intended as an outline of the lecture only and are not a substitute for your notes or reading of the other additional material.

**Unit Schedule**

**Tentative teaching schedule, subject to change:**

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<td>Y.Wang</td>
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Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Fitness to Practice Procedure
- Grade Appeal Policy
- Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
- Special Consideration Policy (Note: The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the Student Policy Gateway (https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit Policy Central (https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/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/admin/other-resources/student-conduct

Results

Results published on platform other than eStudent, (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) 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 eStudent. For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

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

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.
• Getting help with your assignment
• Workshops
• StudyWise
• Academic Integrity Module

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

• Subject and Research Guides
• Ask a Librarian

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

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

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

IT Help
For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Changes from Previous Offering
Changes to the Assessments. No final exam in S1, 2021 offering