CO2012 Software Project Management and Professionalism

Credits: 10 Convenor: Dr R. Craggs Semester: 1st

Prerequisites: Essential: CO1003, CO1005, CO1007, CO1019

Lectures:11 hoursClass Test Hours:1 hoursLaboratories:10 hoursIndependent Study:53 hours

Assessment: Coursework: 100%

Subject Knowledge

Aims This module will teach you techniques and technologies to manage and collaborate on a software project.

Learning Outcomes At the end of the module a student should:

- be able to compare traditional and agile approaches to project planning and monitoring.
- be able to explain and undertake the roles of Project Manager, Scrum Master and Product Owner.
- describe the benefits of continuous integration.
- behave professionally on a software project.
- formulate technical problems and their solution in a methodical way;
- research an issue and present their findings in writing in a balanced manner

Methods Curated video content, lectures, classroom activities, worksheets, supervised labs for mini project group work.

Assessment Marked coursework, class test.

Skills

Aims To have the skills required to collaborate on a software project.

Learning Outcomes

- be able to plan a software project using a traditional approach and an agile approach.
- be able to use git version control;
- be able to apply continuous integration to projects and work producively on projects that use it;
- be able to demonstrate what professionalism means in the context of the software industry, and be aware of ethical and legal issues, like the Data Protection Act, likely to affect every professional in the software industry.

Methods Class sessions, labs with worksheets

Assessment Marked coursework, class test

Explanation of Prerequisites It is essential that students have a good working knowledge of Java, up to and including the use of abstract classes and exceptions. No specific knowledge about multimedia data is required. It is beneficial if students taking this module have a very rudimentary understanding of 3 dimensional space and its coordinate geometry.

Module Description This module teaches the techniques required for working in a team on a software project. It provides practice in applying these within lab exercises and a mini-project done in a group.

Syllabus

- 1. Project Planning and Gantt Charts
- 2. Team collaboration on software projects;
- 3. Version control using Git
- 4. Continuous integration
- 5. Agile project planning and monitoring
- 6. The scrum software development framework

Resources Video Content, Slides, study guide, worksheets, lecture rooms with projector.

Module Evaluation Course questionnaires, course review.