

FIT3015
Industrial experience project

Unit Guide

Semester 1, 2011

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In their final year of study, students are given the opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills they have gained, in the development of an information system for a real world client. Students work in groups and will: design, develop and deliver an information system for a client, manage the project through all its development stages, communicate effectively with all project stakeholders, develop project documentation to a professional standard, present their project work to academics and other groups, attend unit seminars, and contribute in a professional and committed manner to the work of the group.

Mode of Delivery

- Caulfield (Day)
- Sunway (Day)

Contact Hours

1 hr seminar/wk, 2 x 3 hrs laboratories/wk as determined by supervisor

Workload

Your workload commitment to this unit are:

- 1 hour meeting with your supervisor
- At least 6 hours of meetings and discussion with your group
- 1 hour seminar
- 1 hour personal reflection which include: writing a blog about the weeks activities, keeping records of time spent on this unit and generally reflecting on what you have learned.
- approximately 15 hours of additional work

Unit Relationships

Prohibitions

CSE3301, GCO3819, GCO3700, GCO3800, GCO3900, GCO3800A, CPE3200, CPE3300, CSE3200, FIT2032, FIT3016, FIT3017, FIT3025, FIT3026, FIT3038, FIT3039, FIT3040, FIT3045, FIT3047, FIT3048, IMS3000, IMS3501, IMS3502

Prerequisites

((FIT1001 and FIT1005) or FIT1031) and (FIT1002, FIT1004, FIT2001, FIT2002 and (FIT1003 or FIT2003) and (6 pts of FIT units at any year level) and (18 pts of FIT 2nd or 3rd year units).

This unit is only available for students in their final semester of study (24 pts or less to complete). The students must have a credit average in the previous year of study and must have chief examiner and course director approval.

Chief Examiner

Chris Gonsalvez

Campus Lecturer

Caulfield

Gail Bourne

Sunway

Thomas O'Daniel

Tutors

Caulfield

David Grant

Learning Objectives

At the completion of this unit students will be able to:

- understand all stages of the process of developing an information system;

understand the roles and responsibilities of clients, system users and developers in a systems development project;

- understand how information systems are developed;
- apply, in a practical setting, the theoretical work covered in their course;

develop a significant computing application, from the analysis and design stages, through coding and implementation to evaluation;

- work with clients and communicate effectively with them;
- define a problem, and gather data, facts, opinions and information needed to analyse and solve it;
- outline and evaluate alternative solutions to a system development problem;
- perform a feasibility study that includes estimates of costs, time requirements, a schedule for the development, and the benefits expected from the system;
- identify hardware and software requirements for a system;
- document a system design using a range of appropriate tools;
- implement a system, including testing and debugging;
- evaluate a system, identifying any weakness or possible enhancements;
- operate effectively as a member of a development team.

Graduate Attributes

Monash prepares its graduates to be:

1. responsible and effective global citizens who:
 - a. engage in an internationalised world
 - b. exhibit cross-cultural competence
 - c. demonstrate ethical values

critical and creative scholars who:

- a. produce innovative solutions to problems
- b. apply research skills to a range of challenges
- c. communicate perceptively and effectively

Assessment Summary

In-semester assessment: 100%

Assessment Task	Value	Due Date
Practical Assessment - Detailed information about assessment, deliverables and due dates will be provided at each campus.	100%	Varied throughout the semester - dates to be negotiated with Project Director. Please refer to campus specific information on unit website.

Teaching Approach

Studio teaching

In this unit we try to simulate a real systems development experience. Groups of students work as a team with support from tutors and academic staff to develop a system for a real client. The seminars focus on revising and addressing specific issues related to the system development process and we also include speakers from industry for special topics. The studio sessions are there for students to work on their project and to receive help from tutors and academic staff.

Feedback

Our feedback to You

Types of feedback you can expect to receive in this unit are:

- Informal feedback on progress in labs/tutes
- Graded assignments with comments
- Interviews

Your feedback to Us

Monash is committed to excellence in education and regularly seeks feedback from students, employers and staff. One of the key formal ways students have to provide feedback is through SETU, Student Evaluation of Teacher and Unit. The University's student evaluation policy requires that every unit is evaluated each year. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the surveys. The feedback is anonymous and provides the Faculty with evidence of aspects that students are satisfied and areas for improvement.

For more information on Monash's educational strategy, and on student evaluations, see:

<http://www.monash.edu.au/about/monash-directions/directions.html>

<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/quality/student-evaluation-policy.html>

Previous Student Evaluations of this unit

If you wish to view how previous students rated this unit, please go to

<https://emuapps.monash.edu.au/unitevaluations/index.jsp>

Required Resources

The studio environment provides a large array of software and hardware for students to use within the studios, and some items are available for overnight loan. Please see the unit web site for up-to-date listing. Anything additional is to be negotiated between the student team and their clients. FIT will not normally provide additional hardware or software.

Unit Schedule

Week	Date*	Activities	Assessment
0	21/02/11		No formal assessment or activities are undertaken in week 0
1	28/02/11	Campus specific seminars will be held each week	Students will be advised of campus specific delivery dates and deliverables.
2	07/03/11		
3	14/03/11		
4	21/03/11		
5	28/03/11		
6	04/04/11		
7	11/04/11		
8	18/04/11		
Mid semester break			
9	02/05/11		
10	09/05/11		
11	16/05/11		
12	23/05/11		

	30/05/11	SWOT VAC	No formal assessment is undertaken SWOT VAC
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*Please note that these dates may only apply to Australian campuses of Monash University. Off-shore students need to check the dates with their unit leader.

Assessment Policy

To pass a unit which includes an examination as part of the assessment a student must obtain:

- 40% or more in the unit's examination, and
- 40% or more in the unit's total non-examination assessment, and
- an overall unit mark of 50% or more.

If a student does not achieve 40% or more in the unit examination or the unit non-examination total assessment, and the total mark for the unit is greater than 50% then a mark of no greater than 49-N will be recorded for the unit

Assessment Tasks

Participation

- **Assessment task 1**

Title:

Practical Assessment - Detailed information about assessment, deliverables and due dates will be provided at each campus.

Description:

A range of system development deliverables related to the project - details to be negotiated in the early stages of the development process.

Weighting:

100%

Criteria for assessment:

Detailed information about criteria for assessment will be provided at each campus.

Due date:

Varied throughout the semester - dates to be negotiated with Project Director. Please refer to campus specific information on unit website.

Examinations

Assignment submission

Assignment coversheets are available via "Student Forms" on the Faculty website:

<http://www.infotech.monash.edu.au/resources/student/forms/>

You MUST submit a completed coversheet with all assignments, ensuring that the plagiarism declaration section is signed.

Extensions and penalties

Submission must be made by the due date otherwise penalties will be enforced.

You must negotiate any extensions formally with your campus unit leader via the in-semester special consideration process:

<http://www.infotech.monash.edu.au/resources/student/equity/special-consideration.html>.

Returning assignments

Students can expect assignments to be returned within two weeks of the submission date or after receipt, whichever is later

Policies

Monash has educational policies, procedures and guidelines, which are designed to ensure that staff and students are aware of the University's academic standards, and to provide advice on how they might uphold them. You can find Monash's Education Policies at:

<http://policy.monash.edu.au/policy-bank/academic/education/index.html>

Key educational policies include:

- Plagiarism
(<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/conduct/plagiarism-policy.html>)
- Assessment
(<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/assessment/assessment-in-coursework-p>)
- Special Consideration
(<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/assessment/special-consideration-policy.h>)
- Grading Scale
(<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/assessment/grading-scale-policy.html>)
- Discipline: Student Policy
(<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/conduct/student-discipline-policy.html>)
- Academic Calendar and Semesters (<http://www.monash.edu.au/students/key-dates/>);
- Orientation and Transition (<http://www.infotech.monash.edu.au/resources/student/orientation/>);
and
- Academic and Administrative Complaints and Grievances Policy
(<http://www.policy.monash.edu/policy-bank/academic/education/management/complaints-grievance-policy>)

Student services

The University provides many different kinds of support services for you. Contact your tutor if you need advice and see the range of services available at www.monash.edu.au/students The Monash University Library provides a range of services and resources that enable you to save time and be more effective in your learning and research. Go to <http://www.lib.monash.edu.au> or the library tab in my.monash portal for more information. Students who have a disability or medical condition are welcome to contact the Disability Liaison Unit to discuss academic support services. Disability Liaison Officers (DLOs) visit all Victorian campuses on a regular basis

- Website: <http://adm.monash.edu/sss/equity-diversity/disability-liaison/index.html>;
- Telephone: 03 9905 5704 to book an appointment with a DLO;
- Email: dlu@monash.edu

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- Drop In: Equity and Diversity Centre, Level 1 Gallery Building (Building 55), Monash University, Clayton Campus.

Reading List

There are no recommended texts, however students are expected to have developed their own collection of texts, urls and other reference materials during the course of their studies, and will be required to carry out research related to their specific project.