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##### School of Computer of Science

##### ASSIGNMENT BRIEFING SHEET (2018/19 Academic Year)

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| **Assignment Title** | Extended Project Proposal (EPP) | **Submission Date** | 01/08/2019 |
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| **Module Title** | Master Project (MSc Online/Tutored E-learning) | **Module**  **Code** | 7WCM0003/07/13/31 |

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| **Tutor** | **Xianhui Che** | **GROUP or INDIVIDUAL Assignment** | Individual |

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| **FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENTS – *STUDENT TO COMPLETE***   |  | | --- | | **(Comments on this assignment by students can be made on the back of the assignment briefing sheet).**  By completing **BOX A** below, I certify that thesubmitted work is entirely mine and that any material derived or quoted from the published or unpublished work of other persons has been duly acknowledged. **[ref. UPR AS12, section 7 and UPR AS14 (Appendix III)].** I also certify, that any work with human participants has been carried out under an approved ethics protocol in accordance with UPR RE01.  *Please print your forename and surname in capitals and provide your ID (srn) number.* |   **BOX A**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Student Forename**  *(in CAPS please)* | **Student Surname**  *(in CAPS please)* | **Student ID Number (SRN)** | **Signature of Student** | | **COLIN** | **YOUNGE** | **16018361** |  | |

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**This sheet must be submitted with the assignment, signed and either BOX A or B filled in.**

**LATE SUBMISSION WILL ATTRACT A STANDARD LATENESS PENALTY.**

1. For undergraduate modules, a score of 40% or above represents a pass mark.
2. For postgraduate modules, a score of 50% or above represents a pass mark.
3. For work submitted up to 5 working days late marked is capped to a bare pass (40% for undergraduate and 50% for postgraduate).
4. For work submitted more than 5 working days a mark of zero will be awarded for the assignment.

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| **THE ASSIGNMENT TASK:**  The tasks are set on the pages 4-5. |
| **MODULE LEARNING OUTCOMES ASSESSED BY THIS ASSIGNMENT:**  Knowledge and Understanding: Successful students will typically....  be able to refer to the findings of other academic writers to justify their chosen approach to the development of a solution, and to evaluate the outcomes of their project work.  Skills and Attributes: Successful students will typically....  be able to plan and manage a substantial body of work, identify any risks inherent in their chosen approach, and work independently with minimum supervision; |
| **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**  You should submit your EPP to the EPP link under the Assignment Section on Canvas module site, in the PDF format by the name ***SRN\_EPP***.pdf. Please note that we do not accept any other formats of submission.  The word limit for the main report body is 1500.  Marks will be deducted if submission requirements are not met.  Please read the statements on page 1 about lateness penalty. |
| **FEEDBACK FROM THIS ASSIGNMENT**  Feedback will be in the form of a score and comments in the EPP marking form. |
| **MARKS AWARDED FOR:**  10 elements as shown on pages 4-5. |

### DEADLINES AND ASSIGNMENT WEIGHTINGS

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| 1 | This assignment is worth | | 5% | | of the **overall assessment** for this module. | | | |
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| 2 | You are expected to spend about | | | 15 | | Hours to complete this assignment to a satisfactory standard | | |
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| 3 | Date assignment set | 20/05/2019 | | | | Date completed assignment to be handed in | 01/08/2019 | |
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| 4 | Target date for return of marked assignment | | | | | 29/08/2019 |  |  |

**INTERNAL MODERATION**

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| This assignment has been internally moderated.  I confirm:   * That the assignment set, meets the requirements of the module and that the brief provides appropriate content for students to successfully complete the assignment. * That the assessment is at an appropriate level and matches QAA level descriptors and is an appropriate form of assessment within the total range of assessments for this module. * That the marking scheme is attached and that students can determine how marks are allocated. * That this assessment can be completed **and** marked within University timeframes, and provides detailed feedback (more than just a grade) that supports learning.   . | ***Moderator name, signature and date***    Dr Olga Angelopoulou  09/05/2019 |

Extended Project Proposal

The aim of completing the Extended Project Proposal (EPP) is for you to refine the area of your proposed idea and the objectives for your project, after discussing the feedback that you received for your Initial Project Idea with your project supervisor.

You should try and give as much detail as possible about your proposed project as this will help you to clarify what you aim to achieve.

In planning your project, you are asked to identify what you hope to achieve by different times during the coming months. These milestones should help you to ensure that your plans are achievable in the time available, and to monitor your progress. We acknowledge that for more speculative or investigative projects, it may be difficult to be precise about these.

The Extended Project Proposal should comprise no more than 1500 words, excluding references. Please provide a word count at the end of sections 4 and 5 (see below).

The Project Proposal must contain the following sections:

1. Project title (**1 mark**): concise, informative, and indicative.
2. Aim of the project and research question(s) (**4 marks**): be specific about what is to achieve. “Exploration” or “investigation” may not be specific or feasible for a master level project.
3. Objectives (**4 marks**): the main objectives of the project categorized as core and advanced objectives (please ensure that your objectives are SMART, ie Simple, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Timely). Be sure that the advanced objectives are technically challenging and above the basic level.
4. Background (**6 marks**): a brief description of the background to the project, citing appropriate references (**300-500** words).
5. Methods/methodology (**6 marks**): the nature of the proposed work (eg research, development, etc) and the methods or methodology that you intend to use (**300 - 500** words)
6. Project Plan (**3 marks**): a schedule and plan for when and how these objectives will be achieved.
7. Required resources and skills (**1 mark**): a list of hardware, software, access (eg to databases), and skills (eg the ability to write code in a particular language) you will need to bring the work to a good end, and a brief description of how you are planning to meet these requirements.
8. Relation to target award (**2 marks**): a brief description of how the topic of your project or the work you are planning to do fit within the field of your target award (ie general Computer Science, Distributed Systems and Networks, Software Engineering, or E-Learning Technology)
9. Ethics Approval (**1 mark**): a brief discussion on whether you will need Ethics Approval for your work. If yes, then describe how to obtain Ethics Approval for an MSc project in the University of Hertfordshire.
10. List of References (**2 marks**): any books, papers, and on-line resources that you have consulted or will be consulting in relation to work on the project. A substantial proportion of your sources should consist of peer reviewed academic papers. References may be listed using the Harvard (author-date) referencing systems, and the referencing style must be consistent throughout the document.

Please note, the above score is marked out of 30. The EPP assessment is worth 5% of the overall module m ark. So, this score will be scaled to 5 marks.