

## Extended Project Proposal: Scores and feedback

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1. Project title, aim [or research question(s)] (maximum **10**)

0	2	5	7	10	<b>Score</b>
Poor	Limited	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent	3

2. The main objectives of the project, categorized as core and advanced Objectives (maximum **20**)

0	5	10	15	20	<b>Score</b>
Inadequate	Vague, irrelevant	Satisfactory, but open to improvement	Good, but minor omissions	Excellent: concrete and measurable	10

3. Background to the project area including a brief description of the background to the project, citing appropriate references (maximum **20**)

0	5	10	15	20	<b>Score</b>
Irrelevant	Major problems	Satisfactory, but unfocused	Good, but too long	Excellent: brief and to the point	20

4. The nature of the proposed work and methodology to be employed in the project (maximum **10**)

0	5	10	<b>Score</b>
No clear work or methodology	Some lack of clarity, but satisfactory basis for a sensible project	Clearly identified and realistic	<b>10</b>

5. Schedule or plan for when and how these objectives will be achieved (maximum **10**)

0	5	10	<b>Score</b>
Missing or unsatisfactory	Satisfactory, but open to improvement	Excellent: sensible stages and realistic dates	7

6. Description of hardware or software requirements, and how these will be met (maximum **5**)

0	3	5	<b>Score</b>
Missing or poor	Satisfactory, but some aspects missing	Well-considered, relevant	2

7. Relation to target award (maximum **10**)

0	5	10	<b>Score</b>
Missing or unsatisfactory	Satisfactory, but open to improvement	Well-considered, relevant	10

8. A brief discussion concerning the potential need for Ethics Approval (maximum **5**)

0	3	5	<b>Score</b>
Missing or poor	Satisfactory, but some aspects missing	Well-considered, relevant	5

9. Bibliography, including references to books, papers and on-line resources that you have consulted, related work in the area, etc. (maximum **10**)

0	5	10	<b>Score</b>
No references	Few or inadequate references; inconsistent use of referencing system	Excellent references; consistent use of referencing system	10

<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>	<b><u>77</u></b>
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**Marker's comments**

The meaning of “MSc Properties” requires clarification in the Aim.

The Research Question was not clearly defined. (Was the focus on the software development process or the specifics of translating requirements for property management?). Clarification is required as to the challenges for this project. (What specific problem will you be solving?)

As a distributed system, one of your core objectives requires resolution of the distribution mechanism.

In your plans, it appears that you handle distribution as a “big bang”. The tendency is to approach a desk-top realization first and then proceed with distribution as a divide-and-conquer strategy.

No time has been allocated to write up the thesis (assumed that it is the evaluation duration).

The hardware and software requirements did not consider resourcing distribution. The software requirements were missing.

## ***Guidance for markers***

For all items in the marking scheme, feel free to award scores that are not a multiple of 5, but do award whole marks only, and do not exceed the maximum score indicated.

Please add some general comments to this section. These can be comments on specific items, explaining what improvements could be made, comments on the overall quality of the proposal, or a combination of these, and anything else you feel might be helpful.

Point 6: The School does not provide students with software/hardware for the completion of their projects, other than the software available via <http://go.stca.herts.ac.uk/>. It is important that ensure that students have the hardware/software resources required for the completion of the project. In some instances, we are able to provide students with an area on one of our School servers for hosting ASP.NET and PHP applications. Please let me know if you would like to look into this.

Point 8: Not all projects will require ethics approval, but students are still required to state clearly whether or not their project would require ethics approval. Any work involving human participants (e.g. interview, usability study) will require student and supervisor to apply for ethics approval.

Point 9: Students are recommended to use the Harvard Referencing System. However, other well-established referencing systems (e.g. Vancouver) are also accepted, provided they are used consistently and correctly.