

# **FACULTY OF COMPUTING AND INFORMATICS**

DEPARTMENT OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

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COURSE: SOFTWARE DESIGN

COURSE CODE: SDN621S

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GROUP PROJECT

DURATION: 6 WEEKS

MARKS: 100

# **Project Description**

## **Group Project: Unemployment Youth Challenge**

**Objective:** The objective of this group project is to context sensitive digital intervention prototype interactions and user experiences that address the issue of high youth unemployment rates in Namibia. The project does not aim to solve unemployment directly but instead to explore digital solutions that address contributing factors, such as:

Information gaps (lack of awareness about job opportunities, training programs, funding sources).

Skills development (access to affordable or free online training and upskilling platforms).

Access to funding and entrepreneurship support (information about micro-loans, grants, or mentoring).

Networking and connection to opportunities (platforms where youth can connect with potential employers, NGOs, or government programs).

The target participant/user should be unemployed youth between the ages of 18-34. The project involves data collection, analysing and presenting collected data, identifying key factors contributing to unemployment rates, and proposing actionable solutions through a prototype, conducting thorough evaluation and testing. To ensure the software's functionality and performance, you will need to gather feedback from potential users and stakeholders to refine and improve the prototype. The entire design process needs to be documented, including requirements, design decisions, prototype (wireframe) details, and testing results. Finally, prepare a comprehensive presentation that showcases the project's objectives, methodologies, findings, and the final prototype (wireframe).

# **Project deliverables:**

## 1. Concept Design

The project should ensure thorough documentation of the informed consent from participants while focusing on the relevance of data gathering to provide valuable insights and inform design decisions. Emphasising creativity in interaction design and the novelty of proposed solutions, the aim is to effectively address the identified problem through user-friendly and intuitive design principles that enhance the overall user experience.

# 2. Prototype

The design approach should adhere to established principles, providing clear and detailed documentation that meets the needs of both developers and designers. Presentations of sketches, wireframes, and prototypes should be well-organised, ensuring a logical flow in user interactions to create a seamless and engaging experience. The process should be responsive to user feedback, demonstrating iterative refinements based on usability testing and insights.

### 3. Presentation

Submit your PowerPoint presentation document through the e-learning platform and prepare for a group presentation during your scheduled practical class timeslot. Your presentation should clearly and effectively convey your ideas and concepts with confidence. Additionally, include a thoughtful reflection on the design process and outcomes, assessing both successes and areas for improvement.

#### 4. Video Pitch

Submit a two-minute (2 min) video that provide a comprehensive walk-through of your prototype, effectively showcasing the final interaction design solution.

## **Group requirements:**

- Students need to group themselves (minimum 5 and maximum 8).
- Choose a group representative for your group.
- The group representative will upload all deliverables.
- Please indicate the [Student Number], [First Name], [Last Name] and [Practical class group] of all Project Team members.

#### **Advice**

• Before you start with your project, please brainstorm and have discussions in the group to revise and have a common understanding of skills gained from previous courses like Design Thinking, Database Fundamentals, Database Programming, Programming 1 and 2 etc.

NOTE: Please do a lot of research (online, library, etc.) and reading.

- Try to handle all project issues such as group members not participating.
- Marks will be allocated in relation to each individual's **contribution** to the project.
- Each Team member will evaluate each member's contributions to the project.
- An evaluation form will be available on elearning.
- Please feel free to contact your lecturer if you have any questions or problems regarding the project.

Due date: 7 November 2025 23H59

Student Number	Student Surname	Initial &	Contribution (Describe the individual student contribution)	Rating (100%)  (Give a rating out of a 100% according to contribution)
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# Plagiarism and use of generative AI

Any AI used tools should be clearly acknowledged in the section where it is used.

All Al-assisted work will be reviewed and verified by your research team to ensure accuracy and relevance.

The main ideas, analysis, and conclusions remain the responsibility of the project team, not the AI tool.

Any use of AI should be acknowledged openly in the report and presentation.

If students are found to have <u>plagiarised or used generative AI without the necessary acknowledgement</u>, will have marks deducted as indicated in the table below:

The project should be submitted through Turnitin, the similarity software that is integrated into the E-Learning Management System. If plagiarism is detected, marks will be deducted as follows:

% Similarity Detected	% Marks Deducted
0 – 20	0
20 – 40	25
40 – 60	50
60 -100	100

It is the student's responsibility to be familiar with and adhere to the NUST's Policies. These Policies can be found in the NUST Prospectus or online on the NUST website.

## **Deliverables / Deadlines**

Please respect the deadlines.

- All submissions are done on elearning (no hard copies, nor email submissions will be accepted).
- NOTE: Only ONE member (representative) from the group needs to upload the project components.
- Make sure you list all group member details in your submissions as it will not be added after submission.

PROJECT SCHEDULE						
Tasks/Deliverables	Due Date/Time	Venue	Weight			
1. Concept Design	02 November 2025 23H59	E-Learning	35%			
2. Prototype	02 November 2025 23H59	E-Learning	35%			
<ul><li>3. Presentation</li><li>PowerPoint Slides</li><li>Presentation</li></ul>	03 November 2025 23H59 03 - 07 November 2025	E-Learning Practical class timeslot	15%			
4. Demo video	03 November 2025 23H59	E-Learning	10%			
5. Self-evaluation	07 November 2025	E-Learning	Based on Self- Evaluation Rating			

# **Project Deliverables: Scoring Rubric**

Group Members:		

CRITERIA	PERFORMANCE LEVELS				
	Distinction	Merit	Credit	Pass	Fail
1. Concept Design/idea of product (40 marks): - Consent (5 marks)	Excellent documentation of the informed consent obtained from the participants. [5]	Good documentation of the informed consent obtained from the participants.  [4]	Satisfactory documentation of the informed consent obtained from the participants. [3]	Unsatisfactory documentation of the informed consent obtained from the participants. [1-2]	No documentation of the informed consent obtained from the participants. [0]
- Data gathering and analysis (15 marks)	Excellent depth and relevance of data gathering to gain insight and analysis and presentation of data. [12-15]	Good depth and relevance of data gathering to gain insight and analysis and presentation of data. [8-11]	Satisfactory depth and relevance of data gathering to gain insight and analysis and presentation of data. [4-7]	Unsatisfactory depth and relevance of data gathering to gain insight and Analysis and presentation of data. [1-3]	No depth and relevance of data gathering to gain insight and analysis and presentation of data. [0]
-Context and problem identification (5 marks)	Excellent clear understanding of the context of the problem.	Good clear understanding of the context of the problem.	Satisfactory clear understanding of the context of the problem.	Unsatisfactory clear understanding of the context of the problem.	No clear understanding of the context of the problem.

	[5]	[4]	[3]	[1-2]	[0]
- Originality and	Excellent creativity in the interaction design	Good creativity in the interaction design	Satisfactory creativity in the interaction	Unsatisfactory	No creativity in the interaction design
Innovation (5 marks)	concepts. Novelty and	concepts. Novelty and	design concepts.	creativity in the interaction design	concepts. Novelty and
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	proposed solutions.	proposed solutions.	uniqueness of	uniqueness of	proposed solutions.
	[5]	[4]	proposed solutions.	proposed solutions.	[0]
			[3]	[1-2]	
- Usability and	Excellent	Good effectiveness of	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	No effectiveness of
Functionality	effectiveness of the	the concept in solving	effectiveness of the	effectiveness of the	the concept in solving
(10 marks)	concept in solving the	the identified	concept in solving the	concept in solving the	the identified
	identified problem.	problem. Ease of use	identified problem.	identified problem.	problem. Ease of use
	Ease of use and	and intuitive design.	Ease of use and	Ease of use and	and intuitive design.
	intuitive design.	[5-7]	intuitive design.	intuitive design.	[0]
_	[8-10]		[3-4]	[1-2]	
2. Prototype (40	Excellent application	Good application of a	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	No application of a
marks):	of a design approach	design approach	application of a	application of a	design approach
	principles followed.	principles followed.	design approach	design approach	principles followed.
- Approach (5 marks)	Excellent prototype	Good prototype	principles followed.	principles followed.	No prototype
	(wireframe) simulating user	(wireframe) simulating user	Satisfactory prototype (wireframe)	Unsatisfactory	(wireframe) simulating user
	interactions	interactions	simulating user	prototype (wireframe)	interactions
	[5]	[4]	interactions	simulating user	[0]
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- Documentation and	Excellent quality,	Good quality, clarity	Satisfactory quality,	Unsatisfactory	No quality, clarity and
Articulation (10	clarity and detail of	and detail of	clarity and detail of	quality, clarity and	detail of
marks)	documentation to	documentation to		detail of	documentation to

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-User Interaction Flow	Excellent coherence	Good coherence and	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	No coherence and
(15 marks)	and logical flow of	logical flow of user	coherence and logical	coherence and logical	logical flow of user
	user interactions,	interactions, seamless	flow of user	flow of user	interactions, seamless
	seamless and	and engaging user	interactions, seamless	interactions, seamless	and engaging user
	engaging user	experience.	and engaging user	and engaging user	experience.
	experience.	[8-11]	experience.	experience.	[0]
	[12-15]		[4-7]	[1-3]	
-Evaluation and	Excellent	Good responsiveness	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	No responsiveness to
Iteration (10 marks)	responsiveness to	to user feedback.	responsiveness to	responsiveness to	user feedback.
	user feedback.	Evidence of iterations	user feedback.	user feedback.	Evidence of iterations
	Evidence of iterations	based on usability	Evidence of iterations	Evidence of iterations	based on usability
	based on usability	testing and feedback.	based on usability	based on usability	testing and feedback.
	testing and feedback.	[5-7]	testing and feedback.	testing and feedback.	[0]
	[8-10]		[2-4]	[1]	
3. Presentation	Excellent clarity and	Good clarity and	Satisfactory clarity	Unsatisfactory clarity	No clarity and
and Reflection (20	effectiveness of the	effectiveness of the	and effectiveness of	and effectiveness of	effectiveness of the
marks):	presentation. Ability	presentation. Ability	the presentation.	the presentation.	presentation. Ability
iliai K5j.	to convey ideas and	to convey ideas and	Ability to convey	Ability to convey	to convey ideas and
	concepts clearly and	concepts clearly and	ideas and concepts	ideas and concepts	concepts clearly and
	confidently.	confidently.			confidently.

- Presentation Skills	Excellent insightful	Good insightful	clearly and	clearly and	No insightful		
(10 marks)	reflection on the	reflection on the	confidently.	confidently.	reflection on the		
	design process and	design process and	Satisfactory insightful	Unsatisfactory	design process and		
	outcomes. Evaluation	outcomes. Evaluation	reflection on the	insightful reflection	outcomes. Evaluation		
	of successes and	of successes and	design process and	on the design process	of successes and		
	areas for	areas for	outcomes. Evaluation	and outcomes.	areas for		
	improvement.	improvement.	of successes and	Evaluation of	improvement.		
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			improvement.	for improvement.			
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-Video Pitch (10	Excellent provision of	Good provision of a	Satisfactory provision	Unsatisfactory	No provision of a		
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	[8-10]	[5-7]	[2-4]	design).	[0]		
				[1]			
TOTAL MARKS: /100							

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