**Final Year Project**

The final year project is the culmination of the degree. It is your opportunity to demonstrate all you have learned. You are supervised, BUT, the onus and responsibility is on you to define the problem, identify the problem boundaries, investigate possible solutions, and produce a product.

**Supervision**

* First Supervisor
* Second Supervisor

All school staff are available for advice.

**Course Structure**

* Term One
  + One hour lecture
  + Two hour tutorial
* Term Two
  + First and Second Supervisor meetings by appointment

**Assessment**

* Project Report - around 12,000 to 15,000 words
* Product
* Demonstration and Viva

**Marking**

* First and Second Supervisors
* School Moderation Panel
* External Examiners

**Classification**

* 1st Class Honours > 70%
* 2:1 Upper Second Honours > 60%
* 2:2 Lower Second Honours > 50%
* 3rd Class Honours > 40%
* Pass

**Weighting**

* Year 2 - 20%
* Year 3 - 80%

Project is worth 40% of your Degree

**Assignment**- Make a spreadsheet to calculate the minimum you need in each component, to achieve your desired classification.

**Commitment**

You should be working at least a 40 hour week.

For the first 6 weeks, 30 hours of this should be dedicated to the project, and 10 hours to your courses.

**Assignment** - Make a week, planner and stick to it.

**Key Dates**

* Degree Show
* Project Demonstration / Viva
* Submit Final Report
* Semester 1 Project Demonstration
* Project Proposal - 10% of your project mark 4 marks of your degree.

**Development Mark**

* Weekly Uploads
* System has a cut off dates
* Attendance Matters
* Engage with your supervisors as much as possible, they are the ones marking you.

**Project Structure**

A suitable project will be:-

* Narrow
  + well defined scope
* Deep
  + of academic interest
* Relevant
  + to your degree
* Current
  + techniques and technologies
* Novel
  + no re-inventing of wheels
* Achievable
  + within the timescale

Your project must attempt to either answer a question or solve a problem relevant to your programme of study

THE PROJECT MUST HAVE A PRODUCT

Do not start with a solution before establishing the problem.

List of project topics - double edged sword

The decision as to which technology, architecture, approach, implementation, or whatever you are to use in your project must emerge from your research and investigation.

**Project Title**

One of the last things to be finalised.

**Information Sources**

At Present - Journals Only

This week start with ACM Computing Surveys and IEEE Communications Surveys and Tutorials. These Journals can be accessed from the library.

**Project Ideas**

* Ideas will occur at the strangest of times
* Carry a note pad at all times
* Have a note pad by your bed

**This Week’s Assignments**

* Make a spreadsheet to calculate the minimum you need in each component, to achieve your desired classification.
* Buy a wall planner
* Make a week planner. Upload into Moodle and present at next week's tutorial. Give reasons if you did not manage to do 30 hours work on your project and 10 hours on your courses.
* Read five Journal papers and document using the Journal Logs. Upload the Journal logs into Moodle and present at next week's tutorial. Make sure that they are referenced using Harvard.
* Complete the Assignment 'How to Select a Project Topic'. Upload into Moodle present at next week's tutorial.