

# SOFTWARE ENGINEERING UNIT SYLLABUS



**Total Hours:** 

33

DEPARTMENT	Computer Science	PROGRAMME	BSc (Hons) in Computer Science	
UNIT CODE	CCP3500	UNIT TITLE	Software Engineering	
CREDITS	10	SEMESTER/SESSION	Autumn 2019	
LEVEL OF STUDY	3 <sup>rd</sup>	STAFF OFFICE	Athens	
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#### **UNIT DESCRIPTION**

The unit aims to develop an understanding of the problems involved in the development of high-quality software products and appreciation of the methodologies, techniques, and tools necessary to develop such systems efficiently. The emphasis of the course is placed on project management, metrics and project estimation, risk management, quality issues, testing, and contemporary software engineering topics, such as extreme programming and refactoring.

#### **AIMS**

This unit aims to:

- A1 Present and discuss traditional software development process methodologies
- A2 Introduce software estimation techniques and metrics as well as project management techniques
- A3 Present risk management techniques and discuss the importance of software quality assurance
- A4 Present testing techniques
- A5 Introduce and discuss agile methodologies, such as extreme programming

LEARNING OUTCOMES				
By the end of the unit, a student will be able to:		Link to aims		
LO1	Given a problem, illustrate an appropriate software development process	A1, A5		
LO2	Evaluate a software development process	A1, A5		
LO3	Estimate the size, effort and time of a project	A2		
LO4	Illustrate the role of metrics in software development	A2		
LO5	Create a project plan by applying project management techniques	A2		
LO6	Outline the risks involved in a project and construct a risk management and mitigation plan	A3		
LO7	Employ techniques for quality assurance, evaluate systems in terms of quality	A3		
LO8	Apply testing techniques and construct test cases based on white box and black testing techniques	A4		

#### **TEACHING & LEARNING METHODS**

The following teaching & learning methods will be employed:

- There will be Weekly lectures and block teaching sessions. Lectures will include discussions of relevant case studies, participating in educational debates, answering quizzes and solving exercises.
- The practical assignments of the unit aim to help the students to develop skills in project management activities such as planning and estimation. The acquired skills are considered very useful for their work in their individual project.

ASSESSMENT METHODS						
Type	Students will be assessed by:	Submission	%	LOs		
#		Week	contribution	assessed		
C1	Software Project Estimation and Management	W8	40	LO1-5		
	Techniques					
E	Formal Examination	-	60	LO1-8		

#### **FEEDBACK PROVISION**

The following methods will be used to provide formative and summative feedback to students:

- Formative verbal feedback: during advising sessions (personal support through open-door policy)
- Formative verbal feedback: during classroom discussions and quizzes
- Summative written feedback: following the submission of the project assignment (C1)
- Formative and summative feedback: during and after the Problems & Programmers game (C2)
- Summative written feedback following the formal examination (E)

The Feedback Handbook found at <a href="https://goo.gl/Zy2roA">https://goo.gl/Zy2roA</a> aims to give you a better understanding of feedback; what it's for and how to use it.

### **RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOK(S)**

• Roger Pressman, Software Engineering, A Practitioner's Approach, McGraw-Hill, 8th edition, 2018

## LIST OF REFERENCES / ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED READING

- Ian Sommerville, Software Engineering, Addison-Wesley, 9th edition, 2011
- Shari Lawrence Pfleeger, Software Engineering: Theory and Practice, Prentice Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2001
- Kent Beck, Extreme Programming Explained: Embrace Change, Addison-Wesley, 1999
- Martin Fowler, Refactoring: Improving the Design of Existing Code, Addison-Wesley, 1999
- Frederick P. Brooks, The Mythical Man-Month: Essays on Software Engineering, anniversary edition (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), Addison-Wesley, 1995
- Steve McConnell, Code Complete, Microsoft Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2004

OUTLINE	
Week #1	Introduction to Software Engineering
	Software characteristics, software crisis, software engineering
Week #2	Software Engineering process
	Prescriptive models: Waterfall, incremental, evolutionary
Week #3	Project management: software metrics
	Measures, metrics, indicators, software measurement, measuring quality
Week #4	Project estimation
	Software project estimation, Function Points, algorithmic estimation models: COCOMO
Week #5	Project planning
	Roles, task analysis, time scheduling, monitoring resources with tools
Week #6	Risk management
	Software risk analysis, estimation & monitoring
Week #7	Software quality assurance
	Quality concepts, quality control, quality standards: ISO, CMM
Week #8	Software testing I
	Testing strategies, unit testing, integration testing, regression testing, system testing
Week #9	Software testing II
	Verification & validation, test case design, white box testing, black box testing
Week #10	Agile process models
	Light-weight methodologies, eXtreme Programming practices
Week #11	Revision

# SHEFFIELD GRADUATE BADGES

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