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ICS 2210: SYSTEMS ANALYSIS & DESIGN

Rationale

The aim of this course is to enable learners to gain an understanding of the principles of systems analysis and equip them with the skills to analyze business requirements and design solutions to meet business needs.

Course Description

This course covers fundamental issues and principles of systems analysis and design. The course looks at the value of systems analysis and design, the components of information systems, developing information systems, systems analysis methods, data modeling, systems design methods, database design, user interface design, and implementation strategies.

Learning outcomes

At the end of this course the students should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the fundamental principles, concepts, and practices of Systems Analysis and Design.
- 2. Carry out a structured analysis of business systems requirements.
- 3. Design system solutions that satisfy business needs.
- 4. Demonstrate an understanding of systems modeling use-case modeling, data modeling, and process modeling.

Course Text

1. Systems Analysis & Design Methods, by Jeffrey L. Whitten and Lonnie D. Bentley and Kevin C. Dittman. McGraw-Hill Irwin.

Recommended Reading

- 2. Systems Analysis and Design, 5th Edition by Roberta M. Roth, Alan Dennis and Barbara Haley Wixom, 2015, John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- 3. System Analysis and Design by Kendall and Kendall. Pearson Education

Teaching Methodology

A series of lectures, group discussions and practical lab exercises will be used to study and internalize the concepts. Students will make frequent use of Case Studies in understanding the concepts and practices of Systems Analysis and Design.

Methods of evaluation

| Total | 100% |
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| Exam | 70% |
| Assignments & Lab Exercises | 30% |

Content & Class Schedule

| Week | Topics | Class Activity | References |
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| 1&2 | Introduction | Lecture and Class | Course text |
| | An Overview of IS Development | Discussions | chapter 1 |
| | Project Initiation: Project identification and feasibility | | |
| 3 | analysis | Lecture, Group | Course text |
| | | Discussions and | chapter 2 |
| | | Lab Exercises | |
| | | Lecture, Group | Course text |
| 4 | Project selection and management | Discussions and | chapter 3 |

| | | Lab Exercises | |
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| 5 | Determining the requirements | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 4 |
| 6 | Use Case Analysis | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 4 |
| 7 &8 | Process Modeling | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 5 |
| 9 | Specifying Processes | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 5 |
| 10 | Data Modeling | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 6 |
| 11 | Transitioning into the Design | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 7 |
| 12 | Designing the UI | Lecture and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 9 |
| 13 | Moving into Implementation Transitioning to the New System | Lecture, Class Discussions and Lab Exercises | Course text chapter 12 & 13 |
| 13 | Revision Week | | |
| | Final Exam | | |