# Assessment for IS3S661: Strategic IS Management, Milestone 2: Propose a strategy

| Research introduction   Research into PS absent   Research into PS     |  | Fail<br>(0/29)  | Narrow Fail<br>(30/39)   | 3rd Class / Pass<br>(40/49)   | Lower 2nd Class / Pass<br>(50/59)  | Upper 2nd Class / Merit<br>(60/69)  | 1st Class / Distinction<br>(70/100)  | Mark |
|--|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|------|
| Documentation of PS   Documentation of Post   Documentation of PS   Documentation PS     | A brief introduction<br>(5%)                         |   | Superficial introduction   | the aim and content of the  | explanation of the topic and its   | content and conclusions of the  | of the aim, content and  | 5    |
| No recognisable elements of the technique present   1  | Analysis of problem<br>situation (PS) (25%)          | ☐ No explanation of PS ☐ No justification for choice of problem-solving                       | cursory  Unclear explanation of PS Unclear justification for choice of problem-solving                                   | presented  Weak explanation of PS  Some pertinent roles and values identified  Weak justification for choice of problem-solving   | into PS   Reasonable explanation of PS   Relevant roles and values identified   Reasonable justification for choice of problem-solving | into PS  PS explained clearly All relevant roles and values identified in a way that demonstrates some insight into PS Clear justification for choice         | into PS PS explanation well formed All relevant roles and values credible and demonstrates excellent insight into PS Very strong justification for choice of problem-solving | 14.5 |
| to report   Many major spelling mistakes in each paragraph poor grammar (10%)   Many major spelling mistakes in each paragraph poor grammar   Writing style unreadable   Many major spelling mistakes in each paragraph poor grammar   Writing style unreadable   Writing style clear and informative writing style mainly appropriate for audience   Writing style mainly appropriate for audience   Writing style unreadable   Writing s | Application of<br>problem-solving<br>technique (50%) | ☐ No recognisable elements of the technique   | technique    Few recognisable elements of the technique  | core aspects of the technique  There may be some gaps   | aspects of the technique that produces a reasonable solution  Basic modelling constructs   | to produce a solution that has few errors and/or omissions  Most modelling constructs used Some supporting  | technique to produce a solution that is likely to ring true to someone working in the field   Supported by good  | 35   |
| reading with many statements unsubstantiated statements [] Few sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with several errors [] Few sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with several errors [] Few sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with several errors [] Few sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with only minor errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with several errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with several errors [] All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with sources (eg. journals, books and quality web sites), used to justify points [] All sources cited a | Presentation, Spelling<br>and Grammar (10%)          | to report  Many major spelling mistakes in each paragraph very poor grammar                   | report  Many spelling mistakes in each paragraph poor grammar Writing style unclear inappropriate for                    | and most of the text has a clear message  Numerous spelling mistakes generally weak grammar  Basic sentence construction rules followed/Some text may be verbose mainly inappropriate | Text has a clear message  ☐ Some spelling mistakes some grammatical errors ☐ Basic sentence construction rules followed sometimes      | report    Few spelling mistakes mainly good grammar   Brief but informative writing style mainly appropriate for  | report  None or very few spelling mistakes excellent grammar Writing style clear and informative without being verbose   | 8    |
| lobal: 69%   | Use of references (10%)                              | reading with many statements unsubstantiated References and citations missing or contain many | background reading with many unsubstantiated statements  Few sources cited and referenced in Harvard format with several | websites and class notes with some unsubstantiated statements  Main sources cited and referenced in Harvard   | sources (eg. books and quality web sites), with a few unsubstantiated statements  All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format   | quality and relevant academic sources (eg. journals, books and quality web sites), used to justify points  All sources cited and referenced in Harvard format | quality and relevant academic sources (eg. journals, books and quality web sites), used to justify points clearly  All sources cited and referenced                          | ľ    |
|  | Global:  |   |  |   |  | V   |  | 69%  |

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## **Feedback**

#### A brief introduction

Excellent intro, very clear and thorough

#### **Analysis of problem situation (PS)**

Good use of a reference to provide context to the problem which is concisely presented. Although it is later expanded upon, you could have added more detail at this stage. Also, although the explanations of the laws are accurate, remember the advice in the assignment brief: "Don't waste words *discussing* the technique; *use* it!"; much of this section is discussing the technique. You could have, for example, explained what work in progress is in this context to help relate the theory to practice here.

The justification of why lean thinking fits this problem might also be linked more explicitly.

## Application of problem-solving technique

Although terminology has been used accurately, you could have demonstrated your knowledge more thoroughly with better explanations. For example, muda is not defined, nor do you explain the difference between type 1 and type 2. However an effective value stream mapping is shown and you have used references to support you in places. The analysis has resulted in a suitable solution that shows an ability to apply the technique with justifications for why decisions have been made. Again, the 5 laws mentioned previously could have been better included here, where you could have pointed out where each one has affected the decision making process.

## **Presentation, Spelling and Grammar**

A well written and clearly presented document that is easy to follow.

#### Use of references

Good sources help to give context and some academic underpinning of theory.

Citation style is good.

Formatting in the reference list (eg italics, use of brackets) does not match the USW style, see the guide: https://library.southwales.ac.uk/collections-subject-guides/referencing/

## **Summary**

A good application of the technique, but the explanation could have drawn more effective links between the theory and practice to show complete understanding and earn a few more marks.

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## **Self-assessment review**

|  | Maximum | Lecturer Grade | Student Grade | Difference | Summary  |
|--|---------|----------------|---------------|------------|--|
| A brief introduction                     | 5       | 5              | 3             | 2          | You underestimated your work in this area.   |
| Analysis of problem situation (PS)       | 25      | 14.5           | 17            | -2.5       | Accurate   |
| Application of problem-solving technique | 50      | 35             | 29.5          | 5.5        | You underestimated your work in this area.   |
| Presentation, Spelling and Grammar       | 10      | 8              | 7.5           | 0.5        | Accurate   |
| Use of references                        | 10      | 6              | 5             | 1          | Accurate   |
| Total                                    | 100     | 69             | 62            |            | You underestimated how well you would do on this coursework. The ability to self-assess accurately is important moving forward to avoid disappointment. Ensure you take a look at the categories you exceeded to understand why. |

## **Overview**

You achieved 69% in this assessment, this contributes 17.25% to your final mark for the module out of a potential 25%.

**Provisional mark only:** subject to change and/or confirmation by the Assessment Board.

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