

Collaborative Learning Discussion

Due date: Monday, 25 August, 23:55

Course event

Discussion Topic: The Evolution of Computing and Its Impact on Business and Society

Reflect on how computing has transformed industries and societies in recent decades. Choose one major computing discipline (e.g., AI, Cybersecurity, Software Engineering, Data Science, Enterprise IT Management) and explain its impact on a specific industry. Provide one recent example (from the past 3 years) where computing has significantly influenced business or society.

You should demonstrate that you understand the topic covered and ensure you use references to academic literature (journals, books, reports, etc.). The initial post, two responses and summary will be judged according to all grading criteria.

Learning Outcomes

- Identify and critically analyse computing challenges and processes in business systems, accounting for the current enterprise landscape.
- Gather and synthesise information from multiple sources (including internet resources and business publications) to aid in the systematic design and analysis of computing challenges.

Guidelines for Discussion Responses

Week 1:

- The discussion will last for 4 weeks.
- Your initial posting should respond to the question and be at least 300 words long.
- The initial post should be labelled '**Initial Post**'.

Weeks 2 and 3:

- You should respond to **at least two** of your peers' contributions.
- Limit your posts to 200 words maximum, so that others may be encouraged to reflect on, and respond to your ideas.
- Your follow-up responses should be labelled as '**Peer Response**'.

Week 4:

- In week 4, provide a **summary** of the discussion based on your initial post, the feedback from your peers and the content of all 4 units.
- Agree or otherwise, with reasons, with the contributions and reviews made by other students on the topic under discussion, enhancing your original post. This should be 300 words (excluding references).

- This summary post provides evidence of your personal growth.

Important Note about This Assessment:

- **The required minimum number of posts should be made, as well as a summary post.**
- **A summary post will not be graded if the required minimum number of posts is not met.**

Your summary post is graded according to the grading criteria found on the Module Resources page:

- Knowledge and Understanding (weighted at 25%).
- Collaboration (weighted at 25%).
- Criticality (weighted at 20%).
- Structure and Presentation (weighted at 10%).
- Academic integrity (weighted at 10%).
- Use of relevant sources (weighted at 10%).

Please also note that all forums, except Module Announcements, are automatically set to **unsubscribed**. In order to receive notifications about your post, or anyone else's posts you have interest in or have commented on, the subscribe button must be manually turned on for **each separate discussion**. Subscribe by scrolling to the bottom of this forum and selecting **Subscribe to this forum**.

Skills Developed

- Critical thinking and analysis.
- Research and synthesis of information.
- Communication and academic writing.

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