

	Level	Comments
<b>Quality of written expression &amp; presentation</b>	Pass	<p>Instead of opening your writing with, "The following essay ...", there is an opportunity to grab your reader's attention more immediately with a more interesting statement which focuses on your argument. This could even be a quotation or a statistic which you have gathered from a related piece of literature. e.g., "Computer Science is the most popular degree, with ..% of students ..."</p> <p>Your 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph is a perfect example of this, and I would remove the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph and open with the 2<sup>nd</sup> instead.</p> <p>Make the section headings clear and specific. For example, where you have written 'Professional Benefits', I am asking 'Of what?' Try to avoid letting your reader come to their own conclusion.</p> <p>Excellent style of writing overall. It is obvious that this piece has been carefully prepared.</p>
<b>Follows instruction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Addresses the set question</b></li><li>• <b>Shows good understanding</b></li><li>• <b>Meets the word count</b></li></ul>	Pass	<p>Excellent discussion around the importance of pursuing a postgraduate degree in the field of computer science, demonstrating understanding of the question set and your understanding of the field. I like the way that you have related a section of the discussion to the relevance of the degree in relation to your employment, however, I feel that the discussion would have been supported by contextualising this using a few</p>

		examples to really reinforce to the reader the way in which computing knowledge can benefit you in the workplace.
<b>Academic integrity &amp; wider reading</b>	Pass	<p>How many words have been used to support your writing? As the number of words used is part of the assessment, in the sense that you may be penalised for exceeding the limit, it is important that this detail is expressed clearly for the marker. (805 words incl. headings.)</p> <p>The 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph is excellently supported using academic literature.</p> <p>In the 'Professional Benefits' section, the first two points being made are supported using the same citation. Please try to avoid drawing too heavily on a single literature source, as there is a risk of bias creeping in when this is done. It is good to try to identify the points you wish to make in multiple sources.</p> <p>When talking about the state-of-the-art, it is important, particularly in the Computing field, to draw on information sources which are as new as possible. I make this comment in relation to your paragraph on 'Societal Impact', which references from 2014 being nearly 10 years old.</p>
<b>Outcome</b>	Pass	