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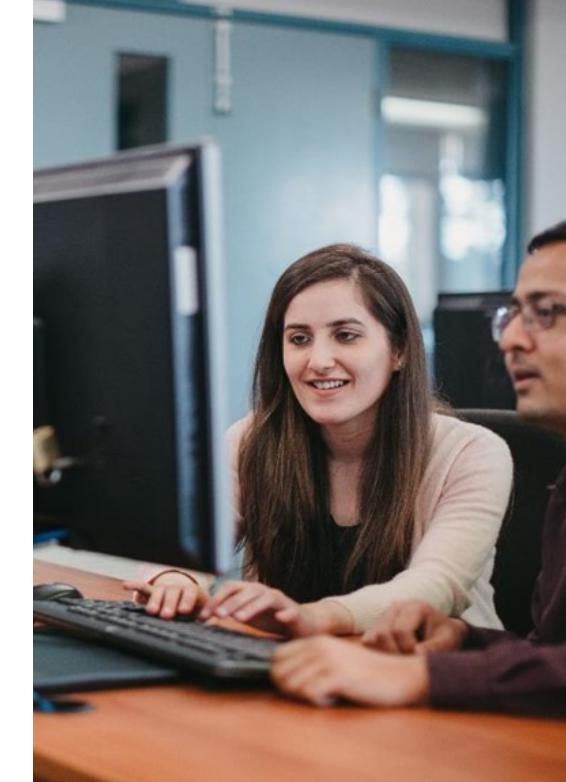


# Welcome to Computer Science and Software Engineering



**Today, we're welcoming you into our teaching programmes:**

- **Bachelor of Science**
  - Computer Science
  - Cybersecurity
  - Data Science
- **Bachelor of Advanced Computer Science (Honours)**
  - Artificial Intelligence (AI)
  - Computing and Data Science
  - International Cybersecurity
  - Quantum Computing



**(if you're *none-of-the-above*, you're in the wrong place! )**



# Meet our Programme Chairs



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# UWA Important Pages



- [UWA Handbook](#)
- [UWA Important Dates](#)
- [Campus-Map](#)
- [Advanced Standing](#)
- [UWA Support Services](#)



# How to succeed in your computing units

We're a university, not a school, and you are responsible for your studies. We are here to support and help your learning, the best we can, but you need to do your part. Your success depends very much on you.

- 1) Plan ahead** - follow a recommended *Study Plan*, and look ahead to see what units should be taken *next year*. Be aware of pre-requisites, and in which future semesters units are offered.
  
- 2) Manage your time and deadlines** - keep track of your *assessment deadlines*. We try to avoid deadlines clashing across your CITS units, but are unaware of deadlines in other departments. Nobody will keep reminding you about assessment deadlines.



# How to succeed in your computing units

- 3) **Manage your workload** - a 6-point unit is structured to require 150 hours of student workload (lectures, review, laboratories, projects, tests, exams....).
- 4) **Each unit will be presented differently** - make effective use of the unit-specific assistance provided (labs, workshops, consultation time). Seek clarification *early and often* during the semester.
- 5) **Each unit is designed to support a teaching objective** - don't expect the lectures to be self-contained. You will need to do additional reading beyond the lecture slides - recommended (online) readings, maybe a recommended textbook. As a guideline, a lecture provides about 1/3 of the necessary reading.

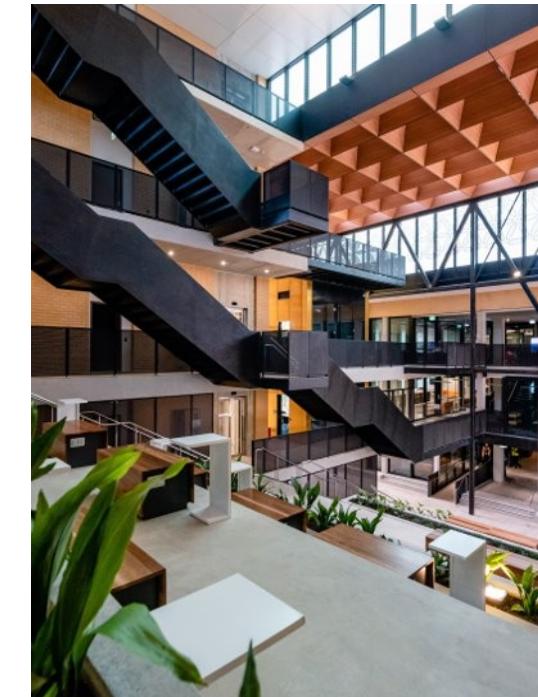


# How to succeed in your studies

**6) Get to know UWA's available resources** - take advantage of university resources such as libraries, research databases, UWA Ezone, supercomputer facilities, study groups, and academic advisors to enhance your learning experience.



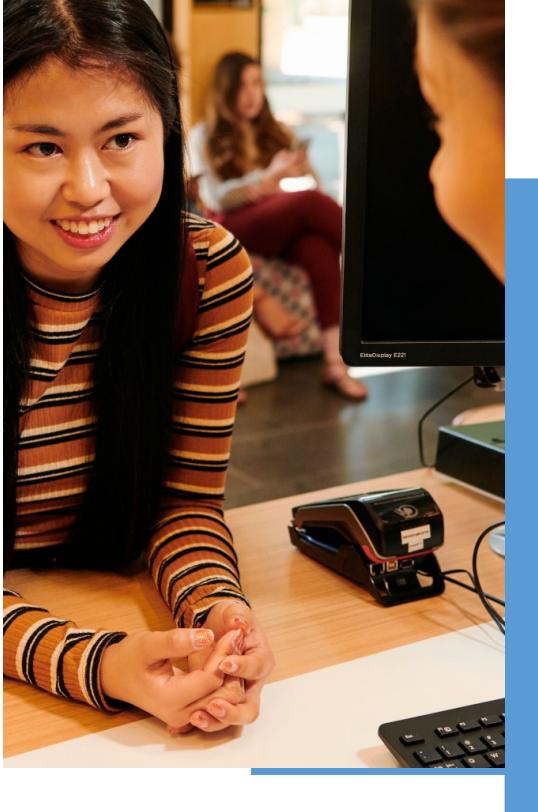
**Pawsey Supercomputing  
Centre**





# How to succeed in your studies

**7) Get to know UWA's available resources** - Utilise university services to enhance your writing and presentation skills, prepare for final exams, seek career advice, participate in internships, and more.



UWA Careers and Employability

<https://www.uwa.edu.au/students/Careers-and-Employability>

Academic Support

<https://www.uwa.edu.au/students/Support-services/Academic-support>

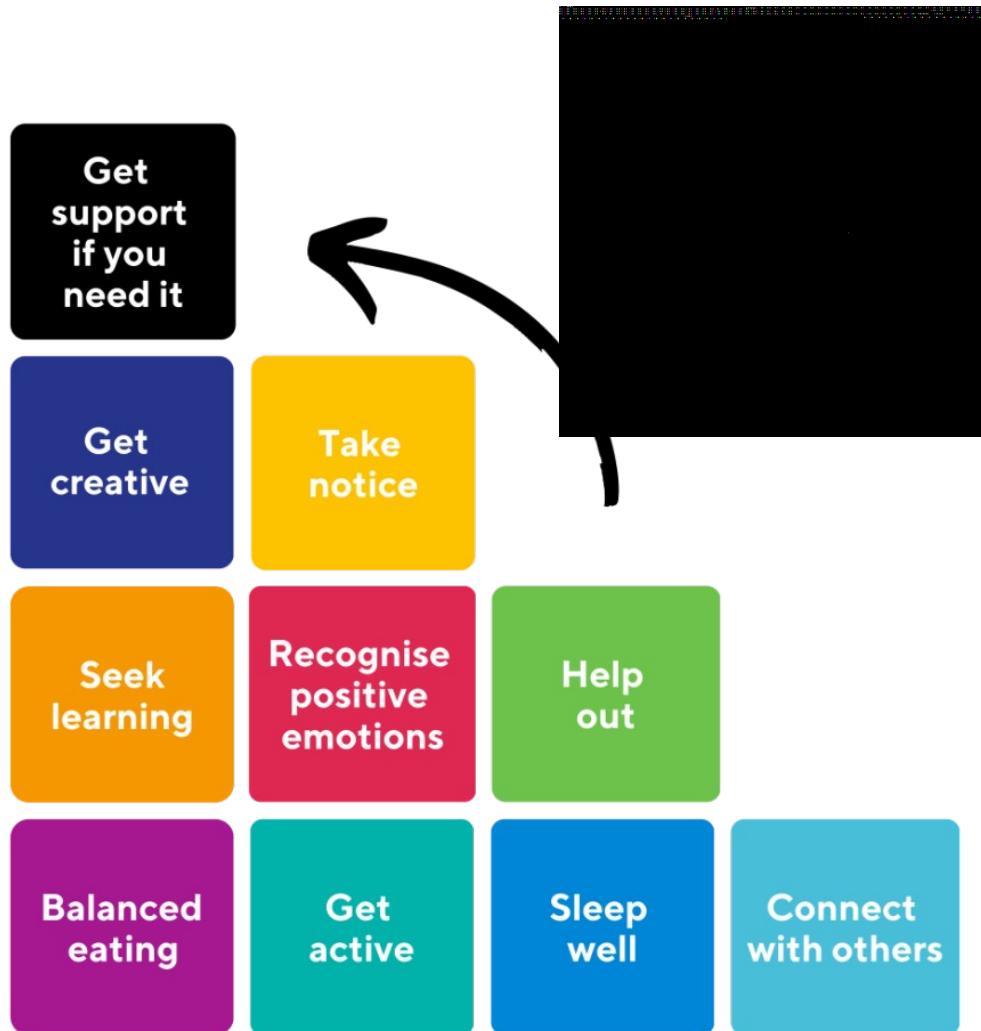
UWA WIL and Internships

[https://www.uwa.edu.au/students/careers-and-employability/  
work-placements-and-internships](https://www.uwa.edu.au/students/careers-and-employability/work-placements-and-internships)

Library

<https://www.uwa.edu.au/library/help-and-support>

# Your Student Support Services



## The Living Room (*ground floor Reid Library*)

Drop in and chat with a extensively trained Peer Supporter and enjoy the dog visits

Monday to Friday, 11am-4pm

## Mental Health and Wellbeing Services

Book online for a free appointment and be matched with the right support for you (*through LMS or the webpage*)

## Support for sexual harm and family and domestic violence

Book online for a confidential appointment with a specialist to discuss your safety, academic, wellbeing and reporting options

## International Student Lounge (*courtyard, Student Central*)

Drop in for dedicated help with settling into Perth and UWA and make new friends

## Pop-up events and workshops

Wellbeing activities and programs are offered throughout semester - stay tuned on UWA student socials

# Your Student Support Services



bookmark  
your  
services  
directory

[uwa.edu.au/students/support-services](http://uwa.edu.au/students/support-services)



## Academic skills

Get advice, one-on-one support and workshops, join study groups to improve your skills in academic writing, study, English language, research, maths and stats.

## Accessibility support

Is a physical or mental health condition affecting your studies? Book online for an appointment to explore learning adjustments with UniAccess.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Meet people with similar interests, gain confidence, add skills and experiences to your CV.

## Medical Centre

Book online to see a GP (doctor). Bulk billed for domestic, OSHC covered for international students. Medibank is our preferred provider.

## Security

24/7 assistance and security escorts to car parks and College Row. Download the Safe Zone App or call on 6488 2222.



# How to succeed in your studies

**8) CSSE and ACS Professional Partner Program** - UWA's Professional Partner Program collaboration with ACS provides Supported Student Membership (SSM) to our students.



ACS student support member benefits comprise:

1. Networking opportunities with employers to enhance job prospects.
2. Participation in professional development and networking events for skill honing and network expansion.
3. Exposure to various technology careers and pathways for inspiration.
4. Access to resources for upskilling and staying relevant in the technology sector.
5. Support as they embark on their technology careers.
6. All these benefits, including the Learning Accelerator, are offered to students at no cost, saving them \$72 annually.



# How to succeed in your studies

## Complimentary ACS student membership

Join ACS and launch your tech career with **personalised career support**.

Bridge the gap between your educational partner and work with the right skills and knowledge to enter Australia's crowded tech sector.

As an ACS member, you will:

- Receive personalised advice and support from your local ACS branch manager and team
- Understand the types of tech roles and career pathways available in Australia's ever-changing tech sector
- Gain relevant technical and vital interpersonal skills with unlimited access to ACS Skillsoft, a digital library of 35,000+ learning resources
- Build contacts and relationships with employers with invitations to 400+ networking and professional development events a year
- Learn one-to-one with tech professionals prepared to share their expertise and experience in the ACS mentoring program

ACS is the professional association for Australia's tech sector and the largest community with 49500+ members from across business, government and education. ACS is working with your educational partner to offer you a complimentary student membership.

Find out more at [acs.org.au](https://acs.org.au)



## How to get your complimentary ACS student membership

Join ACS today and gain access to ACS career advice and support. Just follow the steps outlined below:



Scan the QR code and visit the ACS membership web page. Click 'Join Now'



Click 'Sign-up Now' and complete the email verification



Select 'Supported Student ICT Membership'. The fee will be \$0



Select your educational institution from the drop-down menu



Complete sections 1 and 2 with your personal and student details



Click 'Browse Files' to upload your student ID or enrolment confirmation



Click 'Submit' to activate your complimentary ACS membership



Scan me now





# Lectures *really* are important

- UWA is a live campus, with *on-campus, face-to-face teaching*
- While *all lectures are recorded*, the purpose of the recordings is for *review*, not to see new material for the very first time
- Lectures, of course, introduce new material, but also provide opportunity to *ask questions* as soon as something is unclear - recordings don't.
- And when other students ask questions, you'll realise "*hmmm, I didn't understand that, either*"





# Our new way of running laboratories



It's 2024, and UWA moves to a *Bring Your Own Device* (BYOD) approach to teaching.

- Historically, each student was allocated to a 2-hour laboratory session, each week, to complete practical exercises and programming projects.
- But student numbers have grown dramatically, the allocation model has problems, and students prefer to work in different ways.
- We've moved our labs to "***drop-in-sessions***" - times when there's guaranteed to be someone there to help - rather than "*everyone gets a seat at their allocated lab session*".
- You should attend at least one session each week, and are welcome to attend more if requiring extra assistance.



# Embrace Teamwork

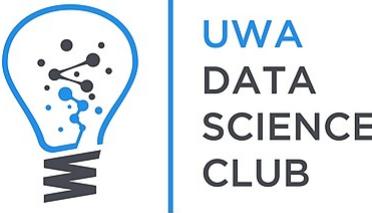


- Many of your units will permit, even require, you to work in teams of 2-6 students.
- Embrace this opportunity to meet other students, learn from their different approaches to learning, and dramatically improve your communication skills.
- Employers highly value communication and teamwork skills!



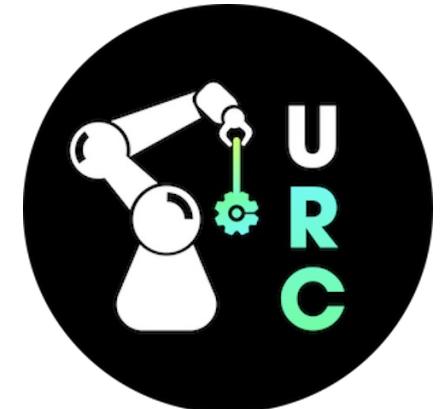


# Get involved with our Student Clubs



Enhance your employability while meeting new, like-minded friends, and connections in our **student clubs and societies**, including:

- Coders for Causes
- Computer Science Students Club
- UWA Data Science Club
- University Computer Club
- UWA Information Security Society
- RoboGals
- UWA Makers
- UWA Robotics Club
- WiEMS (Women in Engineering and Mathematical Sciences)





# Consider Volunteering

**DO GOOD THINGS WITH  
Guild Volunteering**

**Sign up on  
UniHub!**



**VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES**



**EXCURSIONS**



**LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**



**COMMUNITY PARTNERS**



# Feedback is important

**We provide feedback to you** - for all assessed work. Read it! Don't think each assessment item ends with your mark – your feedback will identify what you did well, and where you may have gone wrong. Use that feedback to improve your future assessment. If anything is unclear – ask!

**And we want *your* feedback** - if you have suggestions about how things can be improved or would like to identify something that's not going right, your first point of contact is the unit coordinator. If there's a systemic problem, we want to hear about it quickly, so that it can be fixed for all. Don't leave all your feedback until the end-of-semester surveys.

Offering feedback, particularly *constructive feedback*, is not confrontational.

**Participate** in our student-staff liaison meetings (about week-4 each semester ).



# Look after yourself and others!



Computing units aren't easy, so please take care of yourself, and others - your health matters!

Do your best to maintain a healthy lifestyle this semester, including eating well, getting enough sleep, and taking time to exercise and relax. This will help you achieve your goals and cope with stress.

If you or anyone you know experiences academic-related stress, difficult life events, or feelings like anxiety or depression, *please seek support*.

Consider reaching out to a friend, family member, or UWA staff.

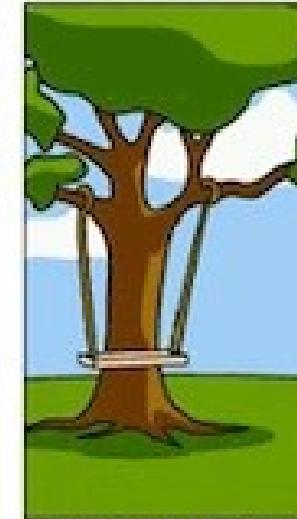
[UWA's Student Life, Wellbeing Hub, Counselling and Support Services](#) offers several very helpful support services, and an important part of your experience at UWA is learning how to ask for help - asking sooner rather than later is important.



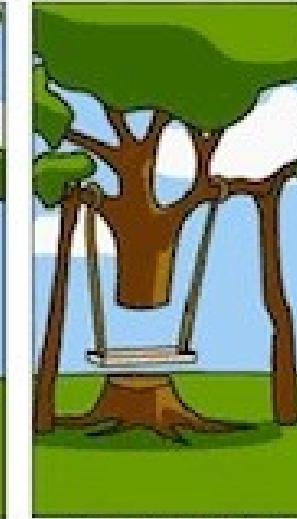
# Embrace advice from unit coordinators



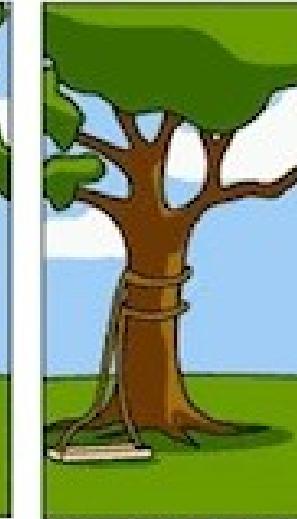
How the customer  
explained it



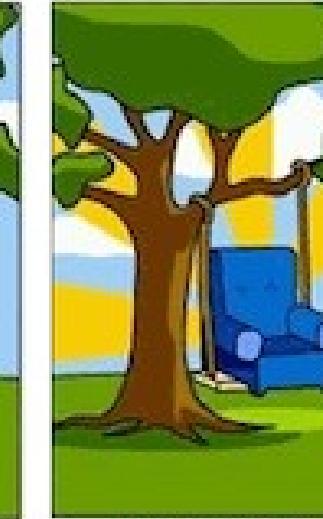
How the project leader  
understood it



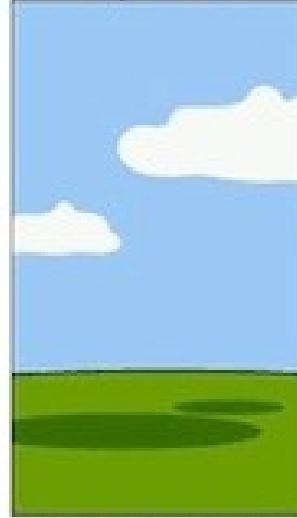
How the engineer  
designed it



How the programmer  
wrote it



How the sales  
executive described it



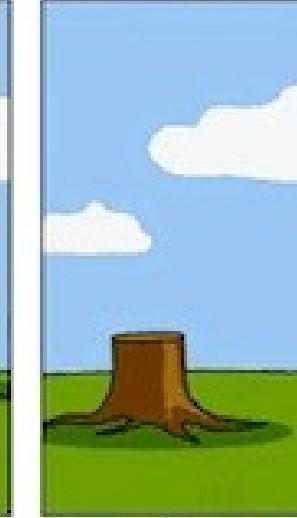
How the project was  
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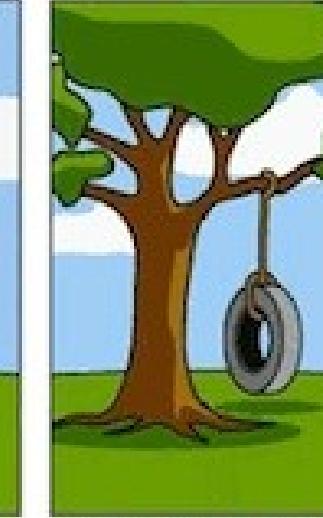
What operations  
installed



How the customer  
was billed



How the helpdesk  
supported it



What the customer  
really needed



# Questions?