

BT4103

BUSINESS ANALYTICS

CAPSTONE PROJECT

COURSE OVERVIEW & PROJECT BRIEFING

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1. Course Overview

Complete (in groups) a [real-world](#) business analytics project based on principles that students have acquired through the degree program

Emphasis will be placed on

- Understanding the objectives of the analytic exercise
- Applying appropriate analytic methods to deliver impactful solutions to clients
- Demonstrating complex analytical results in effective manners (oral & writing)

Teaching Modes

- Group-based consultations with instructors and field supervisors
- Group discussions & group work within the project team
- Self-learning

2. Learning Objectives

Develop professional capabilities

Improve critical-thinking, analytical decision-making and industry-relevant project management capabilities to investigate complex business analytics problems & propose project-based solutions

Develop personal capabilities

Be more self-directed

Be able to communicate effectively through team interactions & consultations

Develop teamwork skills

Be able to manage team and project processes effectively & efficiently

3. Student Tasks

| Project Tasks | Project Management Tasks |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requirements Gathering• Data Collection• Data Preparation• Data Analysis• Visualization• Evaluation <p>Output Slides, Codes, Dashboard, Report</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project Charter (Project Timeline, Roles...)• File Sharing and communication within team and with instructors (MS Team – separate channels)• Weekly Update (Weekly logs, Team Meeting Agenda/Minutes)• Consultation Minutes• Presentations (Requirements, Interim, Final)• Self/Peer evaluation (Interim and Final) |

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4. Course Schedule

| Week | Date | Agenda | Weekly activities |
|------|---------------|---|--|
| 1 | 15-Jan | Course Overview Project briefing | Form a project group of 4-5 members by 15/01 15:00 Bidding starts from 15/01 19:00 Bidding ends at 15/01 21:00 Bidding results available on 17/01 Field supervisor email contacts available on 18/01 |
| 2 | 22-Jan | Meet field supervisors | Contact and meet field supervisors by 24/01 |
| 3 | 29-Jan | Consultation (Optional) | Public Holiday Upload weekly update |
| 4 | 5-Feb | Project planning Consultation 1 | Upload Project Charter by end of week 4 (signed by respective field supervisors) Upload weekly update |
| 5 | 12-Feb | Requirement presentation | Upload presentation slides |
| 6 | 19-Feb | Consultation (Optional) | Upload weekly update |
| | 26-Feb | Recess Week | |
| 7 | 05-Mar | Consultation 2 | Upload weekly update |
| 8 | 12-Mar | Interim presentation | Upload presentation slides Submit mid-term self/ peer evaluation to Canvas |
| 9 | 19-Mar | Consultation (Optional) | Upload weekly update |
| 10 | 26-Mar | Consultation 3 | Upload weekly update |
| 11 | 2-Apr | Consultation (Optional) | Upload weekly update |
| 12 | 9-Apr | Consultation 4 | Upload weekly update Obtain Acceptance Signature from Field supervisors |
| 13 | 16-Apr | Final presentation | Conduct client satisfaction survey Upload presentation slides, reports, and codes Submit final self/ peer evaluation to Canvas |

Weekly consultations & Requirement / Interim presentations will be conducted in person on campus or via Zoom (**cameras must be turned on at all times**).

Final presentation will be conducted in person on campus.

* All submissions to Canvas/MS teams

5. Deliverables

Requirement Presentation

Content

- What is the problem you are trying to solve? Please be specific as much as you can. Rather than state a big and general problem, we will look for a very specific but interesting problem which can be addressed using an appropriate analytical method.
- What are the business settings relevant to your problem? Eg: business processes, business owners, decision makers, analytics users, constraints...
- Why is the problem theoretically, practically and managerially interesting? Also indicate: what are the business decisions or objectives that the project will support?
- How do you design the study or experiment? What method will you use? E.g., theoretical (e.g., mathematical modeling, simulations...), empirical (e.g., econometrics...), experimentation (lab experiments, field experiments, natural experiments?..) and so on. Why do you use this method? Please also indicate what data, analyses, and analytic tools are required.
- What are the functional vs analytical requirements?
- What is your expected outcome?

Format: Slides, 20 min presentation + 5 mins for Q&A

5. Deliverables

Interim Presentation

- Your team is required to deliver a 20 min presentation + 5 mins for Q&A.
- The goal of this presentation is to grasp what you have done so far and the upcoming plans towards project completion
- Dress Code: Business Formal Attire

5. Deliverables

Final Presentation

- Your team is required to make a 20 min presentation + 5 mins for Q&A.
- The goal of this presentation is to understand the whole work that your team have done.
- The panelists will include NUS lecturers and Field Supervisors. At the end of your project, we will conduct the Client Satisfaction Survey.
- Dress Code: Business Formal Attire

5. Deliverables

Documentation

- You are required to submit presentation slides, final report, code, and relevant documents to both NUS lecturers (on MS Team) and your Company. Please also attach the Supervisor Acceptance Letter in your final report.
- Final report should include the following:
 - Executive summary
 - Analytic requirements
 - Function requirements (system, data source...)
 - System design/user interface/platform. Please justify your choice of method/performance indicator/model/design (e.g., How did you come up with that choice and why choose it over available methods in literature? Please also cite the relevant literature.)
 - Use case
 - Recommendation (if applicable)
 - Conclusion
- Code and Data
 - Please submit data sample/real data to MS Team. **If you do not have the data sample, do describe in your report how we could access the data source.**
 - Ensure that your code is readable (commenting & documenting; use comments to explain why things are happening...)

5. Deliverables

Weekly Log

- Content
 - i. What did you achieve last week and who did it
 - ii. What are you planning to do next
 - iii. What are your current challenges?
 - iv. How are you going to overcome? Do you need support from clients and us? What are your expected outcomes?
- Format
 - Follow the template “Weekly log template.docx” in CANVAS

6. Assessment

| Individual Component | | Group Component | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Consultation Participation | 25% | Presentations + Project Deliverables | 50% |
| Weekly Logs + Peer review submissions | 10% | Client Satisfaction | 15% |

Note: The score for the group component will be normalized based on individual contribution to the team, which will be determined via a peer evaluation process and a client satisfaction survey at the mid/end of the semester

Project list

| | Company | Title |
|----|---|---|
| 1 | Vantage Point Security Pte Ltd | Testing As A Service (TAAS) |
| 2 | Vantage Point Security Pte Ltd | SecureSpec: AI-Driven Security Testing Framework |
| 3 | Vantage Point Security Pte Ltd | Project TROT |
| 4 | Vantage Point Security Pte Ltd | Automated CIS Benchmark Compliance Verification System |
| 5 | paymentinapp Inc.(Korea), PIAPP PTE. LTD.(Singapore) | UrbanFlow: AI-Driven Mobility-as-a-Service for Seamless Public Transit |
| 6 | Marsh | Marsh eTrack - Client Emissions Tracker |
| 7 | Hare Innovation Company Limited | TransactAI - Personal Account Dealing |
| 8 | Owna House Services Company Limited | Popup Verbal Reasoning Challenge: Practice Made Easy |
| 9 | ST Engineering | Multimodal Transportation Dashboard |
| 10 | Tata Group | Development of forecasting model for China, Japan, Korea HRC Price and arrive at import parity triangulation for landed prices in India for Tata Steel |
| 11 | Tata Group | Develop an analytical engine to deliver a 360-degree view of customers by aggregating and analyzing data from diverse customer touchpoints for Tata Steel |
| 12 | Tata Group | Customer Experience (CX) Platform Evaluator Using Large Language Model (LLM) for Tata Steel |
| 13 | RetiMark SG Pte Ltd | Leveraging Analytics for Success: Data-Driven commercialization Strategies for iDMas DR Across Diverse Markets |
| 14 | DSO National Laboratories | Investigating the Vulnerabilities of Question-Answering System |
| 15 | Recce Labs | LLM-Powered Marketing Analytics Dashboard Development |
| 16 | NUS ODPRT | AI Chatbot for NUS ODPRT |

Questions?