

# **Project Management & Engineering Practice (GENG5505)**

**Introductory Course Session**

**26<sup>th</sup> February 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2024**

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- **Welcome to GENG5505!**
- **Teaching team :** Kelly, Danielle, Luvha and Jonathon (contact details available in the unit outline).
- **Weekly lectures:** Two face-to-face lectures also recorded on LMS/Blackboard.
- **Weekly practical class:** One weekly face-to-face practical class (Tuesday 2pm, 3pm, 4pm and Thursday 3pm, 4pm & 5pm).
- **COVID Contingency Plan**
- **Groups formation** (randomly on LMS).

**YOUR 1<sup>st</sup> TASK:** One-page group/project summary (Word doc.) to be sent to me by email by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 5pm (WK 2). Inclusions:

- **Students' family and given name (alphabetical order) and students ID.**
- **Your UWA email address.**
- **Group name and practical class attended.**
- **Group communicator.**
- **List of 6/7 project names (depending on group students number) following a priority order that you as a group wish to research (*Rule: First arrive, first served*). **Projects included in the list available on LMS are not allowed to be chosen this semester.****
- **For the additional information to be included in the group/project summary, please refer to the unit outline pp 13-14.**

- **Assessment summary:** Group project (30%) due Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April (WK7); Project presentation (individual) 15% due on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April (WK7); Final examination (55%) date TBA – Please refer also to the unit outline p. 10.
- **Textbook required:** Please refer to the unit outline p. 8.
- **Plan for next practical class (WK2):** (Case study group discussion, please read the case studies at the end of Ch2 & Ch3 of textbook before class). **Please refer to the detailed practical class schedule in the unit outline pp. 18 to 20.**
- **Potential challenges:**
  - Working with group/team colleagues.
  - Implementing effective, ongoing communication with group colleagues.
  - Adapting and/or managing cultural differences within the group.
  - Adapting and/or managing personality differences within the group.
- **Opportunities:**
  - Learn how to work and communicate effectively and efficiently in a virtual, online group/team context.
  - Learn how to work in a group/team context in which cultural and personality differences are the norm.
  - Learn how to manage and lead a virtual group/team working online.
  - Be proactive and lead by example.

..... and many more!