

Tutorial 1 - Questionnaire

Tutorial 1 is designed to help first year, first semester students (many of which have no previous experience with code) ready to build basic android applications. We'd like to ask a few questions regarding your experience with this tutorial.

Based on this tutorial - what are your first impressions of this course?

From what we did here today I would say the course seems to be potentially far more engaging than GENG1803 and feels far more relevant to what software engineers actually signed up to study. It's also better value in a course as it is teaching some basic programming fundamentals as well as the teamwork skills that were attempted to be passed on in 1803

What did you think of the helloPurr exercise? Note that this should be considered in the context of a "hello world" exercise. It is just to get the environment setup and working. Do you think it reasonable students will have this running within the 2 hours?

I think as a starting exercise it is very appropriate and, with the instructions provided, doesn't require much more than a basic user level of knowledge. Any student that struggles with this should probably consider seeking extra assistance or whether they should be doing the course in the first place.

More advanced users or people with prior experience will probably find the exercise somewhat tedious as is

Do you think this tutorial has too much information/too little information?

I think for people with little to no programming experience the amount of information provided in this initial exercise is appropriate. For more advanced students or students with prior programming experience, I feel they will probably find the information fairly basic and somewhat repetitive

Were there any parts of the tutorial where you felt frustrated or stressed with the material? If so, please comment. It is possible we need to include more information regarding this aspect.

The only thing that was mildly frustrating was the amount of times that the basic "login and do this" instructions had to be read

Any other comments:

Overall I feel like this would be a much better course and feel like, for the software engineers at any rate they will get far more out of the course and find it far more interesting than GENG1803
