Update on Assignments & Exam

02 Feb 2012

Marks Allocation

- Assignments (40%)

- Exams (60%)

Assignment

- Term paper
  - Choose 1 out of several topics provided
  - 5-page paper
    - Main body makes compelling case to address selected topic
    - Additional relevant supporting info may be placed in Annex (but do not assume it will read)
  - Submission deadline
    - Due by 6 pm on 29 March 2012 (Thu)
    - Electronic (pdf)
    - Mail to dislhy@nus.edu.sg

Project Teams

- Student presentations (on 5 Apr & 12 Apr 2012)
  - Total time available = 60 x 4 = 240 minutes
  - Each slot 20 minutes (including 5 mins for Q&A)
  - No. of teams = 240 / 20 = 12 (max)

- Forming teams
  - No. of registered students: 55
  - Suggest 11 teams of 5 pax each

Topic 1

- According to UNESCO, "e-Governance is the public sector's use of information and communication technologies with the aim of improving information and service delivery, encouraging citizen participation in the decision-making process and making government more accountable, transparent and effective". To what extend do you agree that the Singapore Government has succeeded in achieving these goals? Where are gaps and areas of improvement?

Topic 2

- Prepare a study of eGovernment's new modes of engagement (choose one: open data, crowdsourcing, or social media) in Singapore.

- Comment on existing initiatives (e.g., REACH).

- Identify areas where more can be done. Discuss the challenges and propose recommendations to address them.

Topic 3

- Refer to the document on "Ten Principles for Opening Up Government Information" issued by the Sunlight Foundation, August 11, 2010.

- Prepare a critique on how a Singapore Government open data initiative satisfy the ten principles articulated.

- Identify shortcomings (if any). Provide suggestions and proposed changes to rectify them.

Topic 4

- Prepare a case study of an e-Government initiative in Singapore with primary data collection.

No. of Teams wrt Topics

- 1 – Limit to 2 teams (1a, 1b)
- 2 – Limit to 6 teams
  - Open Data (OD1, OD2)
  - Crowdsourcing (CS1, CS2)
  - Social Media (SM1, SM2)
- 3 – Limit to 2 teams (3a, 3b)
- 4 – No limit (4a, 4b, …)
  - e-government initiative must differ

- Topic selection completed by 9 Feb 2012

Exam

- Date: 24 Apr 2012

- Short questions
  - Answer <u>6</u> questions out of 10 – 12 provided