

Unit Outline
CMPE3008 Software Engineering Testing
Semester 1, 2022

Unit study package code:	CMPE3008
Mode of study:	Internal
Tuition pattern summary:	<p>Note: For any specific variations to this tuition pattern and for precise information refer to the Learning Activities section.</p> <p>Lecture: 1 x 2 Hours Weekly Practical: 1 x 1 Hours Weekly</p> <p>This unit does not have a fieldwork component.</p>
Credit Value:	25.0
Pre-requisite units:	<p>COMP1001 (v.0) Object Oriented Program Design or any previous version <i>OR</i> COMP1007 (v.0) Programming Design and Implementation or any previous version <i>AND</i> ISAD1000 (v.0) Introduction to Software Engineering or any previous version</p>
Co-requisite units:	Nil
Anti-requisite units:	CMPE5000 (v.0) Advanced Software Engineering Testing or any previous version
Result type:	Grade/Mark
Approved incidental fees:	Information about approved incidental fees can be obtained from our website. Visit fees.curtin.edu.au/incidental_fees.cfm for details.
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Learning Management System: [Blackboard](https://lms.curtin.edu.au) (lms.curtin.edu.au)

Acknowledgement of Country

We respectfully acknowledge the Indigenous Elders, custodians, their descendants and kin of this land past and present. The [Centre for Aboriginal Studies](#) aspires to contribute to positive social change for Indigenous Australians through higher education and research.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Curtin University is committed to supporting all our students and staff whether they are on campus, working remotely or overseas. Your health, safety and wellbeing are our priority and the continuing COVID-19 pandemic may require changes to the unit schedule, learning activities, delivery modes and assessment to provide flexible and safe options to our community. Curtin will endeavour to keep changes and disruptions to a minimum at all times. For current advice and further information visit <https://www.curtin.edu.au/novel-coronavirus/>.

Syllabus

An in depth examination of unit, integration and system testing and the maintenance of large software based systems. Topics include automated and manual techniques for generating and validating test data, the testing process, static vs. dynamic analysis, functional testing, inspections, and reliability assessments. Testing approaches based on graph theory, finite state machines, formal specifications, logic and syntax based testing. Testing of graphical user interfaces, Stress testing. Development of a software configuration management plan encompassing tool selection, identification of artefacts, baseline and change control, measurement, auditing and reporting and release of deliverables. To provide practical knowledge of a variety of ways to test software, an understanding of some of the trade-offs between testing techniques, and a feel for the practice of software testing.







Introduction

This unit presents software testing as an engineering activity, essential to producing high-quality software. This unit will provide students with software testing and analysis methods for software quality assurance. Students will learn how to practically apply theory to design tests based on test criteria.







Unit Learning Outcomes

All graduates of Curtin University achieve a set of six Graduate Capabilities during their course of study. These inform an employer that, through your studies, you have acquired discipline knowledge and a range of other skills and capabilities which employers would value in a professional setting. Each unit in your course addresses the Graduate Capabilities through a clearly identified set of learning outcomes. They form a vital part in the process referred to as assurance of learning. The learning outcomes notify you of what you are expected to know, understand or be able to do in order to be successful in this unit. Each assessment for this unit is carefully designed to test your knowledge of one or more of the unit learning outcomes. On successfully completing all of the assessments you will have achieved all of these learning outcomes.

Your course has been designed so that on graduating you will have achieved all of Curtin's Graduate Capabilities through the assurance of learning processes in each unit.

On successful completion of this unit students can:		Graduate Capabilities addressed
1	Utilise techniques for generating and validating test data	 
2	Conduct unit, integration, and systems tests	 
3	Explain concepts and techniques for testing software and assuring its quality	 

Curtin's Graduate Capabilities

	Apply discipline knowledge, principles and concepts		Innovative, creative and entrepreneurial		Effective communicators with digital competency
	Globally engaged and responsive		Culturally competent to engage respectfully with local First Peoples and other diverse cultures		Industry connected and career capable

Find out more about Curtin's Graduate Capabilities at the Curtin Learning and Teaching website: clt.curtin.edu.au

Learning Activities

- This unit includes one two-hour lecture and a one one-hour practical/tutorial per week.
- Lectures will cover materials in the lecture notes. Practicals will cover all materials listed out in the practical/tutorial sheets.
- Practicals are for you to work through the tutorial problems with the assistance of the tutor. (There is no Lab/Tut session in the first week of the semester)
- All material covered in the lectures, practicals and listed within the reading is examinable.

Learning Resources

Essential texts

The required textbook(s) for this unit are:

- Paul Ammann and Jeff Offutt, Introduction to Software Testing, Cambridge University Press, Second Edition, December 2016
(ISBN/ISSN: 9781107172012)

Assessment

Assessment policy exemptions

- There are no exemptions to the assessment policy

Assessment schedule

	Task	Value %	Date Due	Unit Learning Outcome(s) Assessed	Late Assessments Accepted?*	Assessment Extensions Considered?*
1	Mid-semester Test	25%	Week: 7 Day: Lecture Day Time: Lecture Time	1	No	No
2	Group assignment incl presentation	25%	Week: 12 Day: Monday Time: 8:00am	1,2,3	Yes	Yes
3	Final exam	50%	Week: Examination Weeks Day: TBA Time: TBA	1,2,3	No	No

*Please refer to the Late Assessment and the Assessment Extension sections below for specific details and conditions.

Detailed information on assessment tasks

1. The mid-semester test will be an in-class test where available. Information on the exact topics to be covered will be given via Blackboard.
2. Refer to the assignment specification. Groups will be in sizes of TWO to FOUR. You may choose your own group members. Those without a group will be assigned a group. Refer to Blackboard during the semester for appropriate links.
3. The final exam will cover all topics throughout the semester and will be an in-person exam where available.

Pass requirements

- Attempts and submit the assignment, and
- Achieve at least 40% in the exam, and
- Achieve at least 50% overall.

Assessment Moderation

Fair assessment through moderation

Moderation describes a quality assurance process to ensure that assessments are appropriate to the learning outcomes, and that students work is evaluated consistently by assessors. Minimum standards for the moderation of assessments are described in the Assessment and Student Progression Manual, available from policies.curtin.edu.au/findapolicy/

Pre-marking moderation

Moderation complies with the practices outlined in the assessment manual.

Intra-marking / Post-marking moderation

Moderation complies with the practices outlined in the assessment manual.

Late assessment

Where the submission of a late assessment is permitted, late penalties will be consistently applied in this unit.

Where a late assessment **is** permitted for an assessment item or the entirety of the unit (refer to the Assessment Schedule table in this Unit Outline) and the student does not have an approved assessment extension:

1. For assessment items submitted within the first 24 hours after the due date/time, students will be penalised by a deduction of 5% of the total marks allocated for the assessment task;
2. For each additional 24 hour period commenced an additional penalty of 10% of the total marks allocated for the assessment item will be deducted; and
3. Assessment items submitted more than 168 hours late (7 calendar days) will receive a mark of zero.

Where late assessment **is NOT** permitted for an assessment item or the entirety of the unit (refer to the Assessment Schedule table in this Unit Outline) and the student does not have an approved assessment extension:

1. All assessment items submitted after the due date/time will receive a mark of zero.

Assessment extension

Where an application for an assessment extension **is** permitted for an assessment item(s) within this unit (refer to the Assessment Schedule table in this Unit Outline):

1. A student who is unable to complete an assessment item by/on the due date/time as a result of exceptional circumstances beyond the student's control, may apply for an assessment extension on the Assessment Extension Application Form as prescribed by the Academic Registrar. The form is available on the Forms page at <https://students.curtin.edu.au/essentials/forms-documents/forms/> and also within the student's OASIS (My Studies tab – Quick Forms) account.
2. The student will be expected to submit their application for an Assessment Extension with supporting documentation [via the online form](#).
3. Timely submission of this information supports the assessment process. For applications that are declined, delayed submission may have significant ramifications on the possible marks awarded.
4. An application may be accepted up to five working days after the due date/time of the assessment item where the student is able to provide a verifiable explanation as to why they were not able to submit the application prior to the assessment due date/time

Where an application for an assessment extension **is NOT** permitted for an assessment item(s) within this unit (refer to the Assessment Schedule table in this Unit Outline):

1. All assessment items submitted after the due date/time will be subject to late penalties or receive a mark of zero depending on the unit permitting late assessment submissions.

Deferred assessments

If your results show that you have been granted a deferred assessment you should immediately check OASIS for details.

Deferred examinations/tests will be held from 13/07/2022 to 22/07/2022 . Notification to students will be made after the Board of Examiners' meeting via the Official Communications Channel (OCC) in OASIS.

Further assessment

Further assessments, if granted by the Board of Examiners, will be held between 13/07/2022 and 22/07/2022 . Notification to students will be made after the Board of Examiners meeting via the Official Communications Channel in OASIS.

It is the responsibility of the student to be available to complete the requirements of a further assessment. If your results show that you have been granted a further assessment you should immediately check OASIS for details.

Reasonable adjustments for students with disabilities/health circumstances likely to impact on studies

A [Curtin Access Plan](#) (CAP) is a document that outlines the type and level of support required by a student with a disability or health condition to have equitable access to their studies at Curtin. Carers for people with disability may also be eligible for support. This support can include alternative exam or test arrangements, study materials in accessible formats, access to Curtin's facilities and services or other support as discussed with an advisor from [AccessAbility Services](#).

Documentation is required from your treating Health Professional to confirm your health circumstances or carer responsibilities.

If you think you may be eligible for a CAP, please contact AccessAbility Services. If you already have a CAP please provide it to the Unit Coordinator in week 1 of each study period.

Referencing style

The referencing style for this unit is Chicago 17th B.

More information can be found on this style from the Library web site:

<https://libguides.library.curtin.edu.au/uniskills/referencing/chicago17>.

Privacy

As part of a learning or assessment activity, or class participation, your image or voice may be recorded or transmitted by equipment and systems operated by Curtin University. Transmission may be to other venues on campus or to others both in Australia and overseas.

Your image or voice may also be recorded by students on personal equipment for individual or group study or assessment purposes. Such recordings may not be reproduced or uploaded to a publicly accessible web environment. If you wish to make such recordings for study purposes as a courtesy you should always seek the permission of those who are impacted by the recording.

Recording of classes or course materials may not be exchanged or distributed for commercial purposes, for compensation, or for any other purpose other than personal study for the enrolled students in the unit. Breach of this may subject a student to disciplinary action under Statute No 10 – Student Disciplinary Statute.

If you wish to discuss this please talk to your Unit Coordinator.

Copyright

The course material for this unit is provided to you for your own research and study only. It is subject to copyright. It is a copyright infringement to make this material available on third party websites without the express written consent of Curtin University.

Academic Integrity (including plagiarism and cheating)

Academic Integrity

Curtin's [Student Charter](#), [Academic Integrity Program \(AIP\)](#), and core [Values](#) guide expectations regarding student behaviour and responsibilities. Information on these topics can be found on the [Academic Integrity Website](#).

Academic Integrity Warnings

An [Academic Integrity Warning](#) may be issued to a New-to-Curtin student in limited circumstances and only where misconduct is not involved.

Academic Misconduct

Staff members are required to report suspected misconduct. [Academic Misconduct](#) means conduct by a student that is dishonest or unfair in connection with any academic work. This includes all types of plagiarism, cheating, collusion, falsification or fabrication of content, and behaviours like falsifying medical certificates for extension. [Contract cheating](#), the use of file sharing, translation services/apps, paraphrasing tools (text-spinners) and assignment help websites also may be considered academic misconduct. The longer term personal, social, and financial consequences of misconduct can be severe, so please ask for help if you are unsure.

If your work is the subject of an inquiry, you will be given an opportunity to respond and appropriate support will be provided. Academic work under inquiry will not be graded until the process has concluded. Penalties for misconduct may include a warning, a reduced or nil grade, a requirement to repeat the assessment, an annulled grade (ANN) or termination from the course. For more information refer to [Statute No.10 Student Discipline and Academic Misconduct Rules](#).

Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Expectations

Curtin students are expected to have reliable internet access in order to connect to OASIS email and learning systems such as Blackboard and Library Services.

You may also require a computer or mobile device for preparing and submitting your work.

For general ICT assistance, in the first instance please contact OASIS Student Support:

oasisapps.curtin.edu.au/help/general/support.cfm

For specific assistance with any of the items listed below, please contact The Learning Centre:

life.curtin.edu.au/learning-support/learning_centre.htm

- Using Blackboard, the I Drive and Back-Up files
- Introduction to PowerPoint, Word and Excel

Additional information

Enrolment

It is your responsibility to ensure that your enrolment is correct - you can check your enrolment through the eStudent option on OASIS, where you can also print an Enrolment Advice.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of every student to be aware of all relevant legislation, policies and procedures relating to their rights and responsibilities as a student. These include:

- the Student Charter
- Values and Signature Behaviours
- the University's policy and statements on plagiarism and academic integrity
- copyright principles and responsibilities
- the University's policies on appropriate use of software and computer facilities

Information on all of the above is available through the University's "Student Rights and Responsibilities" website at: students.curtin.edu.au/rights.

Note: In Australia and other jurisdictions, students are required to complete a screening check prior to undertaking any activities that include children (e.g. surveying children at a school as part of a project). If this applies to you, start by contacting your unit coordinator for advice.

Student Equity


There are a number of factors that might disadvantage some students from participating in their studies or assessments to the best of their ability, under standard conditions. These factors may include a disability or medical condition (e.g. mental illness, chronic illness, physical or sensory disability, learning disability), significant caring responsibilities, pregnancy, religious practices, living in a remote location, or another reason. If you believe you may be unfairly disadvantaged on these or other grounds please contact the appropriate service below. It is important to note that the staff of the University may not be able to meet your needs if they are not informed of your individual circumstances, so please get in touch with the appropriate service if you require assistance.

To discuss your needs in relation to:

- Disability or medical conditions, contact AccessAbility Services: <https://students.curtin.edu.au/personal-support/disability/>
- Elite athletes, contact Elite Athlete Coordinator: <https://stadium.curtin.edu.au/sport/academy/elite-athlete-program/>
- All other grounds, contact the Student Wellbeing Advisory Service: <https://students.curtin.edu.au/personal-support/counselling-guidance/wellbeing/>

Recent unit changes

Students are encouraged to provide unit feedback through **eVALUate**, Curtin's online student feedback system. For more information about **eVALUate**, please refer to evaluate.curtin.edu.au/info/.

 <p>Give feedback on the My Studies tab and you could win prizes</p>	To view previous student feedback about this unit, search for the Unit Summary Report at https://evaluate.curtin.edu.au/student/unit_search.cfm . See https://evaluate.curtin.edu.au/info/dates.cfm to find out when you can eVALUate this unit.
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Recent changes to this unit include:

Introduction to Object Oriented testing using relevant frameworks.

Program calendar

Program Calendar – Semester 1 2022

Week	Begin Date	Lecture	Worksheet	Assessments
Orientation	21 February	Orientation Week		
1.	28 February	Introduction to Unit	--	
2.	7 March	OO Testing	Practical 1	
3.	14 March	Graph Coverage I	Practical 2	
4.	21 March	Graph Coverage II	Practical 3	
5.	28 March	Logic Coverage	Practical 4	
6.	4 April	Input Space Partitioning	Practical 5	
7.	11 April	No Lecture	Practical 6	Mid-Semester Test
8.	18 April	Tuition Free Week		
9.	25 April	Syntax-Based Coverage	Practical 7	
10.	2 May	Web-Based Testing	Practical 8	
11.	9 May	Profiling Analysis	Practical 9	
12.	16 May	Presentations	Practical 10	Group Assignment
13.	23 May	Presentations & Review	Review	
14.	30 May	Study Week		
15.	6 June	Examinations		
16.	13 June	Examinations		