

Final Year Projects

Design Report

Introduction

The Design Report should be written using one of the templates provided and should be a maximum of 12 A4 sized pages (including the references).

The purpose of writing this Design Report is to:

1. report the design decisions made;
2. gain experience in writing about the project;
3. have material to speak about at the presentation.

Structure

In the outline structure below the indicative content and page lengths should only be used as a guideline. The section headings are fixed and **MUST** be used as prescribed – subsections can be added as necessary.

Referencing other academic material is essential and important in the paper. There are a number of different styles that can be used. This will be discussed in the Project Workshops.

The structure of the Design Report is:

Project Title Name

Abstract (10%)

- Use the headings as given in the template
- Between half and one page

I. Introduction (15%)

- What the project is about
- What is the purpose of the project; what is the problem domain?
- Deliverables
- Between 2 and 3 pages

II. Design (65%)

- Description of the design stage of your project
- about 8 pages

References

You should consistently use a recognised style and not have too many references to webpages.

There is also a mark for **Writing Skills** (10%).