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Module Descriptor

ICT Skills Studio (Computing and Mathematics)

Short Title: ICT Skills Studio

Department: Computing and Mathematics

Credits: 5 Level: Intermediate

Description of Module / Aims

Continue to develop the students' programming skills with a particular focus on modern web development tools, frameworks and applications. A strong emphasis industry best practice - with close attention software configuration management tools. The Studio will also support a forum for talks and seminars from industry on technology trends and work practices.

Programmes

stage/semester/status

COMP-0521 Higher Diploma in Science in Computer Science (WD KCOSC G)

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Indicative Content

- Consolidating programming principles & practices
- Elementary algorithms & data structures
- Web development applications design & implementation
- Server side and client side aspects of web wevelopment
- Current trends in software development technology

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, a student will be able to:

- 1. Construct a simple but robust server-rendered web application.
- 2. Differentiate the role of the client and server in this context.
- 3. Break a problem domain into a series of discrete features.
- 4. Manage the assets of a project in a configuration management environment.

Learning and Teaching Methods

- Supervised, guided and scripted practicals will lead the student through the construction of selection of small applications, designed to illustrate key concepts covered in the lectures.
- Worked Laboratory Exercises.
- Short Lectures to outline specific concepts.

Learning Modes

Learning Type	F/T Hours	P/T Hours
Lecture	24	
Practical	24	
Independent Learning	87	

Assessment Methods

	Weighting	Outcomes Assessed
Continuous Assessment	100%	
Assignment	100%	1,2,3,4

Assessment Criteria

<40%: Unable to interpret, describe or implement key components of a simple web application.

40%-49%: Be able to construct a minimal web application, incorporating server side rendering.

50%–59%: Design and implement a web application including basic database and session support.

60%-69%: All of the above including a simple model of the application structure.

70%-100%: All the above to an excellent level. Incorporate Unit Tests for a specific subset of an application.

Supplementary Material(s)

- Richard-Foy, J. Play Framework Essentials. New York: Packt Publishing, 2014.
- Syed, B. Beginning Node.js. New York: Apress, 2014.

Requested Resources

• Computer Lab: BYOD Lab