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# **Module Descriptor**

Project 2 IT (Research)
(Computing and Mathematics)

# Project 2 IT (Research) (A14883)

Short Title: Project 2 IT (Research)

Department: Computing and Mathematics

Credits: 5 Level: Advanced

### Description of Module / Aims

This module gives the student experience in completing their research-based work. This module continues the work completed in semester 1, with a focus on data gathering and analysis, all of which will culminate in the student deriving answers to their research questions. These answers should make a solid contribution to the body of knowledge in their chosen research area.

### **Programmes**

# Pre-Requisite(s)

• Project 1 IT (Research)

#### **Indicative Content**

- Incorporate feedback from project supervisors/examiners, relating to the work done in Semester 1, that work being a literature review and consequent formulation of a research question, and initial investigative work on appropriate research methodologies, including data gathering strategies
- Complete the consideration of the research methodologies to be used, and design of the data collection instruments
- Further develop the student's ability to write referenced academic and technical reports, principally a required final dissertation, not less than 4000 words and not more than 6000 words, accompanied by a poster and a video
- To provide the student with the opportunity (and requirement) to meet with a supervisor week by week and to complete the work according to the initial or a revised plan
- To enable the student to apply investigative, problem-solving and technical knowledge to address issues as they arise

# Learning Outcomes

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

- $\it 1.$  Intergrate feedback from Project 1.
- 2. Create the research question(s), using the appropriate methodologies.
- 3. Reflect on limitations and potential of the chosen methodology and resulting discoveries.
- 4. Validate the final dissertation, with accompanying video and poster and competently discuss the research area, showing competence in research methods.

#### Learning and Teaching Methods

- $\bullet$  Weekly meetings with project supervisors.
- Self-directed learning using library and Internet sources.
- Validation of chosen methology, techniques and findings.

# **Learning Modes**

Learning Type	$\mathbf{F}/\mathbf{T}$ Hours	P/T Hours
Tutorial	6	
Independent Learning	129	

#### **Assessment Methods**

Weighting	Outcomes Assessed
100%	1,2,3,4

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- <40%: Failure to incorporate feedback. Failure to competently demonstrate understanding of research.
- 40%–49%: Produces basic set of findings. Produces complete set of documentation. Able to demonstrate own work in competent manner.
- 50%–59%: As above and produces a solid set of robust findings. Documentation and reports are clear and of good quality. Comprehensive knowledge of methologies and techniques.
- 60%-69%: As above and findings make a contribution to research area. Demonstrates ability to solve unfamiliar research problems. Shows good judgement in technology selection. Documentation shows evidence of ability to see limitations or potential in approaches used.
- 70%-100%: As above and produces an excellent piece of research with equally excellent documentation. Demonstrates ability to abstract ideas and reflect on the research process.

# Requested Resources

• Room Type: Computer Lab