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Module Descriptor

Web App Development 1 (Computing and Mathematics)

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Short Title: Web App Development 1

Department: Computing and Mathematics

Credits: 5 Level: Introductory

Description of Module / Aims

Introduce the student to the software development lifecycle via the implementation of a simple but functional web application. In doing this, analyse & model a constrained set of user requirements. Then design, build and deploy a simple web application. Incorporate basic database, session support & server side rendering.

Programmes

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COMP-0597	BEng (Hons) in Information Engineering (International) (WD EEELC BI)	3 / 6 / M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Applied Computing (International) (WD_KACCM_BI)	3/5/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Applied Computing (WD_KACCM_B)	1/2/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Applied Computing (WD KCOMP B)	1/2/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Computer Forensics and Security (WD KCOFO B)	1/2/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Computer Science (WD_KCMSC_B)	1/2/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Creative Computing (WD_KCRCO_B)	2/4/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Software Engineering (WD KDEVP BI)	2/4/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in Software Systems Development (WD KDEVP B)	2/4/M
COMP-0597	BSc (Hons) in the Internet of Things (International) (WD KINTT BI)	3 / 6 / M
COMP-0597	BSc in Information Technology (WD_KINFT_D)	2/4/M
COMP-0597	BSc in Multimedia Applications Development (WD_KMULA_D)	2/4/M
COMP-0597	BSc in Software Systems Development (WD_KCOMC_D)	2 / 4 / M

Indicative Content

- User Stories & Agile context
- Introduction to Modelling
- Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) Request/Response Life Cycle
- Introductory Web Application Frameworks
- Simple Object Relational Mapping tools
- Test Driven Development

Learning Outcomes

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

- 1. Identify the key components of a server rendered web application and incorporate them into a running application.
- 2. Use Model View Controller & related patterns in the implementation of a web project.
- $\it 3.$ Relate the request/response lifecycle, routing & session management in the context of a modern application framework.
- 4. Convert a set of requirements into a set of discrete stories and translate these stories into a simple project plan with associated timeline and testing strategy.
- 5. Model the user requirements and realize the model in a simple database.

Learning and Teaching Methods

- Lectures will introduce the general context of the curriculum, and explore specific topics in depth.
- 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.
- Each practical will propose a set of exercises to be solved in a subsequent practical.
- Assignment One will focus on the enhancement of the guided application.
- Assessment Two will invite the student to analyse, design and implement a basic but functional new application.

Learning Modes

Learning Type	\mathbf{F}/\mathbf{T} Hours	P/T Hours
Lecture	24	
Practical	24	
Independent Learning	87	

Assessment Methods

	Weighting	Outcomes Assessed
Continuous Assessment	100%	
Assignment	50%	1,2,3
Assignment	50%	3,4,5

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)

- Henderson, M. Instant CakePHP Starter. New York: Packt Publishing, 2013.
- 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