



COIT12200 *Software Design & Development*

Term 1 - 2022

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General Information

Overview

In this unit you will learn both theoretical and practical aspects of software engineering. The theory will focus on software processes, requirements engineering, modelling, architectural design, object-oriented design, software development methodology, testing, and quality assurance. You will also be introduced to the principles of software re-use, software evolution and configuration management. You will develop multi-tiered software application having presentation, application and data persistence tiers. You will also learn test-driven software application development using appropriate tools, thus building solid foundations for software development.

Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 2*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Pre-requisites: (COIT11134 and COIT11237) OR (COIT11134 and COIT12167).

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 1 - 2022

- Brisbane
- Cairns
- Melbourne
- Online
- Rockhampton
- Sydney
- Townsville

Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

Class Timetable

[Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

[Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

Assessment Overview

1. **Practical and Written Assessment**

Weighting: 25%

2. **Practical and Written Assessment**

Weighting: 35%

3. **Project (applied)**

Weighting: 40%

Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

Previous Student Feedback

Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

Feedback from Student feedback

Feedback

Lack of focus on the MVP pattern. All three assessments are based around MVP but the topic is not taught clearly and in-depth.

Recommendation

Add more materials about the theoretical descriptions of MVP in-depth and relevant practical programming exercises and examples.

Feedback from Student feedback

Feedback

The unit concepts were a little outdated and this unit uses the old standard toolkit, Java swing.

Recommendation

Revise the unit content and use the recent standard toolkits such as JavaFX for Java programs.

Feedback from Self-reflection

Feedback

MySQL Server is a popular open-source DBMS for application development. Proficiency in MYSQL will enhance students job-ready skills.

Recommendation

Replace JavaDB with MySQL and provide supporting resources to download, install and use.

Unit Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Prepare software requirements specification following requirements engineering
2. Apply modelling techniques to document architectural and system models as per the requirements specification
3. Design and implement a multi-tiered software application consisting of presentation, application and data persistence tiers.
4. Conduct test-driven development, validation and verification testing
5. Discuss quality management in a range of different design and development scenarios
6. Work independently and collaboratively in small teams.

Australian Computer Society (ACS) recognises the Skills Framework for the Information Age (SFIA). SFIA is a widely used and consistent definition of ICT skills. SFIA is increasingly being used when developing job descriptions and role profiles. ACS members can use the tool MySFIA to build a skills profile at <https://www.acs.org.au/professionalrecognition/mysfia-b2c.html>.

This unit contributes to the following workplace skills as defined by SFIA 7. The SFIA code is included:

Requirements Definition and management (REQM)

User Experience Analysis (UNAN)

Software Design (SWDN)

System Integration and Build (SINT)

Programming/Software Development (PROG)

Database Design (DBDS)

Testing (TEST)

Quality assurance (QUAS)

Quality management (QUMG).

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

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Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

COIT12200

Prescribed

Software Engineering Global Edition (10e)

Edition: 10 (2015)

Authors: Ian Sommerville

Pearson Education Limited

Harlow , United Kingdom

ISBN: 9781292096131

Binding: Paperback

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- Java Development Kit (JDK) 1.8 or later
- Violet Uml editor 2.1.0 or later
- JavaFX Scene Builder 2.0 or later
- MySQL Database Server 8.0.21 or later
- NetBeans IDE8.2 or a higher version

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - 07 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Introduction and Software Processes	Chapters 1 and 2	

Week 2 - 14 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Requirements engineering	Chapter 4	

Week 3 - 21 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
System modelling	Chapter 5	

Week 4 - 28 Mar 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Architectural design	Chapter 6	

Week 5 - 04 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Design and Implementation	Chapter 7	Assignment 1 Due: Week 5 Friday (8 Apr 2022) 11:45 pm AEST

Vacation Week - 11 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Week 6 - 18 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Agile software development	Chapter 3	

Week 7 - 25 Apr 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Software testing	Chapter 8	

Week 8 - 02 May 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Software evolution and Software Reuse	Chapters 9 and 11	

Week 9 - 09 May 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Quality management	Chapter 24	

Week 10 - 16 May 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Configuration management	Chapter 25	Assignment 2 Due: Week 10 Friday (20 May 2022) 11:45 pm AEST

Week 11 - 23 May 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Dependable systems	Chapter 10	

Week 12 - 30 May 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Security engineering	Chapter 13	

Review/Exam Week - 06 Jun 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
		Project Due: Review/Exam Week Friday (10 June 2022) 11:45 pm AEST

Exam Week - 13 Jun 2022

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Assessment Tasks

1 Assignment 1

Assessment Type

Practical and Written Assessment

Task Description

You will demonstrate your ability in applying the principles of requirement engineering by eliciting the functional and non-functional requirements, documenting requirements specification, modelling the system and designing the system architecture and implementation. In this assignment task, you will be using the topics learned in Weeks 1-4. Complete details are in the Assignment 1 Specification document available from the Unit website.

Assessment Due Date

Week 5 Friday (8 Apr 2022) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Week 7 Friday (29 Apr 2022)

Weighting

25%

Assessment Criteria

This is an individual assignment and contributes to 25% of the total marks.

- Apply software design and development principles.
- Complete appropriate documentation for requirements, system modelling, and design, software implementation.
- Illustrate a detailed design for a layered information system using appropriate design methods.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Prepare software requirements specification following requirements engineering
- Apply modelling techniques to document architectural and system models as per the requirements specification

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence

2 Assignment 2

Assessment Type

Practical and Written Assessment

Task Description

In this assignment, you are required to develop, debug, and test a software application having a three-layered architecture with a front-end graphical user interface(GUI), middle layer implementing the business logic and a back-end to persist the data. You will also be documenting a test plan to systematically test the developed application and a quality plan retrospectively prepared to demonstrate how you would have commenced the application development with a quality plan in place to deliver a system meeting the quality requirements. You will be using the topics learned in weeks 1-9 in this assignment. Complete task details are in the Assignment 2 Specification document available from the Unit website.

Assessment Due Date

Week 10 Friday (20 May 2022) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Week 12 Friday (3 June 2022)

Weighting

35%

Assessment Criteria

This is an individual assignment and contributes to 35% of the total marks.

- Analyze the given problem and design a three-tier software application by following the software development principle.
- Complete appropriate documentation for requirements, system modeling, design, and software implementation.
- Implement the designed system including the graphical user interface, business logic and database objects.
- Rigorous testing of software applications.
- Use quality management in the development processes.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Design and implement a multi-tiered software application consisting of presentation, application and data persistence tiers.

Graduate Attributes

- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Technology Competence

3 Project

Assessment Type

Project (applied)

Task Description

You will demonstrate your ability to analyze a given case study, develop requirement specification and a quality plan to implement a three-tiered software application. You will document both system and user requirements, system architecture, and detailed design of the system. In this project, working in a small team, you should use revision control to merge components developed by team members, and apply test tools to conduct testing as per the developed test plan. Your software application will have a front-end graphical user interface(GUI), a business logic layer, and a data persistence layer.

Assessment Due Date

Review/Exam Week Friday (10 June 2022) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Exam Week Friday (17 June 2022)

Weighting

40%

Assessment Criteria

This is a paired work and contributes to 40% of the total marks. You are required to complete the project in pairs.

- Analyze the given problem and design a three-tier software application by following the software development principle.
- Complete appropriate documentation for requirements, system modelling, design, and software implementation.
- Implement the designed system including the graphical user interface, business logic and database objects.
- Rigorous testing of software applications.
- Use quality management in the development processes.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Group leader to submit a copy

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Prepare software requirements specification following requirements engineering
- Apply modelling techniques to document architectural and system models as per the requirements specification
- Design and implement a multi-tiered software application consisting of presentation, application and data persistence tiers.
- Conduct test-driven development, validation and verification testing
- Discuss quality management in a range of different design and development scenarios
- Work independently and collaboratively in small teams.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Team Work
- Information Technology Competence
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

What can you do to act with integrity?



Be Honest

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



Produce Original Work

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem