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Computing Project

Topic 5:
Final Report

Scope and Coverage

This topic will cover:

- Structure of the final report

- Content of the final report

- Citations and referencing (reminder)

- Appropriate appendices

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this topic, students will be able to:

- Write up the final report.

Structure of the Final Report - 1

Chapters:

1. Introduction
2. Analysis
3. Design
4. Implementation
5. Other Project Matters
6. Conclusion

Structure of the Final Report - 2

- Please refer to the Project Guidelines for details of other things you need to include e.g. Contents page etc.

- The word limit is 6000 words (+/- 500)

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Content of Final Report

Introduction

- This chapter provides the context of your work in terms of:

  - The system developed

  - Justification for the method or framework used

  - The solution that emerged

  - The main aims and objectives of the project

  - A short overview of the remaining chapters

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Analysis

- This main content of this chapter was outlined in Topic 2. It should contain the following sections:

    - Requirements

    - Use Cases

    - Architecture

- This chapter must have an introduction and conclusion.

Design

- This main content of this chapter was outlined in Topic 3. It should contain the following sections:

    - Structural Model
    - Behavioural Model

- This chapter must have an introduction and conclusion.

Implementation

- This chapter describes YOUR approach to implementing YOUR system in terms of:

    - Choice of programming language
    - System cutover from the development architecture to the implementation architecture
    - Data migration from the development architecture and/or existing systems to the implementation architecture
    - Training

- This chapter must have an introduction and conclusion.

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Other Project Matters

- This main content of this chapter was outlined in Topics 1 and 4. It should contain sections on:

  - Project Management

  - Risk Management

  - Configuration Management

  - Testing

- This chapter must have an introduction and conclusion.

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Conclusion

- This chapter is a reflective evaluation of YOUR project in terms of:

  - Whether or not you achieved your aims and objectives
  - What problems occurred and how YOU overcame them
  - Things that YOU may do differently in any further projects that YOU undertake and YOUR reasons for doing so

- In addition, you should comment on any envisaged future development of the system.

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References

- This is the last chapter in your report and should come after the conclusion and before the appendices.

- This chapter contains a list of references.

  - All references you cite within the body of your report should be fully referenced here using the Harvard Style.

  - No reference should appear here unless it has been cited in the main body of the report.

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Appropriate Appendices

- Appendices may include any supporting material to which a reader might wish to refer, but which is not essential for the main body of the report. This might include:

  - Requirements Catalogue

  - Use Case Descriptions

  - Detailed Class Definitions

  - Test Scripts

  - User Guide

  - System Code

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Assessment

- Your mark for the project will be made up of marks for the following areas:

    - The Project Proposal (10%)
    - The Project Report (70%)
    - The Project Demonstration (10%)
    - The Project Presentation (10%)

- Details of the assessment criteria are available in your Student Guide.

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Important Points

- You must use the structure presented in this lecture for YOUR report.

- Failure to use the structure will result in lost marks.

- You must make yourself familiar with the Harvard Style of referencing.

- If your report does not contain a list of references that are cited in the main body of the report, you will lose marks.

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Any Questions?