

H8DSY: Distributed Systems

Module Code:	H8DSY
Long Title	Distributed Systems APPROVED
Title	Distributed Systems
Module Level:	LEVEL 8
EQF Level:	6
EHEA Level:	First Cycle
Credits:	5
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Departments:	School of Computing
Specifications of the qualifications and experience required of staff	
Learning Outcomes	
<i>On successful completion of this module the learner will be able to:</i>	
#	Learning Outcome Description
LO1	Explain the theory, concepts and principles of distributed systems operation and design
LO2	Demonstrate conceptual, technical and practical skills in the analysis, design and test of distributed systems.
LO3	Explain the theory, concepts and principles of cloud-based distributed systems.
LO4	Demonstrate conceptual, technical and practical skills in the implementation of advanced communication systems.
Dependencies	
Module Recommendations	
No recommendations listed	
Co-requisite Modules	
No Co-requisite modules listed	
Entry requirements	

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Module Content & Assessment			
Indicative Content			
Distributed Systems – Concepts and principles • Distributed Systems Models • Parallel and Distributed Programming Paradigm • Network Programming • Security Options for Distributed Systems			
Web Distributed Systems • Web Services Technologies • Semantic Web • Semantic Web Services • Personalised Web • Distributed Recommender Systems • Socket programming (Client/Server communication, Sockets and threading, Abstract service methods)			
Cloud-based Distributed Systems • Distributed and cloud-based storage architectures and file systems • Services in the Cloud Computing • Programming Distributed systems using Amazon Web Services and Windows Azure			
Peer-to-Peer Networks • Peer-to-Peer concepts • Distributed Hash Tables • Comparison of P2P algorithms • Group Communication • Peer-to-Peer Overlay Networks and Properties			
Ubiquitous Distributed Systems and the Internet of Things • Trends in supporting Ubiquitous Computing • Distributed Systems for Social and Professional Networking • Distributed Systems for Multimedia			
Internet of Things • Enabling Technologies for the Internet of Things • Applications of the Internet of Things			
Assessment Breakdown			%
Coursework			60.00%
End of Module Assessment			40.00%
Assessments			
Full Time			
Coursework			
Assessment Type:	Project	% of total:	30
Assessment Date:	n/a	Outcome addressed:	2,4
Non-Marked:	No		
Assessment Description: Sample Project: This project should be done in groups of two. You are required to choose an area of interest to develop a dynamic distributed systems (e.g. online shopping, distributed game, distributed social network, etc.) The system should have 6 main functional requirements and to allow communication to take place using two components such as address book, chatroom etc. You are required to provide personalisation and recommendation to the user, to integrate web services and integrate cloud-based platforms.			
Assessment Type:	Assignment	% of total:	30
Assessment Date:	n/a	Outcome addressed:	1,2,3,4
Non-Marked:	No		
Assessment Description: Series of continuous practical assessments and learning activities given throughout the semester. Sample Practical Assessment - In class test using the P2P Pastry Example Description: Using the code on Moodle (chat source code), modify the application so that the user can enter the text of the specific message they want to send to a specific node.			
End of Module Assessment			
Assessment Type:	Terminal Exam	% of total:	40
Assessment Date:	End-of-Semester	Outcome addressed:	1,2,3,4
Non-Marked:	No		
Assessment Description: End-of-Semester Final Examination			
No Workplace Assessment			
Reassessment Requirement			
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Module Workload				
Module Target Workload Hours 0 Hours				
Workload: Full Time				
Workload Type	Workload Description	Hours	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload
Lecture	No Description	24	Per Semester	2.00
Tutorial	No Description	12	Per Semester	1.00
Independent Learning	No Description	89	Per Semester	7.42
Total Weekly Contact Hours				3.00

Module Resources	
<i>Recommended Book Resources</i>	
Maarten van Steen,Andrew S. Tanenbaum. (2017), Distributed Systems, Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, p.582, [ISBN: 978-1543057386]. Amy Elser. (2012), Guide to Reliable Distributed Systems, Springer Science & Business Media, p.730, [ISBN: 978-1447124153]. Kai Hwang,Geoffrey C. Fox,J. J. Dongarra. (2012), Distributed and Cloud Computing, Morgan Kaufmann Pub, p.648, [ISBN: 978-0123858801]. Javier Fernández González. Mastering Concurrency Programming with Java 8, [ISBN: 1785886126].	
<i>Supplementary Book Resources</i>	
Brendan Burns. Designing Distributed Systems, 1st Edition. O'Reilly, [ISBN: 9781491983645]. James Kurose,Keith Ross. (2016), Computer Networking, 7th Edition. Pearson, [ISBN: 978-1292153599].	
<i>This module does not have any article/paper resources</i>	
<i>This module does not have any other resources</i>	
Discussion Note:	