GENERAL INFORMATION

Subject Coordinator
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Subject Organisation
Session: Spring Session, Wollongong Campus
Credit Points: 6 credit points
Contact hours per week: 1 hr lect, 2 hrs tut
Lecture Times & Location: Tuesday, 10.30 AM – 11.30 AM & 35G45
Tutorial Day, Time and Location can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/student/sols/timetables/index.html

Students should check the subject's web site regularly as important information, including details of unavoidable changes in assessment requirements will be posted from time to time via e-learning space http://www.uow.edu.au/student/lol. Any information posted to the web site is deemed to have been notified to all students.

Content
This subject examines the emergence of electronic information supermarkets and the changes in ownership that have taken place within the online information industry as mass media conglomerates have entered the field. Other aspects covered include: the role of government in the development of online databases and networks; the creation of "value-added" products through re-formatting, marketing and electronic delivery of information; the future of public information sources such as libraries and government data collection and publication agencies in a changing online environment; and the potential of network developments in the delivery of online information resources. Students will be required to use some electronic information services including Australian and International databases and other online information resources.
Objectives
A student who successfully completes this subject should be able to: (i) Identify major online information vendors and producers (both private sector and government) within Australia and internationally; (ii) Describe the services provided by online vendors and the means by which access to them can be achieved; (iii) Analyse the potential of network developments in the delivery of information; (iv) Discuss comparative value of a variety of electronic information resources and assess their usefulness; (v) Debate the issues affecting traditional information providers like libraries as more electronic services become available and information brokerages become more common; (vi) Complete practical exercises to a satisfactory level of achievement using a number of electronic information services including: online databases, CD-ROMs and a variety of resources through the Internet.

Attendance Requirements
It is the responsibility of students to attend all lectures/tutorials/labs/seminars/practical work for subjects for which you are enrolled.

It should be noted that the amount of time spent on each 6 credit point subject should be at least 12 hours per week, which includes lectures/tutorials/labs etc

Satisfactory attendance at lectures and tutorials is a requirement for the successful completion of this course. Satisfactory attendance is deemed to be attendance at approximately 80% of the allocated contact hours. However, attendance per se is not a component of assessment. Students MUST attend their allocated tutorial unless they have the written permission of the subject coordinator.

Method of Presentation
This subject comprises of lectures and tutorials.

Lecture Schedule
A proposed Lecture schedule for the subject is as follows:

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<td>Introduction to the subject</td>
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<td>Revision and Exam information</td>
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Subject Materials
There is no prescribed text book for the subject. Students are encouraged to use the library catalogue and databases to locate additional readings.

Assessment
This subject has the following assessment components.

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<td>Assessment one</td>
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<td>Research and analysis</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>Hard copy -Week 4 tutorial , Soft copy 14th August 9:00 a.m</td>
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<td>Assessment two</td>
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<td>Research report 20%</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>Week 11 tutorial, Soft copy 9 October 9:00 a.m</td>
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<td>Seminar presentation 10%</td>
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<td>Tutorial participation</td>
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<td>(read weekly tutorial material before coming and discuss in class in tutorial)</td>
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<td>Exam</td>
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Notes on Assessment
The question for assignment 1 will be released in week 1 of the session. Assignments are to be submitted in the
nominated week of Session as stated above. Both Hardcopy and Softcopy to be submitted. Soft copies should be
submitted via eLearning space. Hard Copy assignments needs to be accompanied by a SISAT Assignment Cover Sheet;
NOTE: signing this cover sheet confirms the attached work is ENTIRELY your own work (any COPIED work earns
both parties ZERO). Penalties may apply to all late work, except in the case of protracted (and certified) illness.

Unless otherwise notified by the subject coordinator, all written assignments must be submitted electronically
All assignments are expected to be completed independently. Plagiarism may result in a FAIL grade being recorded for
that assignment.

Please note:
- All assessment must be completed. Failure to comply may result in a fail grade being recorded.
- The group assignment must be handed in hardcopy at the BEGINNING of the tutorial, assignments will not be
  accepted at any other time.
- All hardcopies of assignments must be submitted with a School Assignment Cover Sheet.
- Late submissions may be penalised 10% per working day.
- All special consideration applications must be lodged through SOLS.
- All work will be returned in tutorials.
- Detailed instruction of assignments will be placed on eLearning space under the heading “Assessment”.
- Students must make a serious attempt and perform satisfactorily on all phases of the subject to pass. In
  particular, all components of the subject must be seriously attempted and students must achieve at least 40 per
  cent on the final examination to complete the subject; that is, to obtain an overall mark of 45 or higher.

Special Consideration Policy
The School recognises that it has a responsibility to ensure equity and consistency across its subjects for all students.
Sometimes, in exceptional circumstances, students need to apply for special consideration in order to complete all
assessable work.

The University applies strict criteria to the granting of special consideration. Before applying for special consideration
students should carefully read the University’s policy. The policy can be found at:

As an example: If a student requires an extension of time for the completion of an assignment this may be granted in
certain circumstances. A request for an extension must be made to the Subject Coordinator via SOLs before the due
date.

Scaling
Final results in this subject may be scaled. The scaling method that may be used in this subject is as follows.
If E is the student exam mark, and A is the student assignment mark, the student final mark will be determined as
follows:

if E >= 40% of the maximum exam mark: then student final mark is E + A;
if 35% <= E < 40% of the maximum exam mark: then student final mark is $\min\{E+A, 47\}$
if E < 35% of the maximum exam mark: then student: final mark is $\min\{E+A, 42\}$

Additional Information
Students must refer to the Faculty Handbook or online references which contain a range of policies on educational
issues and student matters.

Supplementary Exams
Supplementary Exams will be dealt with in accordance with Special Consideration Policy

While the School normally grants supplementary exams when the student does not sit the standard exam for an
acceptable reason, each case will be assessed on its own merit and there is no guarantee a supplementary exam will be
granted. If a supplementary exam is granted, you will normally be notified via SOLS Mail of the time and date of this
supplementary exam. You must follow the instructions given in the email message.

Please note that if this is your last session and you are granted a supplementary exam, that your results will not
be processed in time to meet the graduation deadline.
Plagiarism

When you submit an assessment task, you are declaring the following
1. It is your own work and you did not collaborate with or copy from others.
2. You have read and understand your responsibilities under the University of Wollongong's policy on plagiarism.
3. You have not plagiarised from published work (including the internet). Where you have used the work from others, you have referenced it in the text and provided a reference list at the end of the assignment.
4. Plagiarism will not be tolerated.
5. Students are responsible for submitting original work for assessment, without plagiarising or cheating, abiding by the University’s policies on Plagiarism as set out in the Calendar under University Policies, and in Faculty handbooks and subject guides. Plagiarism has led to the expulsion from the University.

Student Academic Grievance Policy

The School aims to provide a fair, equitable and productive learning environment for all its students. The Student Academic Grievance Policy seeks to support the achievement of this goal by providing a transparent and consistent process for resolving student academic grievances.

Any student who has a grievance over a result should obtain a Faculty of Informatics Appeal Against Decision or Action Affecting Academic Experience form from the Informatics Student Enquiry Centre or http://www.uow.edu.au/content/groups/public/@web/@inf/@faculty/documents/doc/uow017433.pdf . The student should firstly form the issue to the marker/lecturer to discuss the matter and, if the student is still not satisfied, s/he should take the next step as outlined on the form.

Once the grievance has been considered by the Faculty, if the student still feels the situation has not been fully resolved s/he may consult the Dean of Students. However, the Dean of Students can have no input into the academic judgement of the lecturer and can only review the grievance to ensure proper procedure has been followed.

For more information, please consult the UOW policy in full at: http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/courserules/studacgrievpol.html

This outline should be read in conjunction with the following documents: