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# SISAT

School of Information Systems & Technology  
Faculty of Informatics

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## ISIT998 IT Research Project Subject Outline Spring Session 2009

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Subject Coordinator

Telephone Number:

Email:

Location:

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Dr Keating's consultation times during session:

Day

Thursday

Friday

Time

12.30pm – 2.30pm

1.30pm – 3.30pm

#### Subject Organisation

Session:

Credit Points

Contact hours per week:

Lecture Times & Location:

Tutorial Day, Time and Location can be found at:

Annual (Spring) Session, Wollongong Campus

12 credit points

Regular meetings with supervisor

No Lectures Times

<http://www.uow.edu.au/student/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/>. Any information posted to the web site is deemed to have been notified to all students.

#### Subject Description

This subject involves undertaking a project. Where possible the projects are related to the research interests of the School and/or staff and are chosen to develop the student's research skills. Each student is required to deliver an oral seminar and to prepare a final thesis on the result of the work undertaken.

#### Subject Objectives

On successful completion of this subject, students will be able to: 1. Demonstrate skills necessary to undertake scholarly research 2. Demonstrate written communication skill through the production of a research report 3. Demonstrate problem solving skill and idea development techniques 4. Demonstrate proficiency in the domain area of chosen project.

#### Graduate Qualities

This subject will continue to the following graduate qualities:

-Informed

-Independent learners

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- Problem solvers
- Effective communicators
- Responsible
- Innovation and Design

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/SubjectInformation/UOW051055.html>

**Attendance Requirements:**

It is the responsibility of students to attend regular meetings with supervisor for this subject. 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.

**Method of Presentation:**

In order to maximize learning outcomes, it is strongly recommended that students attend all lectures.

**Lecture Schedule: This subject has no lectures**

**Subject Materials:**

Any readings/references are recommended only and are not intended to be an exhaustive list. Students are encouraged to use the library catalogue and databases to locate additional readings

**Textbook(s): This subject has no prescribed text**

**Assessment:**

This subject has the following assessment components.

ASSESSMENT ITEMS & FORMAT	% OF FINAL MARK	GROUP/ INDIVIDUAL	DUE DATE
Research report/thesis	100%	Individual	5pm on the last day of the formal examination period.

**Notes on Assessment:**

All assignments are expected to be completed independently. Plagiarism may result in a FAIL grade being recorded for that assignment.

**Electronic Submission of Assessment Items:**

Unless otherwise notified by the subject coordinator, all written assignments must be submitted electronically.

Submission of assessment items via email will not be accepted.

**Other Procedures for the submission of assessment items:**

All assignments will be returned within 2 weeks of their submission.

**Procedures for the return of assessment items:**

**Penalties for late submission of assessment items:**

Penalties apply to all late work, except if student academic consideration has been granted. Late submissions will attract a penalty of 25% a day of the assessment mark. This amount is per day including weekends.

Work more than (4) days late will be awarded a mark of zero unless academic consideration has been granted.

## **Tutorial/Lab Closure Policy**

If for any reason, the number of students in a tutorial or lab falls below a sustainable enrolment level, as determined by the Head of School, tutorials/labs offered for that subject may be collapsed or deleted.

You will have to attend the new tutorials/lab if this closure affects the one you are attending.

We will endeavour to make this decision no later than Week 4 of session.

## **Supplementary Exams**

Supplementary Exams will be dealt with in accordance with student academic consideration policy (<http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/studentacademicconsiderationpolicy.pdf>) 9.2 Timing of Supplementary Exams.

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 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, be aware that your results will not be processed in time to meet the graduation deadline.**

## **Student Academic 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 student academic consideration in order to complete all assessable work.

The University applies strict criteria to the granting of student academic consideration. Before applying for student academic consideration, students should carefully read the University's policy which can be found at: <http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/studentacademicconsiderationpolicy.pdf>.

## **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.

Students must remember that:

Plagiarism will not be tolerated.

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 University Handbook under University Policy Directory 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. (<http://www.uow.edu.au/content/groups/public/@web/@inf/@faculty/documents/doc/uow017433.pdf>) The student should firstly take the form 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 judgment of the lecturer and can only review the grievance to ensure proper procedure has been followed.

### Relevant University Policies, procedures and students services:

For more information students must refer to the Faculty handbook, online references or consult the UOW policy in full at <http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/courserules/studacgrievpol.html> which contains a range of policies on educational issues and student matters.

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

Code of Practice - Teaching and Assessment <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/codesofprac/teaching_code.pdf">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/codesofprac/teaching_code.pdf</a>	Code of Practice - Students <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/codesofprac/cop_students.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/codesofprac/cop_students.html</a>
Code of Practice-Honours <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/CodeofPractice-Honours.pdf">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/CodeofPractice-Honours.pdf</a>	Acknowledgement Practice <b>Plagiarism will not be tolerated:</b> <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/courserules/plagiarism.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/courserules/plagiarism.html</a>
Key Dates <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/student/dates.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/student/dates.html</a>	Student Academic Consideration Policy: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/studentacademicconsiderationpolicy.pdf">http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/studentacademicconsiderationpolicy.pdf</a>
Course Progress Requirements: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/student/mrp/index.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/student/mrp/index.html</a>	Graduate Qualities Policy: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/about/teaching/qualities/index.html#_The_new_UOW">http://www.uow.edu.au/about/teaching/qualities/index.html#_The_new_UOW</a>
Academic Grievance Policy (Coursework and Honours students) <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/courserules/studacgrievpol.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/courserules/studacgrievpol.html</a>	Non-Discriminatory Language Practice and Presentation <a href="http://staff.uow.edu.au/eed/nondiscrimlanguage.html">http://staff.uow.edu.au/eed/nondiscrimlanguage.html</a>
Occupational Health and Safety <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/ohs.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/ohs.html</a>	Ownership of Work & Intellectual Property Policy: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/generalcourserules/UOW028651.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/generalcourserules/UOW028651.html</a>
Human Research Ethics Committee: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/research/rso/ethics/human/">http://www.uow.edu.au/research/rso/ethics/human/</a>	Rules for student conduct: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/generalrules/StudentConductRules.pdf">http://www.uow.edu.au/handbook/generalrules/StudentConductRules.pdf</a>
Independent Learners' Introductory Program <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/student/attributes/ilip/">http://www.uow.edu.au/student/attributes/ilip/</a>	Informatics Faculty Librarian, Ms Annette Meldrum, phone: 4221 4637, email: <a href="mailto:ameldrum@uow.edu.au">ameldrum@uow.edu.au</a>
Student Support Services: <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/student/services/">http://www.uow.edu.au/student/services/</a> Informatics Faculty SEDLO ( <b>Student Equity and Diversity Liaison Officers</b> ) Virginie Schmelitschek, phone 4221 3833, <a href="mailto:virginie@uow.edu.au">virginie@uow.edu.au</a>	SISAT Internet Access & Student Resource Centre <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/uow024466.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/uow024466.html</a>
SISAT Computer Usage Rules <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/uow024457.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/uow024457.html</a>	SISAT Subject Outlines <a href="http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/UOW055502.html">http://www.uow.edu.au/informatics/sisat/current/UOW055502.html</a>