

University of Macau
Computer and Information Science Department
SFTW440 – Software Engineering Principles
Syllabus
1st Semester 2012/2013
Part A – Course Outline

Elective course in Computer Science

Catalog description:

(3-2) 4 credits. The course discusses the theories, methods and tools of software engineering for developing large and complex software systems. The main contents are requirement specification, system modeling, architectural design, object-oriented analysis and design, verification and validation, and software testing. The Unified Modeling Language (UML) and its CASE tool are used to analyze and design the course project systems.

Course type:

Theoretical with substantial laboratory/practice content

Prerequisites:

None

Textbook(s) and other required material:

- Ian Sommerville: *Software Engineering*, 9th ed. Addison-Wesley, 2011

References:

- Roger S. Pressman: *Software Engineering: A Practitioner's Approach*, 7th ed. McGraw-Hill, 2009.
- L. Maciaszek and B. Liang: *Practical Software Engineering: A Case Study Approach*, Pearson Education, 2005.
- Craig Larman: *Applying UML and Patterns*, 3rd ed. Prentice-hall, 2005.
- J. Arlow and I. Neustadt: *UML2 and the Unified Process: Practical Object-Oriented Analysis and Design*, 2nd ed. Addison Wesley, 2005

Major prerequisites by topic:

None

Course objectives*:

1. Introduce the concepts of software engineering. [a, b, c, e]
2. Specify and analyze requirements of software system. [a, b, c, e, g]
3. Model software system design with UML. [a, b, c, e, g, k]
4. Verify and validate software system. [a, b, c, e, g]

Topics covered:

- **Introduction of Software Engineering (6 hours):** Introduce the concepts of software, software engineering, software process, software process model, software costs, attributes of good software, software engineering methods and key challenges, professional and ethical responsibility, emergent system properties, system engineering, legacy systems, and system dependability.
- **Software development processes (3 hours):** Discuss software development process models, process iteration, process activities, Rational Unified Process, and Computer-Added Software Engineering (CASE).

- **Software Requirements Analysis and Specification (6 hours):** Analyze and specify the requirements model, including functional and non-functional requirements, requirements engineering processes, requirements elicitation and analysis, requirements definition and specification, requirements validation and management, system models, use case diagram and conceptual class diagram, use case definition, pre and post condition and constraints.
- **Architectural Design (6 hours):** Study the architectural design of software systems, including system architectural design decisions and views, architectural patterns and application architectures.
- **System Analysis, Design and Implementation (9 hours):** Apply object-oriented method to developing software systems, including object concept and class identification, object-oriented design using UML, design patterns and implementation issues.
- **Verification and Validation (3 hours):** Understand the concepts of software verification and validation, software inspection, automated static analysis, verification and formal methods, clean-room software development.
- **Software Testing (3 hours):** Study the software testing, including system testing, component testing, white and black box testing, test case design and test automation.

Note: the topics of software project management are covered by a compulsive course SFTW497: Software Project Management.

Class/laboratory schedule:

Timetabled work in hours per week			No of teaching weeks	Total hours	Total credits	No/Duration of exam papers
Lecture	Tutorial	Practice				
3	2	Nil	14	70	4	1 / 3 hours

Student study effort required:

Class contact:	
Lecture	42 hours
Tutorial	28 hours
Other study effort	
Self-study	36 hours
Homework assignment	10 hours
Project / Case study	20 hours
Total student study effort	136 hours

Student assessment:

Final assessment will be determined on the basis of:

Homework	20%	Project	30%
Mid-term	20%	Final exam	30%

Course assessment:

The assessment of course objectives will be determined on the basis of:

- Homework, project and exams
- Course evaluation

Course outline:

Weeks	Topic	Course work
1-2	Introduction of Software Engineering Concepts of software, software engineering, software process and model, software costs and attributes, software engineering methods and key challenges, emergent system properties, and system dependability.	Review UML and use its CASE tool
3	Software Development Processes Software development process models, process iteration, process activities, Rational unified process, and Computer-Added Software Engineering (CASE).	Assignment#1 & Course Project Instruction
4-5	Software Requirements Analysis and Specification Requirements model, functional and non-functional requirements, requirements engineering process, requirements elicitation and analysis, requirements definition, specification, validation and management.	Assignment#2 & Project Requirements Model
6-7	Architectural Design Architectural design decisions and views, architectural patterns and application architectures	Assignment#3 Project Requirements Model (revised)
8	Mid-Project Presentation Presentation of the course project requirements models	Midterm Exam
9 -11	System Analysis, Design and Implementation Object concept and class identification, object-oriented design using UML, design patterns and implementation issues.	Assignment#4 & Project Design Model
12-13	Verification and Validation, and Software Testing The concepts of software verification and validation, software inspection, automated static analysis, verification and formal methods, clean-room software development, System and component testing, white and black box testing, test case design and test automation.	Assignment#5 & Project System Validation and Testing
14	Final-Project Presentation	Course Project Report

Contribution of course to meet the professional component:

This course prepares students to work professionally in the area of software development.

Relationship to CS program objectives and outcomes:

This course primarily contributes to Computer Science program outcomes that develop student abilities to:

- (a) an ability to apply knowledge of computing, science, and engineering.
- (b) an ability to design and conduct experiments, as well as to analyze and interpret data.
- (c) an ability to design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability.
- (e) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems.
- (g) an ability to communicate effectively.
- (k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice

Relationship to CS program criteria:

Criterion	DS	PF	AL	AR	OS	NC	PL	HC	GV	IS	IM	SP	SE	CN
Scale: 1 (highest) to 4 (lowest)		2					2				3		1	

Discrete Structures (DS), Programming Fundamentals (PF), Algorithms and Complexity (AL), Architecture and Organization (AR), Operating Systems (OS), Net-Centric Computing (NC), Programming Languages (PL), Human-Computer Interaction (HC), Graphics and Visual Computing (GV), Intelligent Systems (IS), Information Management (IM), Social and Professional Issues (SP), Software Engineering (SE), Computational Science (CN).

Course content distribution:

Percentage content for			
Mathematics	Science and engineering subjects	Complementary electives	Total
0%	100%	0%	100%

Coordinator:

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Persons who prepared this description:

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Rubric for Program Outcomes

Rubric for (a)	5 (Excellent)	3 (Average)	1 (Poor)
Use a correct model and formulation correctly	Students choose a model correctly and properly apply correct techniques.	Students choose a wrong model sometime, use a wrong formula, or a different technique.	Students use a wrong model and wrong formula, or do not know how to model.
Rubric for (b)	5 (Excellent)	3 (Average)	1 (Poor)
Design experiments	Student understands what needs to be tested and designs an appropriate experiment that takes into account the limitations of the equipment and measurement accuracy.	Student understands what needs to be tested and designs an appropriate experiment, but may not fully understand the limitations of the measurements.	Student does not understand what needs to be tested and/or does not design an appropriate experiment.
Rubric for (c)	5 (Excellent)	3 (Average)	1 (Poor)
Design capability and design constraints	Student understands very clearly what needs to be designed and the realistic design constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability.	Student understands what needs to be designed and the design constraints, but may not fully understand the limitations of the design constraints.	Student does not understand what needs to be designed and the design constraints.
Rubric for (e)	5 (Excellent)	3 (Average)	1 (Poor)
Modeling, problem formulation and problem solving	Students choose and properly apply the correct techniques.	Students model correctly but cannot select proper technique or model incorrectly but solve correctly accordingly.	Students at loss as to how to solve a problem.
Rubric for (g)	5 (Excellent)	3 (Average)	1 (Poor)
Written component	Document is nearly error free with sophisticated use of vocabulary, formatted properly, with well-developed concise sentences and paragraphs.	Document contains some errors with a somewhat colloquial vocabulary, minor formatting issues, with some organizational issues that do not interfere with communication.	Document contains many errors, very colloquial vocabulary, with severe organizational issues that interfere with communication. Document would be considered unacceptable.
Rubric for (k)	5 (Excellent)	3 (Average)	1 (Poor)
Use modern principles, skills, and tools in engineering practice	Student applies the principles, skills and tools to correctly model and analyze engineering problems, and understands the limitations.	Student applies the principles, skills and tools to analyze and implement engineering problems.	Student does not apply principles and tools correctly and/or does not correctly interpret the results.

