

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT (ISTN31E)
WESTVILLE**

STUDENT GUIDE - 2011

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1. TITLE OF THE MODULE

Project Management

2. MODULE CODE

ISTN31E

3. CREDIT VALUE OF THE MODULE

8 credit points

4. PREREQUISITES FOR THIS MODULE

Credit for ISTN101 or COMP100, ISTN102 or COMP102, ISTN211 and ISTN212

5. PURPOSE OF THE MODULE

To enable students to manage information systems projects.

6. STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC LEARNING OUTCOMES

The various learning outcomes will include being able to -:

- Describe the key issues relating to Project management in terms of why it is needed and the processes it involves
- Discuss issues relating to team dynamics, roles and communications
- Discuss and apply work breakdown, scheduling and resource allocation in project management
- Identify areas of risk and strategies to monitor and control risk
- Discuss and apply quality criteria and professionalism
- Use and apply project management tools and techniques (PERT, GANNT) & software in definition, implementation & modification of project goals
- Apply lecture theory to the practicalities of managing systems development using the principles of project management

7. LIST OF CONTENT TO BE COVERED

- IT Project Management
- The Human Side
- Scheduling and Resources
- Managing Project Risk
- Quality and Professionalism

8. TYPES OF DELIVERY AND NOTIONAL STUDY HOURS

8.1 Types of Delivery

Students' learning experience for this module will include participation in lectures and virtual tutorials and learning experiences via the Social Learning Network (<http://www.edmodo.com> - You will receive an invitation code to join the course)

8.2 Notional Study Hours

This module has a total of 80 notional study hours allocated to it. There are approximately 20 hours of lectures/tutorials/workshops/virtual sessions built into this course. However, in addition to the formal presentations, students are expected to attend 18 hours of practicals, and spend 29 hours on assignments and reading and 13 hours on revision and tests.

9. METHODS OF ASSESSMENT

The final module mark is calculated using:

Weighting Factor	Percentage
Test (8 March 2011)	20%
Project (22 March 2011)	20%
Examination	60%
Final module mark	100%

The sub-minimum mark for the semester examination is 40%. Students, who obtain a mark of below 40% for the examination, but obtain a final module mark of 50% or higher, will still be required to write and pass the supplementary examination to obtain a credit for the semester. Students failing to obtain the sub-minimum in the supplementary examination will fail the course.

A credit will be granted for ISTN31E to students who have a final module mark of at least 50%, AND a sub-minimum of at least 40% in the Final or Supplementary examination.

10. LECTURES AND TUTORIALS

The course commences on 7 February and runs through to the 17 March 2011. Details of the times and dates of the lectures will be made available.

11. LECTURERS

The lecturers involved in this module are:

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12. PRESCRIBED & RECOMMENDED TEXTS

This module will be based on a variety of readings from various sources. The details of these will be made available during the course.

The recommended textbook for this module is;

Information Technology Project Management, International Student Version, 3rd Edition,
Jack T. Marchewka (copies of this will be available in the library)

13. NOTICES

All notices will be published through the Social Learning Network – <http://www.edmodo.com>. Except in the case of weekends and holidays a period of 24 hours will be regarded as sufficient time for students to have acquainted themselves with any notice displayed here. Students are also expected to check their email within a 24 hour period, as important information will also be communicated through this medium. NOTE: After a period of 24 hours has elapsed (excluding weekends and public holidays) it will be assumed that all students are familiar with the contents of published notices/emails.

PLEASE NOTE: email, and Edmodo are the recommended forms of communication with the lecturers and tutors on this course.

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