# UNIVERSITY OF EAST LONDON

# UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION BSc (Hons) Computer Networks

Programme Title	BSc (Hons) Computer Networks	
Intermediate awards available	Cert. H. E, Dip. H. E., BSc	
Teaching Institution(s)	FTMS, Malaysia	
	AMC, Greece	
Alternative Teaching Institutions	-	
UEL Academic School	School of Architecture, Computing and Engineering	
UCAS code	-	
Professional Body Accreditation	-	
Relevant QAA Benchmark statements	Computing	
Additional Versions of This Programme	N/A	
Date specification last up- dated	July 2017	

# **Programme Aims and Learning Outcomes**

# This programme is designed to give you the opportunity to:

- Gain knowledge of modern techniques, protocols, software tools and applications across the area of computer networks.
- Contribute to development of a security policy for an organisation.
- Develop your awareness of the management, economic, legal, social, professional and ethical issues relating to computer networks.
- Learn and work both independently and within groups.
- Develop the necessary study skills and knowledge to pursue further study.

# What will you learn?

### Knowledge

- How to design and implement networked computer systems.
- How computer hardware and software work together to provide a platform for computer systems.
- How computer systems can be linked together using networks and data communication techniques.
- How to develop secure networks and their importance.

#### Thinking skills

Problem solving.

- Evaluation and critical analysis.
- Self-appraisal and review of personal practice.

# **Subject-Based Practical skills**

- Use of a range of specialised computer technology, such as programming languages, databases, operating and network systems.
- Preparation of essays, reports and presentations.
- Production of a major self-directed project.

# Skills for life and work (general skills)

- Communication Skills.
- Time management.
- Learning and working both independently and in groups

# **Learning and Teaching**

# **Learning environment**

Our teaching emphasises practical skills, giving you as much chance as possible to take learning out of the classroom and apply your new abilities in real-life situations.

You'll have access to first-class teaching and learning facilities and a wide range of computing resources. We use specialised labs to study operating system environments such as Windows Server and Linux, as well as networking and web technologies. You'll be given software tools for programming, database development, internet access and web-based development.

In your final year, you'll work on a year-long individual project of your choice. It's a chance to follow your own interests, though our research team are there to offer ideas, inspiration or advice.

Throughout the course, you'll be supported by a personal tutor. There are also specialist support services for students with dyslexia or English as a second language, as well as advice services for an accommodation, finance, career, IT training and learning resources.

#### Assessment

Knowledge is assessed by

- examinations, both unseen and based on previously supplied case studies
- extended essays and reports
- multiple choice tests

Thinking skills are assessed by

- all assessment tasks set, particularly those requiring critical evaluation
- self-appraisal of performance
- use of appropriate problem solving skills

Practical skills are assessed by

- assessment tasks requiring use of general and specialised IT applications
- use of equipment in practicals and presentations

Skills for life and work (general skills) are assessed by

- evidence of group and team working
- ability to work to time constraints

# **Project work**

Students in level 6 complete a year long academic project. This is a major piece of individual work that allows the students to choose the direction of their study, allowing students to develop their own ideas and integrate the various subjects studied.

Students are encouraged to provide their own ideas for the project, but there is always a collections of topics provided by staff from which students can choose.

# **Programme Structure**

#### Introduction

All programmes are credit-rated to help you to understand the amount and level of study that is needed.

One credit is equal to 10 hours of directed study time (this includes everything you do e.g. lecture, seminar and private study).

Credits are assigned to one of 5 levels:

- equivalent in standard to GCE 'A' level and is intended to prepare students for year one of an undergraduate degree programme
- 4 equivalent in standard to the first year of a full-time undergraduate degree programme
- 5 equivalent in standard to the second year of a full-time undergraduate degree programme
- 6 equivalent in standard to the third year of a full-time undergraduate degree programme
- 7 equivalent in standard to a Masters degree

# **Credit rating**

The overall credit-rating of this programme is 360 credits. The module structure of this programme is:

Level	Module Code	Module Title	Distance learning Y/N	Credits	Status*
4	CN4101	Information Systems Modelling and Design	N	30	Core
4	CN4102	Introduction to Software Development	N	30	Core
4	CN4106	Introduction to Web Technologies	N	15	Core
4	CN4104	Introduction to Computer Systems and Networks	N	30	Core

4	CN4107	Maths for Computing	N	15	Core
5	CN5101	Database Systems	N	30	Core
5	CN5104	Computing in Practice	N	15	Core
5	CN5109	Web Application Development	N	30	Core
5	CN5108	Systems Administration	N	15	Core
5	CN5122	Data Communications and Networks	N	30	Core
6	CN6103	Project	N	45	Core
6	CN6106	Network Design and Management	N	30	Core
6	CN6107	Computer and Network Security	N	15	Core
6	CN6112	Project Management	N	15	Core
6	CN6113	Information Security and Risk Management	N	15	Core

<sup>\*</sup>Please Note – A core module for a programme is a module which a student must have passed (i.e. been awarded credit) in order to achieve the relevant named award. An optional module for a programme is a module selected from a range of modules available on the programme.

# **Typical duration**

The expected duration of this programme is three (3) years full-time or five (5) years part-time.

It is possible to move from full-time to part-time study and vice-versa to accommodate any external factors such as financial constraints or domestic commitments. Many of our students make use of this flexibility and this may impact on the overall duration of their study period.

A student cannot normally continue study on a programme after 4 years of study in full time mode unless exceptional circumstances apply and extenuation has been granted. The limit for completion of a programme in part time mode is 8 years from first enrolment.

#### **Further Information**

Further information about this programme is available from:

- The UEL web site (http://www.uel.ac.uk)
- FTMS, Malaysia (http://www.ftms.edu.my/Main/)
- AMC, Greece (<a href="http://www.mitropolitiko.edu.gr">http://www.mitropolitiko.edu.gr</a>)
- UEL Manual of General Regulations http://www.uel.ac.uk/qa/
- UEL Quality Manual http://www.uel.ac.uk/qa/
- School of Architecture, Computing and Engineering at UE http://www.uel.ac.uk/ace/

Additional Costs	
N/A	
Alternative Locations of Delivery	
N/A	

External examiner reports (available from UEL virtual learning environment (Moodle))

The Programme Handbook

Module Study Guides