



The University of Southern Queensland

## Course specification

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Please consult the web for updates that may occur during the year.

### Description: Computing Complementary Studies B

Subject	Cat-nbr	Class	Term	Mode	Units	Campus
CSC	8490	90572	2, 2009	EXT	1.00	Toowoomba

<b>Academic group:</b>	FOSCI
<b>Academic org:</b>	FOS003
<b>Student contribution band:</b>	2
<b>ASCED code:</b>	020199

### STAFFING

Examiner: Hua Wang  
Moderator: Stijn Dekeyser

### REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in one of the following Programs: BINH or GCAC or GCPC or GDAC or GDPC or MCOP or MPIT or MPCP

### RATIONALE

This course exists to satisfy the needs for some flexibility in Honours and Masters programs in Computing to cater for the widely varying interests and chosen specialisations of students.

### SYNOPSIS

The course provides the opportunity for a student to pursue an area of study that will complement the other studies in the student's program. Typically the course will consist of specialised investigations extending knowledge and skills in a certain area. The studies could involve, for example, directed readings, extension of the project (where appropriate), or some other approved activity which would complement the student's studies in the program. This course can also be used to host an internship, i.e. in some cases students enrolled in this course may work with an employer to undertake a managed project and obtain credit via this course. This course can be combined with CSC8480 to provide the opportunity to undertake a larger project. In this case, the overall structure of the two courses is similar to one course, but twice as long. This course may also be used as an extension of existing undergraduate courses in cases where a student undertaking an Honours or Masters program wishes to undertake studies in this area. In such cases, approval for the proposed studies must be sought from the Department Postgraduate Coordinator.

### OBJECTIVES

On completion of this course students will be able to:

1. demonstrate knowledge and skills in the complementary study area (Approved Assessment Program).

## TOPICS

Description	Weighting (%)
1. No specific topics can be listed as the content of the course may vary from student to student.	100.00

## TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at <http://bookshop.usq.edu.au> click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).

To be advised by the student's supervisor.

## REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.

## STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

ACTIVITY	HOURS
Private Study	165.00

## ASSESSMENT DETAILS

Description	Marks out of	Wtg (%)	Due date
APPROVED ASSESSMENT PROGRAM	15.00	100.00	13 Nov 2009 (see note 1)

### NOTES

1. Examiner will advise about assignment due dates.

## IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- 1 Attendance requirements:  
See Topics Section.
- 2 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:  
Not applicable.
- 3 Penalties for late submission of required work:  
See Topics Section.
- 4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:  
To be assured of receiving a passing grade a student must achieve at least 50% of the total weighted marks available for the course.
- 5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:

- See Topics Section.
- 6 Examination information:  
See Topics Section.
- 7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:  
See Topics Section.
- 8 University Regulations:  
Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6. Assessment, and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL <http://www.usq.edu.au/corporateservices/calendar/part5.htm> or in the current USQ Handbook.

## **ASSESSMENT NOTES**

- 9 Assessment for the course will also vary according to the nature of the study undertaken by each student. By the end of the third week of semester, the supervisor will provide to the examiner for the approval of the Associate Dean: (1.1) an outline of the study (1.2) an outline of the study (1.3) the format, timing and weighting of the assessment items for the study (1.4) a statement about attendance requirements (1.5) penalties for late submission of required work (1.6) requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course (1.7) the method used to combine assessment results to produce student's final grade (1.8) examination information (1.9) examination period when deferred/supplementary examinations will be held (1.10) any other requirements deemed necessary by the Examiner or the Faculty (1.11) The Examiner will submit the above to the Associate Dean for approval.