

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	COMP 5131
Subject Title	Introduction to Information Systems
Credit Value	3
Level	5
Pre-requisite/Exclusion	Prerequisite: Nil Exclusion: COMP5139 Management Information Systems
Objectives	<p>The objectives of this subject are to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop understanding and appreciation of the role of information systems in business environments to achieve competitive advantage; 2. Provide fundamental knowledge in information system architectures and information technology infrastructure supporting them; 3. Examine the state-of-the-art techniques and technologies that will contribute towards the future development of information systems and their applications; 4. Develop the awareness in issues contributing to the successful planning, design, development, implementation and management of information systems.
Intended Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) articulate the role of information systems in business environments; b) identify up-to-date technologies that can fulfil those roles; and c) articulate advantages and disadvantages of technologies with respect to specific roles and applications.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information systems and the organizations: Computers and the new business environment; strategic use of information systems; organizations and the role of information systems. • Foundations of information systems: Computer systems components; systems software; application software and development tools; trends in hardware and software technology; managing data resources; database management systems and data modeling; data warehousing and future of data management. • Communications and networks: Components of telecommunication system; telecommunication networks; enterprise networking; internet and electronic commerce. • Information Systems Development: Overview of system development process; system implementation; alternative approaches to system development; system development methodologies. • Organizational Support Systems: Knowledge management and the organization; application of intelligent technologies; decision support systems; cooperative work support systems;

	<p>executive support systems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing Information Systems: Computer security and integrity; assuring system quality; assuring data quality; ethical and social issues; managing and planning of computer and communication resources. 																												
Teaching/Learning Methodology	39 hours of Class activities including - lecture, tutorial, lab, workshop seminar where applicable																												
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Reading list and references	<p><i>Text book</i></p> <p>(1) Laudon K.C. & Laudon J.P., Management Information Systems: Managing the Digital Firm, 13th Edition, Prentice Hall, 2014.</p> <p><i>Reference books</i></p> <p>(1) Raymond McLeod & George Schell, Management Information Systems, 10th Edition, Prentice Hall, 2007.</p> <p>(2) R. Kelly Rainer, Jr., Efraim Turban, Introduction to information systems, 2nd Edition, Wiley, 2009.</p> <p><i>Journals and articles</i></p> <p>(1) Communications of ACM.</p> <p>(2) Computer (IEEE Computer Society)</p> <p>(3) MIS Quarterly.</p> <p>(4) Journal of Management Information Systems</p> <p>(5) Journal of Organizational Computing and Electronic Commerce</p> <p>(6) Computerworld.</p> <p>(7) Harvard Business Review</p> <p>(8) Sloan Management Review</p>																												