

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR FORM

Module Information			
Module Title	SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	Module Delivery	
Module Type	CORE	Lecture ✓ Practical ✓	
Module Code	IT1204		
ECTS Credits	7		
SWL (hr/sem)	175		
Module Level	1		
Administering Department	Information technology	College	College of Sciences
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Relation With Other Modules			
Prerequisite module	None	Semester	None
Co-requisites module	None	Semester	None

  
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## Module Aims, Learning Outcomes and Indicative Contents

<b>Module Aims</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To provide a comprehensive understanding of command-line interfaces, programming languages, open-source software and software licenses, data backup, and data encryption.</li> <li>2. To differentiate and compare various elements within each topic, such as CLI types, elements of programming languages, different software licenses, backup methods, and encryption types.</li> <li>3. To understand and evaluate the role and importance of these elements in the field of computer science and daily computing.</li> </ol>
<b>Module Learning Outcomes</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand and articulate the concept of command-line interfaces, their types, and their comparison with graphical user interfaces.</li> <li>2. Understand the basic elements of programming languages, including syntax, type systems, standard libraries, specifications, and implementations.</li> <li>3. Understand the concept of open-source software and be able to distinguish between open-source and proprietary software licensing models.</li> <li>4. Comprehend the importance of data backup and different backup methods.</li> <li>5. Understand the fundamental principles of data encryption, the different types, and their application in operating systems and third-party programs.</li> </ol>
<b>Indicative Contents</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Command-line interfaces: Definition, types, comparison with GUI, shell CLI.</li> <li>2. Programming languages: Basic elements, syntax, type systems, standard libraries, specifications, and implementations.</li> <li>3. Open-source software and software licenses: Definition of open-source software, comparison of open-source licenses, proprietary software licensing models, software cracking and piracy.</li> <li>4. Data backup: Importance of data backup, data backup concepts, backup methods, backup media management.</li> <li>5. Data encryption: Introduction to data encryption, importance of encryption, basics of encryption, types of data encryption on PC, OS built-in and thirdparty encryption programs.</li> </ol>

## Learning and Teaching Strategies

<b>Strategies</b>	The learning and teaching strategies for studying the database subject in an IT department involve a balanced approach of theoretical understanding and practical application. Lectures, interactive discussions, and case studies provide
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	the necessary theoretical foundation. Practical exercises, group work, and projects enable hands-on experience with database management systems. Workshops, demos, and industry examples offer real-world insights. Online resources, assessments, and feedback aid in reinforcing learning. Virtual labs and continuous learning emphasize practical skills development and staying updated with industry trends. These strategies ensure a comprehensive understanding of databases and their relevance in the IT field.
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Student Workload (SWL)			
Structured SWL (h/sem)	60	Structured SWL (h/w)	4
Unstructured SWL (h/sem)	112	Unstructured SWL (h/w)	7.5
<b>Total SWL (h/sem)</b>	172 + 3 final = 175		

Module Evaluation					
		Time/Number	Weight (Marks)	Week Due	Relevant Learning Outcome
<b>Formative assessment</b>	<b>Quizzes</b>	2	4% (8)	3,10	1,2,4
	<b>Lab</b>	4	5% (20)	3,5,7,10	1,2,3,4
	<b>Project</b>	1	4% (4)	13	All outcome
	<b>Homework</b>	4	2% (8)	6,11	All outcome
<b>Summative assessment</b>	<b>Midterm Exam</b>	2 h	10% (10)	7	
	<b>Final Exam</b>	3 h	50% (50)	15	
<b>Total assessment</b>			100% (100)		

## Delivery Plan (Weekly Syllabus)

	<b>Material Covered</b>
<b>Week 1</b>	Introduction, types of CLI, operating system command-line interfaces, application command-line interfaces.
<b>Week 2</b>	Comparison between CLI and GUI, shell CLI.
<b>Week 3</b>	Introduction to programming languages, elements of programming languages, syntax.
<b>Week 4</b>	Type systems, standard library.
<b>Week 5</b>	Specification and implementation in programming languages.
<b>Week 6</b>	Introduction to open-source software, common open-source licenses.
<b>Week 7</b>	Introduction to common open-source licenses.
<b>Week 8</b>	Proprietary software licensing models, software cracking and piracy.
<b>Week 9</b>	Introduction to data backup, data backup concepts, backup methods.
<b>Week 10</b>	More on backup types
<b>Week 11</b>	Backup media management. Backup media management.
<b>Week 12</b>	Introduction to encryption, the importance of encryption, basics of encryption.
<b>Week 13</b>	Introduction to encryption, the importance of encryption, basics of encryption.
<b>Week 14</b>	Types of data encryption on PC, OS built-in encryption programs.
<b>Week 15</b>	Preparatory week before the final Exam

## Delivery Plan (Weekly Lab. Syllabus)

weeks	Material Covered
<b>Week 1</b>	Familiarize with the Command Prompt and basic CLI commands such as dir, cd, copy, del, move.
<b>Week 2</b>	Practice creating, navigating, renaming, and deleting directories and files using CLI.
<b>Week 3</b>	Learn advanced file operations like finding files, comparing files, and using wildcards.
<b>Week 4</b>	Understand the concept of input and output redirection, learn to use pipes to combine commands.
<b>Week 5</b>	Introduction to batch files, create simple batch scripts.
<b>Week 6</b>	Learn to use variables in batch programming, receive input from users.
<b>Week 7</b>	Understand and implement if-else logic in batch programming.
<b>Week 8</b>	Understand and implement loop structures such as for and while loops in batch programming.
<b>Week 9</b>	Learn to create and use functions in batch programming.
<b>Week 10</b>	Understand error handling and exception management in batch programming.
<b>Week 11</b>	Write advanced batch scripts combining learned elements
<b>Week 12</b>	Learn how to automate repetitive tasks using batch scripts.
<b>Week 13</b>	Understand and use CLI commands for network operations such as ping, ipconfig, and netstat.
<b>Week14</b>	Learn to create batch scripts for network operations.
<b>Week 15</b>	Finalize and present a self-created project utilizing learned skills, review key learning points.

## Learning and Teaching Resources

	Text	Available in the Library?
<b>Required Texts</b>	"Computer Organization and Architecture" by William Stallings	no
<b>Recommended Texts</b>		
<b>Websites</b>	<a href="https://www.tutorialspoint.com/basics_of_computer_science/index.htm">https://www.tutorialspoint.com/basics_of_computer_science/index.htm</a>	

<b>GRADING SCHEME</b>				
<b>Group</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Marks (%)</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>Success Group (50 - 100)</b>	<b>A - Excellent</b>	Excellent	90 - 100	Outstanding Performance
	<b>B - Very Good</b>	Very Good	80 - 89	Above average with some errors
	<b>C - Good</b>	Good	70 - 79	Sound work with notable errors
	<b>D - Satisfactory</b>	Fair / Average	60 - 69	Fair but with major shortcomings
	<b>E - Sufficient</b>	Pass / Acceptable	50 - 59	Work meets minimum criteria
<b>Fail Group (0 - 49)</b>	<b>FX – Fail</b>	Fail (Pending)	(45-49)	More work required but credit awarded
	<b>F – Fail</b>	Fail	(0-44)	Considerable amount of work required

Note:

Note: Marks Decimal places above or below 0.5 will be rounded to the higher or lower full mark (for example a mark of 54.5 will be rounded to 55, whereas a mark of 54.4 will be rounded to 54. The University has a policy NOT to condone "near-pass fails" so the only adjustment to marks awarded by the original marker(s) will be the automatic rounding outlined above