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Important Notice to All Students

Plagiarism is a serious offence. Copy and paste for the report content is prohibited.

You must sign the report submission declaration to confirm that your FYP report has been done by your own efforts without any plagiarism.

1 Introduction

Every student undertaking the degree is required to complete a project under the supervision of a FICT (Perak) academic staff or an external supervisor from the industry. In the case whereby an external supervisor is appointed, an FICT (Perak) staff shall be appointed as a co-supervisor for the student. The project should provide students with the opportunity to bring together the academic knowledge and skills acquired from the range of modules already studied. In general the whole project can be divided into two parts, namely Project I and Project II, which are to be completed by the students in the first and second semesters in Year 3. The objectives and learning outcomes of the two modules are listed as follows.

The objectives of Project I:

[1] To introduce a general approach in starting a project, the need for proper documentation and reporting, and professional presentation of work undertaken.

[2] To equip students with the relevant research and technical skills that may be utilized for the formulation and development of a project.

[3] To introduce current Information & Communication Technology (ICT) related trends and development.

The learning outcomes of Project I:

After completing this unit, students will be able to:

[1] Identify a topical or problem area of interest for an ICT final year project (FYP).

[2] Define the scope and objectives of the FYP.

[3] Develop a project plan for the FYP.

[4] Write formal documentations, such as proposal, literature search summary, work log, and report, required for the FYP.

[5] Determine suitable research methods and tools for problem analysis and project development.

[6] Demonstrate formal presentation skills for a proposal and technical work.

The objectives of Project II:

[1] To encourage students to demonstrate their technical skills, and put in practice their experience and knowledge.

[2] To provide an opportunity for students to highlight and realise in projects, their grasp of interdisciplinary knowledge, including business domain knowledge.

[3] To provide an opportunity for students to further their research, in their discipline and that of the industry, and report their findings appropriately.

[4] To provide an avenue for students to document and showcase their project work, e.g. to potential employers.

The learning outcomes of Project II:

After completing this unit, students will be able to:

[1] Review and re-evaluate the project scope, objectives, and project plan proposed in Project I.

[2] Compile and perform literature and technical review for the project.

[3] Formulate project requirements into specifications or models.

[4] Analyse the specifications or models and select suitable tools or methods for project development.

- [5] Develop a system or theorem based on the stated specifications or models.
- [6] Evaluate the system or prove the theorem.
- [7] Write a formal report for project outcomes.
- [8] Present or demonstrate the project results.

Although students are required to take the project modules in their Year 3, they are encouraged to explore the areas of interest, identify the project supervisors and define a project topic if possible, as early as in the second semester of Year 2. The detailed planning of the project is described in the following sections.

Generally, all projects will involve elements of preliminary investigation, project design, realization of design and evaluation.

1.1 Selection of Project Area and Project Proposal

A starting point to tackle the final year project is the identification and selection of an area of interest by the student. A session will be held whereby relevant lecturers are invited to give a short talk to the students of Year 2 Semester 2. This will expose students to the areas available and the people involved. To know better an area of work, students can later seek out potential project supervisors for further discussion. Also, students can look into the internet for more information on the areas of interest. After agreeing with the supervisor on the area of study (and perhaps with a tentative title), students can then make use of the holidays for background reading for their final year project endeavour.

A list of suitable project topics or areas offered by the lecturers will be made known to eligible students through the faculty website, and/or other means. This is done during Year 2 Semester 2. Students are also encouraged to suggest their own projects or projects in collaboration with firms in the industry (where appropriate). To do so, students must prepare a draft proposal and discuss with the relevant lecturer to ensure that the proposal is of a suitable level and standard.

The project selection and student-supervisor allocation process will be finalized during the first two weeks of Year 3 Semester 1. Students are required to register their project title with the approval of an academic staff as the supervisor. Students may wish to modify their preferred projects to be re-cast to their preferred project scope. They can do so subject to the agreement of the relevant supervisor. Also, students need to attend weekly (2 hours) classes for Project 1. Students need to meet their individual supervisors on regular basis, at least, once per fortnight.

By the end of Year 3 Semester 1, students will hand in their final year project proposal for evaluation by the supervisor.

1.2 General Classification of Final Year Project

The following is a guide and framework for setting up and running your project. There are two broad categories:

- Academic research projects;
- Application development projects.

These categories are merely a guide to help you design your project. While most projects will fit neatly into one of these 2 types, others will have characteristics of several project categories. It is important for students to recognise what project category that their project might fit into so as to enable them to address the relevant learning outcomes and requirements in which will help defining a clear and concise project objectives.

1.3 Academic Research Projects

Academic research projects are undertaken to investigate a research question. An academic research project must contain a research contribution from the student, for example, the development of a model or the design of an algorithm towards analysing/solving a problem. A research projects might include more data gathering, the gathering of this data in itself will not constitute an acceptable level of research effort by the student. Rather some rigorous analysis of the data and/or the development of some deliverable based on the data will be required.

The deliverable should have the potential for further research used by a third party, for example the supervisor, an external body or other stakeholders in the project. Furthermore, academic research projects must be designed so that it is clear what factors affect the validity and generalisability of the results.

In developing Academic Research projects, your proposal should state:

- The research question to be addressed;
- Any research initiative or project that your project is a part of;
- The research methods and tools to be used;
- How you will judge the validity and generality of your results;
- In what ways the project may contribute to related research activities.

1.4 Application Development Projects

These types of projects involve design and construction of a prototype for an application that can be in the form of hardware or software or a mixed hardware/software. The design and construction must be non-trivial. The development should follow an established hardware/software engineering method. In exceptional cases, we will permit projects that

involve analysis and design without a construction. Our intention is that the design can be implemented by a third party in the future. Alternatively, a formal theory may be built and its soundness and application demonstrated. In developing Application Development projects and producing the project proposal you should state:

- The purpose of the hardware/software;
- In what way the project is novel;
- What theory (if any) underpins the project;
- Applicable hardware/software engineering methods;
- What tools will be used, so far as decided;
- Methods envisaged for testing and evaluating the hardware/software;
- How the complexity of the work merits it being a final year project.

1.5 Combining Project Categories

For students' projects that do not fit neatly with one of the two project categories, the union of the respective lists of details must be clearly stated in the proposal.

2 Project Milestone and Procedures

2.1 Pre-Project Schedule

Milestones	Date	Action Required (AR) by
		Supervisor/Moderator/Student
Posting of project titles and supervisors	Year 2 Semester 2	 Supervisor AR: Supervisor to submit proposed final year project titles to the FYP committee. The titles will be reviewed by FYP committee to ensure its uniqueness and contribution. FYP Committee AR: To consolidate and post the Final Year Project
		titles for student's reference.
FYP Briefing	Week 12 (long semester), Week 6 (short semester)	Student AR: Select a topic of interest and look for the relevant lecturers for further discussion about interested project Also visit the FYP website to view all project titles offered (refer to Appendix A)
Selection of project area.	Year 2 Semester 2	 Student AR: Students to commence preliminary findings and background reading. Supervisor AR: Supervisors to hold discussion sessions with students.
Face to face meeting.	Year 2 Semester 2	Student AR: After the student has selected an area for his/her final year project, the student is required to meet with the supervisor at least once per week/biweekly as determined by the supervisor.

2.2 Project I Schedule

Milestones	Date ¹	Action Required (AR) by
	Year 3 Semester 1	Supervisor/Moderator/Student
	(14 weeks)	•
	*Specific schedule will be posted in the FYP website	
Meeting to discuss		
the process of the Final Year Project	Year 3 Semester 1	Student AR / Supervisor AR: 2 hours discussion for 14 weeks
Project Registration form	Week 3	 Student AR: Students to sign two copies of the Final Year Project Registration form to undertake the proposed project title under the supervision of the chosen supervisor. Both forms must also be signed by the supervisor. Students to submit the completed Final Year Project Registration forms to the supervisor (1 copy) and FGO (1 copy). Supervisor AR: Supervisor to sign the Final Year Project Registration form to accept the supervision of the named student with the proposed project title, and key in the project info on spreadsheet provided. FGO AR Consolidate all Project Registration forms
		FYP Committee AR: Assign supervisor to students who have not got a project yet.
Bi-Weekly Log	Bi-weekly	Student AR: Students to meet with their supervisor once per week as determined by the supervisor. Students to submit Bi-Weekly Log to report the progress of the student's project work.
		Supervisor AR:

		Supervisors to verify and sign on the biweekly log and keep them for the record.
Submit TWO (2) Preliminary Proposal Report (to Supervisor)	Week 8	Student AR: Students to submit a Preliminary Proposal Report to their supervisor.
		Supervisor AR: Supervisors to evaluate the report and make the necessary arrangement with their students and moderators to evaluate the report according to the Preliminary Proposal Report Marking Scheme.
		Moderator AR: Moderator has to read and evaluate the submitted report according to the Preliminary Proposal Report Marking Scheme.
Submit TWO (2) comb-bound Project	Week 12	Student AR: Students to submit a Project Proposal Report.
Proposal (to Supervisor)		Students to ensure that report has been checked by TURNITIN
		Supervisor AR: Supervisors to evaluate the report according to the Project Proposal Marking Scheme.
		Moderator AR: Moderator has to read the submitted report.
Oral presentation	Week 13,14	Student: Student has to present their Project Proposal
		Supervisor AR: Supervisors to make the necessary arrangement with their students and moderators to evaluate the oral presentation according to the Report Proposal Marking Scheme.
		Moderator AR: Moderator has to attend and assess the oral presentation.
Submission of result	Week 15	Supervisor AR:

	Supervisors to submit the evaluation result to FGO.
	FGO AR: FGO to collect the results.

Note:

¹ Datelines for each milestone is shorten by half if the subject is conducted during the short (7 weeks) semester. ² Please refer to the related appendices for the forms.

2.3 Project II Schedule

Milestones	Date ³	Action Required (AR) by
	Year 3 Semester 2	Supervisor/Moderator/Student/Faculty
	(14 weeks)	Office
	*Specific schedule	
	will be posted in the	
	FYP website	
Meeting with	Year 3 Semester 2	
supervisor		
Bi-Weekly Log	Bi-weekly	Student AR:
	_	Students to submit a biweekly log to report the
		progress of the student's project work.
		Supervisor AR:
		Supervisors to verify and sign on the biweekly
		log and keep them for the record.
Submit draft reports	Week 6 to week 10.	Supervisor AR:
to the supervisor.		Supervisors to advice and make correction to the
		draft and returns it back to the student.
		Student AR:
		Students to revise the draft based on the advice
		(major/minor corrections).
		Students to ensure that report has been checked
		by TURNITIN
Submit TWO (2)	Week 12.	Supervisor AR:
corrected comb-		Supervisors to pass a comb-bound copy to their
bound full report		moderator for review. Supervisors to mark
copies to the		report according to the Full Report Marking
supervisor. (Marked		Scheme. Supervisors to make minor corrections

by Supervisor only)		on the report, if any.
Oral Presentation	Week 12 and Week	Supervisor and Moderator AR:
and Product	13.	Supervisors to liase with their respective
Demonstration.		moderators to arrange the venue, time, tools,
(Assessed by		equipment, marking sheet etc for the viva.
Supervisor and		Supervisor and Moderator to assess and evaluate
Moderator)		the student's project work. Supervisor and moderator to finish evaluating/marking the student's final year project work. Moderator to mark and pass the hardcopy of the mark to supervisor (Moderator has to examine the oral presentation and report using the same marking scheme).
		Supervisor to staple the mark sheets and pass to the FYP committee. Any disagreement (more than 10%) on the marks allocation can be brought forth to the FYPC for further discussion.
		The Supervisor to pass the comb-bound report to the student for final minor correction before collecting it back from the student. The Supervisor and Moderator keep their respective comb-bound copies for their own future use.
		All marks must remain confidential and not to be disclosed.
		Student AR: Student to do the final minor correction on the report before sending it for comb bound. Students to return the comb-bound report to the Supervisor.
Submission of Results	Week 14	Supervisor AR: Supervisors to submit the evaluation result to FGO.
		FGO AR: FGO to collect the results.
Submit TWO (2) sets	Week 15	Student AR:
of softcopy to FGO.		Students to submit TWO sets of softcopy to the

(include the poster in	FGO. The softcopies should contain the	
the softcopy)	following (if any):	
	• The complete executable programThe sour codes	ce
	• The full report in Microsoft Word	
	FGO:	
	To collect and keep the softcopies.	

Note:

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3 Pitfalls and Problems

The final year project will be a demanding but exciting learning experience. However, it is not without problems which, if not identified and addressed, could seriously affect the final result and ultimately reduce your grade. In this section we mention some of these problems and how to avoid them.

a. *The "Overachiever" Problem*. A common problem is selecting a topic that is far too ambitious for the allotted time. Remember that you have only 12-13 weeks to finish the coding, debugging, and testing. Be careful not to select a topic that is unrealistically large. This can lead to frustration as well as errors caused by "cutting corners" and hurrying through the implementation. Discuss with your advisor the scale of what you are planning. If he or she thinks it may be too large, consider implementing the project in stages, each complete in itself. When stage I is working move on to stage II. If you do not finish stage II, however, you will still have a functioning system.

b. *The "Do It Tomorrow" Problem*. Thirteen weeks sounds like a long time, but it goes by quickly. You need an implementation schedule that allocates reasonable amounts of work throughout the entire semester. Then you must stick to that schedule. Don't be tempted to postpone work on the project because week 13 seems so far off. All that happens is that during the final few weeks you rush madly to get something working, and software implemented in a rush rarely works correctly!

c. *The "Sleeping Member" Problem*. In the ideal world, all team members have equal ability, equal interest in the problem, and work equally hard. In the real world that may not happen. You may have one (or more) team members who do not carry their share of the workload, not because of a lack of ability, but rather lack of interest or motivation. This is a serious problem because, although part of your grade is based on each individual's effort, another part is based on successfully finishing the project. A non-contributing team member can slow down or prevent completion of the work. If you have

a teammate who is not doing his or her share of the work, talk to them and stress the importance of everyone doing their job. If this does not solve the problem then talk to your supervisor. Don't let the failure of others prevent you from completing the work and receiving a good grade.

d. *The "Poop Out At The End" Problem*. You have worked hard for 13 weeks to complete this project. You have spent many late nights and chased down hundreds of bugs, but it is now working, so are you done? Absolutely not! The project grade is not based only on the programs you develop but also on your written reports and oral presentations. Remember that even though you may be 'burned out' from implementation, there is still work to be done. Don't produce a poorly written paper or give a poorly organized presentation. That will negate much of your good work. Put in the time needed to prepare both a well written, high-quality final report and a well organized, polished presentation. A good job on these last steps will insure that you receive a grade that fairly represents the work you have done.

4 Project Report Contents and Arrangement

Students should not copy large sections of books and/or reports. The change in writing style can be easily detected. Students will be penalised for copying. Whenever values of short passages have been quoted, the full reference should be given. Students will be penalised for not referencing previous work.

4.1 Report Contents and Arrangement Guidelines for Project I

The essential components of the content of the final year project proposal should include the items listed below. They should also be arranged in the top-down order as listed. The proposal should not exceed 30 pages.

Item	Arrangement of the	Content
No.	Proposal	
1	Title Page	1 page. Refer to Appendix E.
2	Abstract	Maximum 2 pages. Refer to Appendix E . It should describe the format / outline of the proposal.
		 Abstracts are formal summaries of your completed work: Abstracts, like all summaries, cover the main points of a piece of writing that includes the field of study, problem definition, methodology adopted, research process, conclusion and planning of the project work, etc. Unlike executive summaries written for non-specialist audiences, abstracts use the same level of technical language and expertise found in the article itself. Unlike general summaries which can be adapted in many ways to meet various readers' and writers' needs.

		 Abstracts typically serve the following goals: Help readers decide if they should read an entire article. Help readers to see your key findings and achievement of your project. Help readers understand your project by acting as a prereading outline of key points. Help readers to review technical work without becoming bogged down in details.
3	Table of Contents	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the chapters and their corresponding sections and subsections found in the report.
4	List of Tables	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the tables and their corresponding page numbers found the report.
5	List of Figures	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the figures and their corresponding page numbers found the report.
6	List of Symbols	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the symbols found in the report and their corresponding meaning.
7	List of Abbreviations	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the abbreviations found in the report and their corresponding meaning.
8	Sectioning	 Number of pages should be between 20 to 30 pages. Students should familiarize themselves with report writing skills such as division of work and report sectioning. Each chapter should begin on a new page. Within a chapter, use as many sections and subsections as possible and where appropriate. Subsection is limited to 3 levels only. Chapter 1: Introduction Motivation and Problem Statement (1 to 2 paragraphs) It should be short and concise, emphasizes on overview of problems and the motivation of the whole project. At the very minimum, students should present a summary of the problem and the problem domain of the project. You need to justify the existence of your project. Problem statement - state the existing problem to be solved. Motivation - why want to solve it, why the project is needed? Writing
		up on problem statement and motivation: you need to solve some problems. You need to improve something. You need to develop something that previously have not existed or carry out enhancement work. Example: You

	want to develop a Mandarin voice recognition
	Or you improve on the existing Mandarin
	voice recognition software because the
	existing often misinterprets some words
	existing often misincipiets some words.
C	Common mistake: students normally confuse
	problem statement (or motivation) with
	technical difficulties.
a Dra	(1.2 more th)
• Proj	Describe what you are going to deliver at the
	and of the project (a g a piece of software a
	piece of hardware an improvement plan of a
	system a development framework a research
	survey, a model of a system, or simulation
	result. etc). Give a general overview of vour
	solution of the problem.
C	Example: This project develops a model on
	the social behavior of Internet with various
	simulation results on some scenarios. This project involves a new algorithm design to
	speed up the grid computing
	speed up the grid computing.
• Proj	ject Objectives (1-4 paragraph)
c	Describe the purpose and aims of the project
	which give more detailed information than the
	project scope.
	• For example: The project aims to improve at
	least 10% in processing performance over the
	current Sun Solaris grid computing engine
	with our new algorithm.
C	The following questions are applicable:
	- what in general will this project try to
	autitive:
	- What IS NOT covered by this project?
	that is not covered by this project.
c	Common mistakes:
	- Stating learning objectives instead of project
	objectives. For example, learning
	programming languages, tools etc.
	- Treating project timelines as project

objectives.
 Impact, significance and contribution (1-2 paragraph) Describe how the project is going to benefit the readers or anybody.
• Describe the reasons for solving the problems mentioned in the problem statement.
• Why are the problem and solution of your project interesting? Why is your project worth your readers' time to read it?
• Make your readers feel that your project is important or "desirable".
• This is where you need to "sell" or "promote" your project.
• For example: By having this educational software, the student will visualize better on how the processor works.
• For example: This survey has to be carried because it will form the basis to anticipate and project the market trend ahead of time.
 Background information (> 3 paragraphs) A brief section giving background information may be necessary, especially if your work spans two or more traditional fields.
• Give a descriptive view on the field (or sub- field) of the project and historical development prior to the project.
• Give your readers who may not have any experience with some of the material needed to follow your project.
• It may be a good practice to give some definition of some key terms, or impart some key technical knowledge to the readers at this point.
\circ The ultimate question: What my readers,

	acreately these who are not the same field as
	I do, need to know before they continue to read the rest of the document?
Charter 2	
Chapter 2	Litomotyme Deview
	 Highlight what is the current practice or prior arts towards the problem. It can be structured or non- structured (for unexplored areas)
	• If there are prior arts, students should refer or cite them and include the referenced art in the references section.
•	Fact Finding
	 Scientific method to do fact finding and analysis - reviewing existing manuals and procedures, preparing questionnaires, observations, research and conducting personal interviews.
	• Accomplished by techniques such as data element analysis; input-output analysis, including flow diagrams; recurring data analysis; and report use analysis.
	Data Collection
	 Collect relevant data and documents to justify the problems and need for solutions
•	 Critical Remarks of previous works O Describe the strength and weakness of any previous work that are similar to your project
	• Compare them with your proposed solutions.
Chapter 3	
•	Methodology and tools
	 Methodologies and General Work Procedures (1- 2 paragraphs + figures)
	• A brief statement of the methodology for the realization of the project. It could define the general approach to how the project and its output(s) will be realized.
•	Implementation Issues and Challenges (1-2

		paragraphs)		
		\circ Difficult issues and challenges in the		
		implementation		
		\sim Novel aspects of this project (if any)		
		• This is the point that you describe your technical		
		difficulties to implement your solutions		
		difficulties to implement your solutions.		
		• Timeline (1 paragraph)		
		• Estimated timeline for deliverables and milestones		
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		o Framming for current semester and next semester.		
		Requirement Specifications		
		 User requirements 		
		• System Performance Definition		
		 Design and Verification Plan 		
		Chapter 4		
		• Conclusion (1 paragraph)		
		\circ Summarize the project including the problem		
		motivation and proposed solutions		
0	Dibliggraphy	Pofer to Appendix E. It should list all the reference motorials		
9	Бююдгариу	used for the project.		
10	Appendices	The appendices are supplementary materials which because of		
		their length would break up the main flow of the report. The		
		following is a guideline on the arrangement of appendices and		
		what may be included as part of the appendices.		
		- Specifications, data sheets and drawings of equipment or		
		components used.		
		- Data used for analysis.		
		- Survey sheets.		
		- Charts and data tables.		
		- Lengthy mathematical derivations.		
		- etc		

4.2 Report Contents and Arrangement Guidelines for Project II

The essential components of the content of the final year project report should include the items listed below. They should also be arranged in the top-down order as listed. The report should comprise between 20,000 - 40,000 words.

Item	Arrangement of the	Content
No.	Report	
1	Front Cover	Content same as the Title Page. Refer to Appendix D. The board
		used for binding should have sufficient rigidity to support the
		weight of the work when standing on the shelf.
		Note the format (font type, size, capitalization and the sentences
		arrangement) must be strictly adhere to. No changes are allowed.
		It is the responsibility of the students to remind the
		photocopy vendors to adhere to the format stated when
		binding.
		Any discrepancy will result in the rejection of the students' soft-
		bound report and thereafter students will have to re-bind at their
		expense.
2	Report Status	1 page. Refer to Appendix E.
	Declaration Form	
3	Title Page	I page. Refer to Appendix E.
4	Declaration of	I page. Refer to Appendix E.
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5	Acknowledgements	I page. Refer to Appendix E.
6	Abstract	Maximum I page. Refer to Appendix E. It should states the field
		of study, problem definition, methodology and techniques
		adopted, research process, results obtained and conclusion of the
7	Table of Contents	Project work. Defer to Appendix E. It should list all the chapters and their
/	Table of Contents	corresponding sections and subsections found in the report
8	List of Figures	Refer to Appendix F. It should list all the figures and their
0	List of Tigules	corresponding page numbers found the report
9	L ist of Tables	Refer to Appendix F. It should list all the tables and their
		corresponding page numbers found the report
10	List of Symbols	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the symbols found in the
10		report and their corresponding meaning.
11	List of Abbreviations	Refer to Appendix E. It should list all the abbreviations found in
		the report and their corresponding meaning.
12	Chapters	Each chapter should begin on a new page. Within a chapter, use
		as many sections and subsections as possible and where
		appropriate. The following is a general guideline on the
		arrangement of chapters and what to be included as part of each
		chapter.
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		Chapter 1

		- Introduction
		- Problem statement.
		- Background and motivation.
		- Objectives.
		Chapter 2
		- Facts finding.
		- Literature research and review of previous work.
		- Data collection.
		Chapter 3, 4 (or more)
		- Methodology and tools
		- Requirement
		- Specification: Analysis, Design and Verification Plan
		- Implementation and Testing.
		Chapter 5
		- Project Review, Discussions and Conclusions: what has
		been achieved, relate to Objectives, problems encountered,
		personal insight into the total research experience
		- Future Work: indicate improvements / further
		developments that can be made.
13	Bibliography	Refer to Appendix F. It should list all the reference materials
		used for the project.
14	Appendices	The appendices are supplementary materials which because of
		their length would break up the main flow of the report. The
		following is a guideline on the arrangement of appendices and
		what may be included as part of the appendices.
		- Specifications, data sheets and drawings of equipment or
		components used.
		- Data used for analysis.
		- Survey sheets.
		- Charts and data tables.
		- Lengthy mathematical derivations.
		- etc

4.3 Poster Content and Arrangement Guidelines for Project I and Project II

The essential components of the content of the poster report should include the items listed as follow:

Item No	Poster Presentation	Content
110.		
1	Size	A1,
2	Font	Use contrasting fonts for the title, text and figure legends.
		(Ensure the font size used are large enough)
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- Colour: black.
- Citing references in text: number the cross-references 1, 2, 3, and so on, font size 12.
- Language

– British English

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 - Colour: black.
 - Citing references in text: number the cross-references 1, 2, 3, and so on, font size 12.
- Language
 - British English
- Printing
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- Paper
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6 Viva: Oral Presentation and Product Demonstration

This exercise is intended to assess the students' ability to deliver a technical presentation as a result of their project investigation. The Oral Presentation is attended and assessed by the Supervisor and Moderator.

The presentation should describe the aim of the project, an outline of the presentation, the results obtained and the extent to which the goals of the project are met. The time allocated for the presentation session is 15 to 20 minutes and an additional 10 minutes for the 'Question and Answer' session.

The product demonstration session can be arranged to be the subsequent session to the oral presentation session for effective assessment. Otherwise, the demonstration may be arranged separately. The time allocated for the demonstration session is not more than 30 minutes.

7 FYP Guidelines for Supervisor and Moderators

Guidelines for Supervisor

The Project Student conducts their work under the direction of the Project Supervisor. The Supervisor can be a qualified internal academic faculty staff or someone qualified external to the faculty. In the case of external supervisor, an internal supervisor will be attached to the project to act as the moderator.

The Supervisor's role is to stimulate discussion and indicate the various avenues of approach and resources available. Although the Supervisor may serve as a guide and mentor for the project, it is emphasized that the ultimate responsibility for the project lies with the students.

Purchase of special components or equipment requires prior consent from the Supervisor, who acts as the 'budget controller' due to the limited funds available.

The Supervisor will evaluate the biweekly report, the project proposal, the full report, the oral presentation and product demonstration.

If the student could not manage to meet the supervisor in 4 consecutive weeks, the lecturer will have to contact the student to find out the current status of the student, and report the situation to the Final Year Project committee.

Guidelines for Moderators

Moderator is member of staff whose function is to ensure a uniform standard of assessment is applied to each project.

Moderation will take place at two stages:

• An assigned Moderator will evaluate the oral presentation and product demonstration. The moderation forms are available in the faculty's shared drive.

Appendices

Appendix A: Final Year Project Titles List

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Appendix B: Final Year Project Registration Form

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(Project I / Project II)

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Signature of Student:

Name: Date:

Student Name : Student ID : Contact No : Email Address : Course : Year of Study :

Area of Study : Proposed Project Title :

Signature of Supervisor:

Name: Date

Appendix C: Final Year Project Biweekly Report

FINAL YEAR PROJECT BIWEEKLY REPORT

(Project I / Project II)

Trimester, Year:	Study week no.:
Student Name & ID:	
Supervisor:	
Project Title:	

1. WORK DONE [Please write the details of the work done in the last fortnight.]

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DECLARATION OF ORIGINALITY

I declare that this report entitled "METHODOLOGY, CONCEPT AND DESIGN OF A 2-MICRON CMOS DIGITAL BASED TEACHING CHIP USING FULL-CUSTOM DESIGN STYLE" is my own work except as cited in the references. The report has not been accepted for any degree and is not being submitted concurrently in candidature for any degree or other award.

Signature :

Name : _____

Date : _____

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When I asked for strength, God gave me more burdens to carry.

When I asked for love, God sent me people with problems.

When I asked for wisdom, God gave me more problems to solve.

I see that I did not get the things I asked for but I have been given all the things that I needed. Thank God.

ABSTRACTS

This project is an IC design project for academic purpose. It will provide students with the methodology, concept and design of digital integrated circuit. This will be illustrated through the construction of a Teaching Chip. Since CMOS technology is well suited for digital circuits, it is therefore implemented in the project. From the design point of view, emphasis is laid on the IC design flow. A flow exists due to the fact that IC design business involves integrating four diverse major areas namely device operation, circuit analysis and design, circuit simulation and lastly, physical layout and re-simulation. Emphasis is also made on the importance of an EDA tool; how it is incorporated into the design flow and aids IC design jobs. The tool used in this project is the Tanner Tools. There are several styles to design integrated circuit and the one used here is the full-custom design style. In the area of device operation and circuit analysis/design, the circuit design job involves hand calculation for DC and transient design. These include designing the logic threshold voltage and propagation delay time of the circuit according to specification. Three common methods, Average-Current, Differential Equation and Digital Model are reviewed for their suitability in delay time hand calculation. Since hand calculation only presents an approximated circuit design, computer simulation is compulsory to verify the design. In the area of circuit simulation, SPICE MOSFET Level 2 model is used due to its suitability for teaching. Thus, at minimum, 2.0 micron CMOS is chosen. Beyond 2.0 micron, more complicated SPICE MOSFET model is required for simulation and is therefore avoided. Suitable CMOS processes are reviewed and consequently, MOSIS/Orbit 2.0 micron process is chosen. In the areas of physical layout and re-simulation, the designed circuit was laid out, design rule check was performed on the layout followed by layout extraction to obtain the equivalent SPICE netlist for re-simulation. The re-simulation includes the effect of parasitic capacitance and resistance, which are not included in the earlier circuit design. Resimulation is necessary since parasitic affects the transient characteristics. Lastly, suitable digital circuits for teaching will be designed and packed onto the Teaching Chip. Examples include inverter, ring oscillator, NAND, NOR, static CMOS, etc.

The output material of the project would be SPICE programs, DC and transient simulation results, cell level, block level and chip level layouts.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CMOS	Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor	
MOSFET	Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor	
IC	Integrated Circuit	
DRC	Design Rule Checker	
SCNA	Scalable CMOS N-Well Analog	
ASIC	Application Specific Integrated Circuit	
HDL	Hardware Description Language	

Appendix F: Harvard Style Referencing

How To Cite References - Harvard Style

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