

Course Outline (W2024)

COE691: Software Requirements Analysis and SPEC

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Calendar Description	Introduces students to the requirement definition phase of the software development cycle with an emphasis on the design and implementation of system-level software, large architectural models for System-On-Chip systems, electronic-Design-Automation tool flows, and embedded systems. Methodologies for the analysis of system specification, the creation of appropriate descriptions of desired system behaviour and qualities along with relevant constraints and assumptions will be discussed.
Prerequisites	COE 428, COE 528, CPS 510
Antirequisites	None
Corerequisites	None
Compulsory Text(s):	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1- Ian Sommerville, Pete Sawyer, "Requirements Engineering: A Good Practice Guide", ISBN: 978-0-471-97444-4, 1997, Wiley. "2- Bernd Bruegge, Object-Oriented Software Engineering. Using UML, Patterns, and Java, 3rd Edition, ISBN: 0-13-606125-7, 2010, Prentice Hall. 2. 3- "Requirements Engineering: Processes and Techniques", By Kotonya, Gerald & Sommerville, Ian., Chichester: John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1998.
Reference Text(s):	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1- "An Introduction to Requirements Engineering" by Ian K. Bray 2- Karl E. Wiegers, Joy Beatty, Software Requirements, 3rd edition, Microsoft Press, 2013- Software Engineering, 10th Edition, Ian Sommerville, Addison-Wesley, 2015, 9780133943030, General reference to basic software engineering principles 4- Additional supplementary materials provided in-class 2. 2- Requirements Writing Tutorial, Siemens, Canada
Learning Objectives (Indicators)	<p>At the end of this course, the successful student will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Become familiar with methods for the organization and prioritization of requirements. (1c) 2. Develop a deep understanding of a variety of techniques for eliciting requirements from a different stakeholder types. (1d) 3. Acquire practical skills to represent both functional and non-functional requirements using formal and informal techniques. (4a) 4. Gain good understanding of analysis techniques such as needs analysis, goal analysis, and use case analysis. (5b) 5. Develop skill sets for detecting and resolving inconsistencies and ambiguities through negotiation. (7c)

	<p>6. Understand societal and ethical considerations of software design and actively consider them in their analysis process. (9b), (10a)</p> <p>NOTE: Numbers in parentheses refer to the graduate attributes required by the Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB).</p>														
Course Organization	<p>3.0 hours of lecture per week for 13 weeks 2.0 hours of lab per week for 12 weeks 0.0 hours of tutorial per week for 12 weeks</p>														
Teaching Assistants	TBA														
Course Evaluation	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" style="text-align: left;">Theory</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Weekly Virtual Quizzes</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Midterm Exam</td> <td style="text-align: right;">30 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Final Exam</td> <td style="text-align: right;">35 %</td> </tr> <tr> <th colspan="2" style="text-align: left;">Laboratory</th> </tr> <tr> <td>Labs Deliverables (5 labs)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">25 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">100 %</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: In order for a student to pass a course, a minimum overall course mark of 50% must be obtained. In addition, for courses that have both "Theory and Laboratory" components, the student must pass the Laboratory and Theory portions separately by achieving a minimum of 50% in the combined Laboratory components and 50% in the combined Theory components. Please refer to the "Course Evaluation" section above for details on the Theory and Laboratory components (if applicable).</p>	Theory		Weekly Virtual Quizzes	10 %	Midterm Exam	30 %	Final Exam	35 %	Laboratory		Labs Deliverables (5 labs)	25 %	TOTAL:	100 %
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Examinations	<p>1) Quizzes: There will be 10 weekly virtual quizzes starting from Week 2. no Quiz in week1, reading week, nor the week of the midterm exam.</p> <p>2) Midterm exam in Week 7 (or 8)(Exact Date will be determined and posted on D2L), the midterm exam is closed book Virtual Online exam (covers weeks 1-7). The midterm exam is an in-class Online Exam through D2L.</p> <p>3) The Final exam will be scheduled during exam period, Virtual Exam, two hours, closed-book (covers weeks 1-13).</p>														
Other Evaluation Information	None														
Teaching Methods	<p>Teaching Methods:</p> <p>1) Virtual Online through Zoom. Zoom Link will be posted on D2L. Lectures will be delivered as a mix of synchronous and asynchronous delivery, lectures will be recorded and posted on D2L.</p> <p>2) Lab attendance is in-person (Mandatory)</p>														
Other Information	<p>IMPORTANT: Students must achieve passing grades in both the theoretical and the laboratory components of the course in order to pass the course. That means the student must pass 50% of the theory components and 50% of the Lab components</p>														

All the Labs have to be done individually. Labs will be weekly and will start from Week 2.

Lab due dates will be announced on D2L. Late lab assignments will not be accepted and will receive a mark of 0.

Two week labs carry double weight than one week labs.

A "Tentative" Course/labs schedule is given below

Course Content

Week	Hours	Chapters / Section	Topic, description
1	3		Introduction to Software Engineering and Software Life Cycle
2	3		Basics and Fundamentals of Requirements Engineering
3-4	6		Requirements Inception, Elicitation and Prioritization
5-6	6		Analysis and Design Methodologies
7-8	6		Requirements Specification & Documentation
9-10	6		Requirements Verification, and Validation including Conflict Detection and Resolution
11-12	6		Requirements Management and Risk Assessment
13	3		Requirements Engineering for Typical Systems Development Processes including ethical and societal considerations

Laboratory(L)/Tutorials(T)/Activity(A) Schedule

Week	L/T/A	Description
2-3	Tutorial 1	UML Review (Use Case Diagrams and Sequence Diagrams). Case Study 1
4-6	Tutorial 2	Requirements Elicitation (Stakeholder Identification, Requirements Questionnaire, Systems Modelling, Analysis Checklist, and Interaction matrix) Case Study 2
7-8	Tutorial 3	Goal Modeling (System Design and Analysis) Case Study 3
9-10	Tutorial 4	Requirements Analysis Methods Case Study 4 and 5
11-14	Tutorial 5	Requirement and Risk management Case Study 6

University Policies & Important Information

Students are reminded that they are required to adhere to all relevant university policies found in their online course shell in D2L and/or on [the Senate website](#)

Refer to the [Departmental FAQ page](#) for further information on common questions.

Important Resources Available at Toronto Metropolitan University

- [The Library](#) provides research [workshops](#) and individual assistance. If the University is open, there is a Research Help desk on the second floor of the library, or students can use the [Library's virtual research help service](#) to speak with a librarian.
- [Student Life and Learning Support](#) offers group-based and individual help with writing, math, study skills, and transition support, as well as [resources and checklists to support students as online learners](#).
- You can submit an [Academic Consideration Request](#) when an extenuating circumstance has occurred that has significantly impacted your ability to fulfill an academic requirement. You may always visit the [Senate website](#) and select the blue radio button on the top right hand side entitled: **Academic Consideration Request (ACR)** to submit this request.

For Extenuating Circumstances, Policy 167: Academic Consideration allows for a once per semester ACR request without supporting documentation if the absence is less than 3 days in duration and is not for a final exam/final assessment. Absences more than 3 days in duration and those that involve a final exam/final assessment, require documentation. Students must notify their instructor once a request for academic consideration is submitted. See Senate [Policy 167: Academic Consideration](#).

- If a student is requesting accommodation due to a religious, Aboriginal and/or spiritual observance, they must submit their request via the online [Academic Consideration Request \(ACR\) system](#) **within the first two weeks of the class or, for a final examination, within two weeks of the posting of the examination schedule**. If the required absence occurs within the first two weeks of classes, or the dates are not known well in advance as they are linked to other conditions, these requests should be submitted with as much lead time as possible in advance of the required absence.

- If taking a remote course, familiarize yourself with the tools you will need to use for remote learning. The [Remote Learning Guide](#) for students includes guides to completing quizzes or exams in D2L Brightspace, with or without [Respondus LockDown Browser and Monitor, using D2L Brightspace](#), joining online meetings or lectures, and collaborating with the Google Suite.
- Information on Copyright for [Faculty](#) and [students](#).

Accessibility

- Similar to an [accessibility statement](#), use this section to describe your commitment to making this course accessible to students with disabilities. Improving the accessibility of your course helps minimize the need for accommodation.
- Outline any technologies used in this course and any known accessibility features or barriers (if applicable).
- Describe how a student should contact you if they discover an accessibility barrier with any course materials or technologies.

Academic Accommodation Support

Academic Accommodation Support (AAS) is the university's disability services office. AAS works directly with incoming and returning students looking for help with their academic accommodations. AAS works with any student who requires academic accommodation regardless of program or course load.

- Learn more about [Academic Accommodation Support](#).
- Learn [how to register with AAS](#).

Academic Accommodations (for students with disabilities) and Academic Consideration (for students faced with extenuating circumstances that can include short-term health issues) are governed by two different university policies. Learn more about [Academic Accommodations versus Academic Consideration and how to access each](#).

Wellbeing Support

At Toronto Metropolitan University, we recognize that things can come up throughout the term that may interfere with a student's ability to succeed in their coursework. These circumstances are outside of one's control and can have a serious impact on physical and mental well-being. Seeking help can be a challenge, especially in those times of crisis.

If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, please call 911 and go to the nearest hospital emergency room. You can also access these outside resources at anytime:

- **Distress Line:** 24/7 line for if you are in crisis, feeling suicidal or in need of emotional support (phone: 416-408-4357)
- **Good2Talk:** 24/7-hour line for postsecondary students (phone: 1-866-925-5454)
- **Keep.meSAFE:** 24/7 access to confidential support through counsellors via [My SSP app](#) or 1-844-451-9700

If non-crisis support is needed, you can access these campus resources:

- **Centre for Student Development and Counselling:** 416-979-5195 or email csdc@torontomu.ca
- **Consent Comes First - Office of Sexual Violence Support and Education:** 416-919-5000 ext 3596 or email osvse@torontomu.ca
- **Medical Centre:** call (416) 979-5070 to book an appointment

We encourage all Toronto Metropolitan University community members to access available resources to ensure support is reachable. You can find more resources available through the [Toronto Metropolitan University Mental Health and Wellbeing](#) website.