



Course Specification

— (Bachelor)

Course Title: Advanced Topics in Cloud Computing

Course Code: IT478

Program: B.Sc. Information Technology

Department: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

College: CCIS

Institution: MAJMAAH UNIVERSITY

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A. General information about the course:

1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: 3 (2,2,0)

2. Course type

A. University College Department Track Others
 B. Required Elective

3. Level/year at which this course is offered: 8

4. Course general Description:

This course covers a series of important Big-Data-related problems and their solutions on cloud. It introduces the characteristics and challenges of the Big Data, state-of-the-art computing paradigm sand platforms (e.g., MapReduce), big data programming tools (e.g., NoSQL like Hadoop and MongoDB), big data extraction and integration, big data storage, scalable indexing for big data, big graph processing, big data stream techniques and algorithms, big data visualization, and big data applications.

5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any):

90 Credits

6. Co-requisites for this course (if any):

7. Course Main Objective(s):

The aim of this course is to help students explore the big data characteristics and challenges, know the existing big data processing platforms/tools, understand big data collection, integration and storage, learn the basics of MapReduce paradigms, learn the core techniques of processing big data, and understand different real applications and their techniques that involve big data.

2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|--|---------------|------------|
| 1 | Traditional classroom | 60 | 100% |
| 2 | E-learning | | |
| 3 | Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditional classroom • E-learning | | |





| No | Mode of Instruction | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|---------------------|---------------|------------|
| 4 | Distance learning | | |

3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

| No | Activity | Contact Hours |
|--------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Lectures | 30 |
| 2. | Laboratory/Studio | 30 |
| 3. | Field | |
| 4. | Tutorial | |
| 5. | Others (specify) | |
| Total | | 60 |

B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| 1.0 | Knowledge and understanding | | | |
| 1.1 | | | | |
| 2.0 | Skills | | | |
| 2.1 | Analyze the problems and challenges associated with big data applications | S2 | Mini Project, Lab Exercises | Lab Based Assignments, MiniProject |
| 2.2 | Design high performance and cloud applications to support scalable online services. | S3 | Oral /Written Communication, Seminar | Group Assignments, Mini Project |
| 2.3 | Design big data processing applications to efficiently process high volume and velocity data | S4 | Mini Project, Graduation Project, Lab Exercises | Case Study Implementation/ Laboratory /Mini project |
| 3.0 | Values, autonomy, and responsibility | | | |
| 3.1 | | | | |

C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics | Contact Hours |
|----|----------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Overview of Big Data | 5 |



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|--------------|--|-----------|
| 2. | Big Data characteristics | 5 |
| 3. | Big Data Management | 10 |
| 4. | Big data programming tools (e.g., SQL and NoSQL like Hadoop, MongoDB, Spark, etc.) | 10 |
| 5. | Business Motivations and Drivers for Big Data Adoption | 5 |
| 6. | Big Data Adoption and Planning Considerations | 5 |
| 7. | Enterprise Technologies and Big Data Business Intelligence | 5 |
| 8. | Big Data Storage Concepts | 5 |
| 9. | Big Data Analytic Techniques | 5 |
| 10. | Big Data Stream Techniques | 5 |
| Total | | 60 |

D. Students Assessment Activities

| No | Assessment Activities * | Assessment timing (in week no) | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|----|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Quiz 1,2 | Week 4 and 12 | 10% |
| 2. | Mid Exam | Week 8 | 20% |
| 3. | Exercise | Every Week | 15% |
| 4. | Project | Week 13 | 15% |
| 5. | Final Exam | Week 16 | 40% |

*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.).

E. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. References and Learning Resources

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Essential References | Thomas Erl, Wajid Khattak, and Dr. Paul Buhler. Big Data Fundamentals: Concepts, Drivers & Techniques. The Prentice Hall Service Technology Series, ISBN-13: 978-0134291079, 2016 |
| Supportive References | Kuan-Ching Li, Hai Jiang, Laurence T. Yang, and Alfredo Cuzzocrea. Big Data: Algorithms, Analytics, and Applications. Chapman & Hall/CRC Big Data Series, ISBN 9781482240559, 2015. |
| Electronic Materials | https://aws.amazon.com/training/classroom/big-data-on-aws/ |
| Other Learning Materials | The AWS Certified Data Analytics |

2. Required Facilities and equipment

| Items | Resources |
|------------|----------------|
| facilities | Class Room, PC |





| Items | Resources |
|--|--------------------------|
| (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.) | |
| Technology equipment (projector, smart board, software) | LCD Projector, VM |
| Other equipment (depending on the nature of the specialty) | AWS platform |

F. Assessment of Course Quality

| Assessment Areas/Issues | Assessor | Assessment Methods |
|---|----------|--------------------|
| Effectiveness of teaching | Faculty | Direct |
| Effectiveness of Students assessment | Students | Indirect |
| Quality of learning resources | | |
| The extent to which CLOs have been achieved | | |
| Other | | |

Assessors (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

G. Specification Approval

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|---------------------------|--|
| COUNCIL /COMMITTEE | |
| REFERENCE NO. | |
| DATE | |

