Senior Project

Assessment of Student Outcomes of the BS in Computer Science of the School of Computing and Information Sciences Florida International University

The School of Computing and Information Sciences evaluates the Senior Projects of its graduating seniors for the purpose of assessing the level of attainment of the Student Outcomes of the BS in Computer Science program.

Your responses to this survey will be used solely for the purpose of assessing the Student Outcomes of the BS in Computer Science program of the School of Computing and Information Sciences at FIU. This survey is expressly NOT for assessment of student performance in the SCIS Senior Project course for assignment of letter grade, nor for assessment of the instructor(s).

Rating Instructions

For each program outcome, you are provided with a check-list of 7 or more criteria that evidence attainment of that outcome. Please check all criteria that are presented in this project. You may include additional criteria that are not explicitly listed; if so, please record the additional criteria in the spaces provided. Unless noted otherwise, the number of criteria checked, <u>up to a maximum of 5</u>, should be recorded as your rating of attainment of that outcome evidenced in the project.

Project Title: PantherCare 2

Semester & Year: Spring 2011

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Student Outcome (*a*): Demonstrate proficiency in the foundation areas of Computer Science including mathematics, discrete structures, logic and the theory of algorithms

	Project incorporates elements of mathematical reasoning or proof (e.g. Lemma, Theorem, Propositional Logic, First Order Logic, Mathematical Induction)
	Project utilizes elements of discrete mathematics (e.g. Set Theory, Boolean Algebras, Combinatorics, Graph Theory)
X	Project utilizes some statistical procedure(s) to represent or summarize test data (e.g. Mean, Standard Deviation, Stem Plot/Histogram, Box Plot/Percentile-Graph)
X	Project utilizes some statistical measure(s) of system behavior or performance (e.g. Probability Distributions, Confidence Intervals, Hypothesis Testing)
X	Project design utilizes finite state diagrams to model system behavior
	Project utilizes some aspect(s) of formal computer science (e.g. Automata, Turing Machines, Recursive Function Theory, Recursive Unsolvability)
	Project utilizes some technique(s) of numerical analysis (e.g. Error Estimation, Interpolation, Numerical Calculus, Linear Systems, Matrix Algebra)
	OTHER:
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Student Outcome (b): *Demonstrate proficiency in various areas of Computer Science including data structures and algorithms, concepts of programming languages and computer systems.*

Data Structures & Algorithms

- __X Project utilizes an advanced data structure, (e.g. search tree, hash table, priority queue)
 ___ Project utilizes some graph algorithm, (e.g. shortest path, minimum spanning tree)
 - Project documents runtime analysis of selected algorithms

Concepts of Programming Languages

- __X Project utilizes knowledge of programming language syntax
 (e.g. Context-Free Grammars, Parse Trees, Ambiguity, Recursive Descent)
- Project utilizes knowledge of programming language semantics
 (e.g. Natural Semantics, Interpreters, Expressions, L- and R- Value, Environments)
- __X Project demonstrates familiarity with programming language design issues (e.g. Scoping Rules, Dynamic Type Checking, Static Type Checking)

Computer Systems (Database)

- _____ Project utilizes or designs an appropriate database management system
- _____ Project utilizes conceptual and/or relational schema
- Project utilizes a database query language such as SQL

Computer Systems (Operating Systems)

- ___X Project implementation utilizes knowledge of memory management
- ___X Project implementation utilizes knowledge of process synchronization
- _____ Project documents analysis of tradeoffs in selection of system characteristics
- ____ OTHER: _____

_____ OTHER: ______

Student Outcome (c): Demonstrate proficiency in problem solving and application of software engineering techniques.

- ___X Project demonstrates knowledge of the Software Development Life Cycle
- _____ Project deliverables include Project Specification
- ___X Project deliverables include Feasibility Study and/or Project Plan
- ___X Project deliverables include Requirements Documentation
- ___X Project deliverables include Design Documentation
- ___X Project documents testing and/or evaluation of the implementation
- _____ Project incorporates system walkthroughs

 OTHER:				
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<u>Student Outcome (d):</u> <u>Demonstrate mastery of at least one modern programming language and</u> proficiency in at least one other.

- ___X Project is implemented using an appropriate high level language
- _____ Project implementation is reasonably efficient rather than "brute force"
- ___X Project implementation is modular and/or re-usable
- ___X Project implementation uses a modern API or Tool-Kit
- Project implementation utilizes recursion
- ___X Project implementation utilizes some advanced features, e.g. polymorphism
- ___X A project sub-system or module utilizes an appropriate programming language other than the primary implementation language, e.g. SQL, ML, assembly language

OTHER:	 	 	
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Student Outcome (e): *Demonstrate understanding of the social and ethical concerns of the practicing computer scientist*

__X Project documents sources and references
 __X Project identifies and addresses any relevant social issues
 ___ Project identifies and addresses any relevant ethical issues
 __X Project identifies and addresses relevant legal issues
 ___ Project identifies and addresses any relevant privacy issues
 __X Project documents anticipated impact on users/clients
 __X Project documents and addresses any anticipated technology impact issues
 __ OTHER:

Student Outcome (f): Demonstrate the ability to work cooperatively in teams

X	Project completion evidences equitable participation by team members
x	Project presentation(s) included all team members
	Project team activity is documented
X	Project team set out and followed a schedule for timely completion
	Project team negotiated consensus when needed
X	Team members roles were clearly defined and executed
X	Team members shared responsibility for success and failure
	OTHER:
	OTHER:

Program Outcome (g): Demonstrate effective communication skills

- ___X Presentations described the essential features of the project
- ___X Presentations utilized good quality slides and presentation aids
- ___X Presenters utilized their time effectively
- ___X Presenters spoke directly to the audience
- ___X Technical features were communicated clearly
- _____ Project artifacts clearly document all project features
- _____ Project reports are well organized and written

OTHER: _	 	 	
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Program Outcome (j): *Have experience with contemporary environments and tools necessary for the practice of computing*

- ___X Project utilized contemporary design tools
- ___X Project implementation utilized a modern IDE(s)
- ___X Project utilized appropriate validation/testing tools
- ___X Project was demonstrated using appropriate presentation tools
- ___X Project utilized appropriate project management tools (e.g., MS Project)
- _____ Project utilizes appropriate version control/document sharing tools
- _____ Project documents consideration of trade-offs in selection of tools

 OTHER:				
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ABET Student Outcome

The program must enable students to attain, by the time of graduation: (j) An ability to apply mathematical foundations, algorithmic principles, and computer science theory in the modeling and design of computer-based systems in a way that demonstrates comprehension of the tradeoffs involved in design choices. [CS]

<u>Please comment on how this project "demonstrates comprehension of the tradeoffs involved in</u> design choices":

The project required evaluating a myriad of protocols and APIs to design and develop an effective implementation. Selection of the protocols and APIs determined overall functionality such as the ability to store a local of medical device output on the phone or to process and not keep such information persistent.