

**Title (Units):** **COMP7065 Innovative Laboratory (3,0,3)**

**Course Aims:** This course covers laboratory works and mini-projects on data analytics and artificial intelligence. It provides students hands-on experience by applying programming skills and software tools to solve problems in data analytics and artificial intelligence.

**Prerequisite:** COMP7035 Python for Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence  
COMP7015 Artificial Intelligence  
COMP7990 Principles and Practices of Data Analytics

**Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs):**

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

| No. | Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)   |
|-----|---|
|     | <b>Knowledge</b>  |
| 1   | Characterize the process and importance of each topic in data analytics and artificial intelligence.                      |
| 2   | Analyze a real-world data-related problem and provide solutions to handle it.   |
|     | <b>Professional Skill</b>   |
| 3   | Apply programming skills and software tools to solve some classic problems in data analytics and artificial intelligence. |

**Calendar Description:** This course provides opportunities for students to apply programming skills and software tools for solving data analytics and artificial intelligence (AI) problems. The students will be given a series of discovery laboratory exercises and problem-solving exercises. Each exercise is accompanied by a short briefing lecture. A discovery laboratory exercise allows students to get familiar with the basics and the syntax of a particular tool, plug-in, or library. A problem-solving exercise asks students to apply single or multiple tools/plugin/libraries to solve some real-world problems. Students will be learning skills for data management and preprocessing, quantitative analysis, data mining, modeling and training, and data visualization. Some mini-projects will be given to students as capstone assessments so that they will be approaching problems with skills they have learned and practiced in the course.

**Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs):**

| CILOs | Type of TLA  |
|-------|--|
| 1     | Short briefing lectures. These lectures cover the basic concepts of various data analytics and AI tools.   |
| 1,3   | Discovery laboratory exercises. Students will familiarize themselves with the basics and syntax of various tools, plug-ins, and libraries for various topics in data analytics and AI. |
| 2,3   | Problem-solving exercises. Students will apply a mixture of multiple tools, plug-ins, and libraries to solve some real-world problems.   |

**Assessment:**

| No. | Assessment Methods | Weighting | CILOs to be addressed | Description of Assessment Tasks   |
|-----|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|---|
| 1   | Laboratory Reports | 40%       | 1-3                   | Reflection questions of laboratory reports are designed to assess whether a student is familiar with various tools, plug-ins, and libraries.  |
| 2   | Mini-projects      | 60%       | 1-3                   | Students are expected to form groups to devise a solution for a real-world problem with real-world data. It assesses how well a student can analyze a real-world problem and how well can he/she apply the techniques to devise a solution. |

**Assessment Rubrics:**

|  | Excellent (A)   | Good (B)  | Satisfactory (C)   | Fail (F)  |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| Programming skills for classic data analytics and AI problems  | Fully capable of using programming skills to solve classic data analytics and AI problems   | Capable of using programming skills to solve classic data analytics and AI problems   | Capable of using programming skills to solve some classic data analytics and AI problems                                       | Incapable of using programming skills to solve classic data analytics and AI problems |
| The ability to analyze problems and apply data analytics and/or artificial intelligence to devise suitable solutions | Excellent in analyzing problems and devising a comprehensive solution. All steps in the solution have been fine-tuned to optimize the solution. | Good at analyzing problems and devising a comprehensive solution. Some steps in the solution have been fine-tuned to optimize the solution. | Capable of analyzing problems and devising a reasonable solution. Some key steps of the solution may be missing or suboptimal. | Bad in analyzing problems and failing to devise a reasonable solution.                |

**Course Content and CILOs Mapping:**

| Content |  | CILO No. |
|---------|--|----------|
| I       | Data Management and Preprocessing            | 1-3      |
| II      | Quantitative Analytics                       | 1-3      |
| III     | Data Mining                                  | 1-3      |
| IV      | Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning | 1-3      |
| V       | Data Visualization                           | 1-3      |

**References:**

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- Porcu, Valentina. Python for Data Mining Quick Syntax Reference. Berkeley CA: Apress, 1st ed. 2018., 2018.
- Raschka Sebastian, and Vahid Mirjalili. Python Machine Learning: Machine Learning and Deep Learning with Python, scikit-learn, and TensorFlow 2. Packt Publishing, 3rd ed., 2019.
- Pajankar, Ashwin. Practical Python Data Visualization. Berkeley, CA: Apress L. P, 2020.

**Course Content:****Topic**

- I. Data Management and Preprocessing
  - A. Database access
  - B. Data Scraping
  - C. Data Preprocessing
- II. Quantitative Analytics
  - A. Python Pandas and NumPy
  - B. Statistical data analytics

- III. Data Mining
  - A. Association Rule Mining
  - B. Similarity Matching
- IV. Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
  - A. Regression
  - B. Classification and Clustering
  - C. Deep learning
  - D. Evolutionary computing
- V. Data Visualization
  - A. Matplotlib
  - B. Visualizing Images and 3D shapes
  - C. Visualizing Graphs and Networks