

Course Title: Software Project Management
Course Code: CACS407
Year/Semester: IV/VII
Class Load: 5 Hrs. /Week (Theory: 3Hrs, Practical: 2Hr.)

Course Description

This course provides the comprehensive knowledge about Software Project Management, which encompasses with Software Project Planning, Scheduling, Cost Estimation, Risk management, Quality management and Configuration management.

Objectives: The general objective of this course is to provide fundamental knowledge of software project management and corresponding software tool.

Unit -1

Software Project Management Concepts 8 Hrs

Introduction, Project and Software project, Software project vs other project, Importance and Problems in software project management, Process of SPM. Characteristics of good project manager, Successful Software Project Manager, Overview of Software Project Planning.

Unit-2

Software Project Scheduling 8 Hrs

Objectives of activity planning, Work breakdown structure, Network planning model: Critical path method (CPM), Program evaluation and review technique (PERT), Precedence diagramming method (PDM), Shortening project duration, Identifying critical activities. Forward pass and Backward pass

Unit -3

Software Estimation Techniques 7 Hrs

Software Effort Estimation: Problems with over and under estimations, Basis of software Estimating, Software effort estimation techniques, expert Judgment, Estimating by analogy. Bottoms-up estimating, Top-down approach and parametric models.

Unit -4

Software Evaluation and Costing 8 Hrs

Project Evaluation: Strategic Assessment, Technical Assessment, cost-benefit analysis, Cash flow forecasting, cost-benefit evaluation techniques, Risk Evaluation. Selection of Appropriate Report, Project approach: Choosing technologies, choice of process models, structured methods.

Unit -5

Risk Management 5 Hrs

Risk Identification, Planning, Evaluation and Management, Categories of Risk, Framework for dealing with risk, evaluating Risks to the schedule.

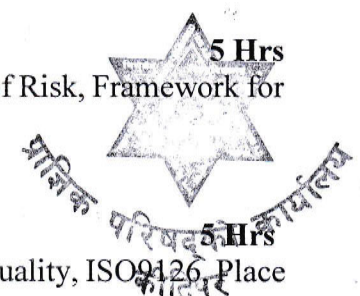
Unit -6

Software Quality Management 5 Hrs

TQM, Six Sigma, Software Quality: defining and importance software quality, ISO9126, Place of software quality in software planning.

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Software Configuration Management

7 Hrs

Concept, Requirement and Elements of SCM, Baseline, SCM Repository, Versioning and version control, SCM Process, Change Control Process. Configuration Audit and Status Reporting. Case Study: Version Control Software Tools (Git, CVS, SVN)

Laboratory Works

Laboratory works should be done covering all the topics listed above and a small work should be carried out using the concept learnt in each unit in the group. Work should be assigned on individual basis. Student may choose project Management tools like (MS Project, OpenProj, dot Project, Trello, Asana, ClickUp).

Teaching Methods

The general teaching pedagogy includes class lectures, group discussions, case studies, guest lectures, research work, project work, assignments (theoretical and practical), and examinations (written and verbal), depending upon the nature of the topics. The teaching faculty will determine the choice of teaching pedagogy as per the need of the topics.

References

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