

COURSE SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

Academic School / Department:	Science, Innovation & Technology
Programme:	MSc Applied Computer Science (Conversion) MSc Artificial Intelligence
FHEQ Level:	7
Course Title:	Internship Placement
Course Code:	COMP 7901
Total Hours:	300 (Lev 7 Internship) (4 US Credits)
Timetabled Hours:	0
Supervised Learning Hours	8
Independent Learning Hours:	292 (with a minimum of 280 practice hours)
Credits	20 UK CATS credits 10 ECTS credits 4 US credits

Course Description:

This course provides students with the opportunity to undertake a supervised internship within a computing, software, or technology-focused organisation. Students apply applied computing knowledge, software engineering skills and professional competencies to real-world industry problems and workflows.

Prerequisites:

None

Aims and Objectives:

The aim of this course is to provide experiential learning in a professional computing environment, enabling students to apply technical and professional skills, reflect on workplace learning and demonstrate readiness for advanced industry roles.

Programme Outcomes:

B5, C1, C5, D2, D3, D5

A detailed list of the programme outcomes are found in the Programme Specification. This is located at the archive maintained by Registry and found at:

<https://www.richmond.ac.uk/programme-and-course-specifications/>

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Apply advanced computing and software development skills to professional tasks (C1).
2. Demonstrate effective communication, teamwork and professional responsibility in a workplace environment (D2).
3. Reflect critically on workplace learning, development and professional practice (D3, D5).
4. Produce technical and professional documentation to industry standards (B5, C5).

Indicative Content:

- Workplace induction and professional conduct
- Application of computing and software skills
- Professional communication and teamwork
- Ethical and responsible digital practice
- Reflective practice and continuous development

Assessment:

This course conforms to the University Assessment Norms approved at Academic Board and located at: <https://www.richmond.ac.uk/university-policies/>

Teaching Methodology:

Students undertake supervised work placement supported by employer guidance, reflective supervision and independent study.

Indicative Text(s):

- Fischer, M. (2023). *Make your internship count*. New York: Business Expert Press.
- Sweitzer, H. F. and King, M. A. (2019). *The successful internship*. Australia: Cengage Learning.
- Woodcock, B. and Keaveney, J. (2019). *Successful applications: work experience, internships, and jobs*. London: Bloomsbury Academic.

See syllabus for complete reading list.

Change Log for this CSD:

Nature of Change	Date Approved & Approval Body (School or AB)	Change Actioned by Registry Services
Guided Learning Hours menu updated	October 2025	
Total Hours Updated	October 2025	
