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# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

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## Software engineering 301 (COS 301)

<b>Qualification</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	27.00
<b>Programmes</b>	<a href="#">BIS Multimedia</a> <a href="#">BIT Information Technology</a> <a href="#">BSc Information Technology Information and Knowledge Systems</a> <a href="#">BSc(Computer Science) Computer Science</a>
<b>Prerequisites</b>	COS 110 and COS 121
<b>Contact time</b>	2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Computer Science
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Year

### Module content

The module exposes students to problems associated with software development on an industrial scale. Overall goals of the module are: to become familiar with the latest trends in software engineering; to understand the software engineering process and to appreciate its complexity; to be exposed to a variety of methodologies for tackling different stages of the software lifecycle; to understand and apply the concepts of systems administration and maintenance; to complete the development of a fairly large object orientation-based software product. The focus of the module is on a project that lasts the whole year. The project is completed in groups of approximately four (4) students and teaches students to take responsibility for a variety of roles within a group, and to understand the different requirements for these; to experience the advantages and problems of working in a group; professionalism with regards to particularly colleagues and clients.

After the successful completion of this module, the student will be able to: understand the psychology of a client; work in groups; and have an appreciation for planning, designing, implementing and maintaining large projects. These qualities should place the students in a position in which they are able to handle software development in the corporate environment.

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