



COIT13234 *Mobile Software Development*

Term 1 - 2025

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General Information

Overview

Mobile devices have become essential for communication, social media and business applications. In this unit, you will create a range of mobile applications with features that include UI design, database, email, HTTP, remote API calls, threading and services. Through the development process, you will research opportunities for mobile application development to design a solution. On completion of this unit, you will be able to create mobile applications with consideration of market needs for the design and development of mobile applications.

Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 3*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Prerequisites: COIT11237 Database Design and Implementation, COIT12200 Software Design and Implementation, COIS12036 Human-Computer Interaction.

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 1 - 2025

- Brisbane
- Cairns
- Melbourne
- Online
- Rockhampton
- Sydney

Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

Class Timetable

[Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

[Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

Assessment Overview

1. **Practical Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

2. **Portfolio**

Weighting: 30%

3. **Project (applied)**

Weighting: 40%

Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

Previous Student Feedback

Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

Feedback from Unit Coordinator and Student Feedback

Feedback

Students face difficulty in resolving dependencies when working with Android Studio.

Recommendation

Update the tutorials to ensure compatibility with the latest versions of Android Studio and minimise issues with dependencies.

Feedback from Unit Coordinator and Student Feedback

Feedback

Some students encountered assignment difficulties, especially in managing dependencies, due to insufficient details.

Recommendation

To improve the assignment experience, providing clearer instructions on managing dependencies is recommended.

Unit Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Design a mobile application
2. Build and test a mobile application
3. Explore the opportunities for incorporating socially innovative features in mobile applications
4. Evaluate information to recognise social, technical and security issues in mobile application development.

The Australian Computer Society (ACS) recognises the Skills Framework for the Information Age (SFIA). SFIA is adopted by organisations, governments and individuals in many countries and provides a widely used and consistent definition of ICT skills. SFIA is increasingly being used when developing job descriptions and role profiles. ACS members can use the tool [MySFIA](#) to build a skills profile.

This unit contributes to the following workplace skills as defined by [SFIA 8](#) (the SFIA code is included):

- User experience design (HCEV)
- Systems integration and build (SINT)
- User Experience Evaluation (USEV)
- Programming/Software Development (PROG)
- Testing (TEST)

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes			
	1	2	3	4
1 - Practical Assessment - 30%		•		
2 - Project (applied) - 40%	•	•	•	
3 - Portfolio - 30%	•		•	•

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes			
	1	2	3	4
1 - Communication	•		•	•
2 - Problem Solving	•	•	•	
3 - Critical Thinking	•	•	•	•
4 - Information Literacy	•		•	•
5 - Team Work				
6 - Information Technology Competence	•	•		
7 - Cross Cultural Competence				•
8 - Ethical practice				
9 - Social Innovation			•	
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures				

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

COIT13234

Prescribed

Android Programming: The Big Nerd Ranch Guide

5th Edition (2022)

Authors: Chris Stewart, Kristin Marsicano, Bill Phillips

Pearson

Indianapolis , Indiana , US

ISBN: 978-0137645794

Binding: Paperback

[View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop](#)

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- Android Studio (latest version)
- Flutter SDK

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - 10 Mar 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Android Application Development	Chapter 1 & 2	

Week 2 - 17 Mar 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Activities	Chapter 3 & 6	

Week 3 - 24 Mar 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Fragments, Layouts and Gradle	Chapter 8	

Week 4 - 31 Mar 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Recycler View	Chapter 9	

Week 5 - 07 Apr 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Database Chapter 11

Vacation Week - 14 Apr 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Week 6 - 21 Apr 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Fragment Navigation	Chapter 12	Android Programming Due: Week 6 Friday (25 Apr 2025) 11:45 pm AEST
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Week 7 - 28 Apr 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Dialogs, Toolbar and Debugging	Chapter 5, 13 & 14	
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Week 8 - 05 May 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Email and Camera	Chapter 15 & 16	
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Week 9 - 12 May 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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HTTP and Async Tasks	Chapter 24	Portfolio Due: Week 9 Friday (16 May 2025) 11:45 pm AEST
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Week 10 - 19 May 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Location Services and Map	Course Material	
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Week 11 - 26 May 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Cross Platform Technologies	Course Material	
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Week 12 - 02 Jun 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Deployment	Course Material	Project Due: Week 12 Friday (6 June 2025) 11:45 pm AEST
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Review/Exam Week - 09 Jun 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Exam Week - 16 Jun 2025

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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If you have any queries, please email me and I will get back to you within one to two business days. For an individual discussion, please email to discuss a time for a meeting.

Assessment Tasks

1 Android Programming

Assessment Type

Practical Assessment

Task Description

You are to create a mobile application using Kotlin and Android Studio. The application will consist of two screens or pages.

1. A list page using a RecyclerView that displays a list of all items
2. A details page that displays details for each individual items

Clicking on a list item will open the details page for that item.

More details of will be available on the Moodle site. You should also consult the weekly lecture/tutorials on the Moodle website for help and more information on completing the assignment.

Assessment Due Date

Week 6 Friday (25 Apr 2025) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Week 8 Friday (9 May 2025)

Weighting

30%

Assessment Criteria

This assessment is worth 30%. The marking criteria will include the following items.

- List Page Layout
- List Page Functionality
- Details Page Layout
- Details Page Functionality
- Use of Fragments
- List View
- Error Handling
- Use of Resources
- Code Quality

More information will be available on the Moodle site.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Submit via Moodle

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Build and test a mobile application

2 Portfolio

Assessment Type

Portfolio

Task Description

For this assessment, you are to create and maintain a design portfolio covering both design and technology aspects of mobile development. The portfolio will consist of the following sections.

- Identifying an issue in the local council/community and propose a novel mobile application to address the problem
- Discuss the social/economic benefits of the application and points of difference to existing applications
- Design, list, and discuss the features of the application
- Create a mockup of each of the screens with layout and navigation
- Research and discuss in detail the security mechanisms you need to employ

Assessment Due Date

Week 9 Friday (16 May 2025) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

Week 11 Friday (30 May 2025)

Weighting

30%

Assessment Criteria

The portfolio is worth 30%. The marking criteria will include the following items.

- Problem Description & Solution
- Benefits
- Application Features
- UI design
- Security
- Document and referencing

More details will be available on the Moodle site.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Submission via Moodle

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Design a mobile application
- Explore the opportunities for incorporating socially innovative features in mobile applications
- Evaluate information to recognise social, technical and security issues in mobile application development.

3 Project

Assessment Type

Project (applied)

Task Description

The project contains two sections. The first is a coding section that involves Android programming using Kotlin. The second section is a design-only section that will require you to take the two android applications in this and the previous assignment, merge them and add additional features.

1. Coding

You are assigned the task of adding additional features to the mobile application from the previous assessment using Android Studio and Kotlin.

- Fetch data using HTTP
- Save data to an SQLite database
- Display the data
- Email information to a recipient
- Show a location on a map

2. Design

In the design section, you will complete the design of an application.

- Design the final set of features
- Mockup the screen

Please note the following artifacts of this assessment task must be uploaded to Portfolium (<https://portfolium.com/activity>) as part of your course-wide portfolio:

- Design documents
- Source code

Assessment Due Date

Week 12 Friday (6 June 2025) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students

The assignment results will be returned on the day of Certification of Grades

Weighting

40%

Assessment Criteria

This assessment is worth 40%. The marking criteria will include the following items.

- Email
- HTTP
- Database
- Google Map
- Code Quality

The design document will be marked on

- Quality of features
- Quality of UI layout and navigation

More details will be available on the Moodle site.

You should also consult the weekly lecture/tutorials on the Moodle website for help and more information on completing the assignment.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Submit via Moodle

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Design a mobile application
- Build and test a mobile application
- Explore the opportunities for incorporating socially innovative features in mobile applications

Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

What can you do to act with integrity?



Be Honest

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



Produce Original Work

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem