Welcome
To The MSc Computing Course
(MCS)

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Overall Timetable Of The Course:
Autumn Term: October - December

- Compulsory Foundational Courses
- Programming
- Choose Group Project

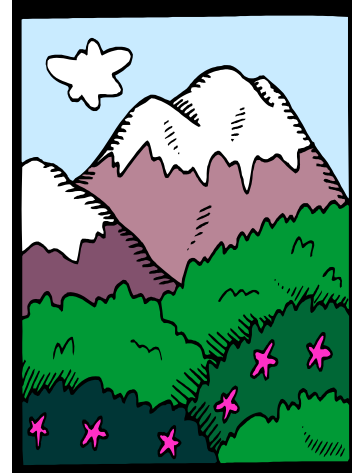Compulsory Foundational Courses: starting in week 3
- Logic and Artificial Intelligence Programming
- Object-Oriented Design and programming
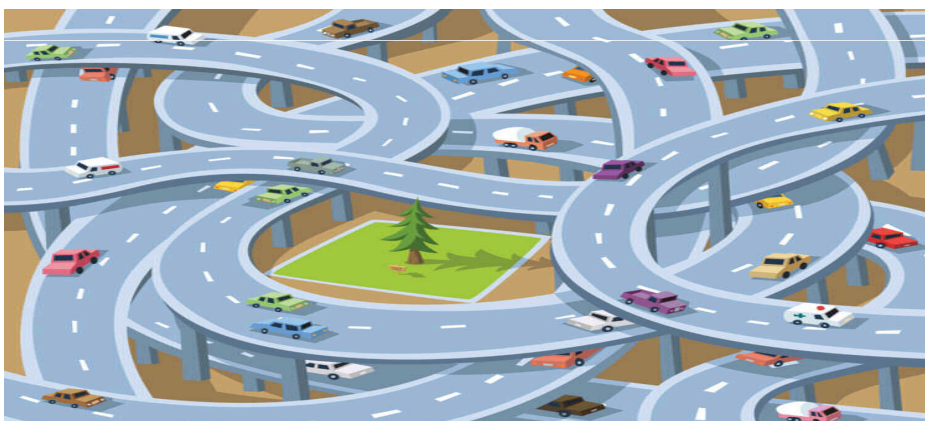- Computer Systems: Architecture and operating systems

Programming
- C++   including an intensive timetable in weeks 1-2
- Prolog
- Assembler

Spring Term: January – March

- Programming Exams in week1
- Short Java Course in week1
- Specialised Courses (4)
- Practical course:

Software Engineering Practice

- Choose Individual project

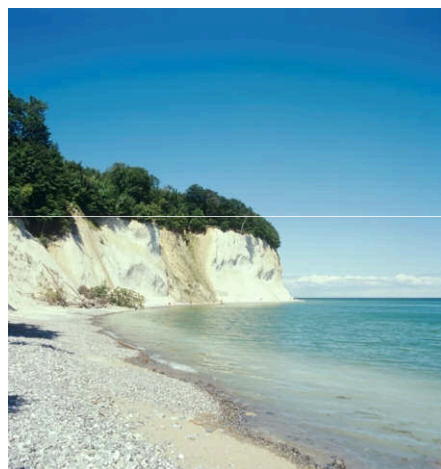You must make sure you are here at the start of term in January!

Important Note

Programming exams contribute 80% of your lab marks.

Lab counts as one course unit.

Summer Term: April – September

- Examinations
- Individual Project

Timetables and Useful Web Pages

Today: Meetings with tutors - at 16:30 in your tutor's room

Course Descriptions   Regulations

Noticeboard

http://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/~fs/msc-noticeboard/msc-noticeboard.html

Database   Book Lists
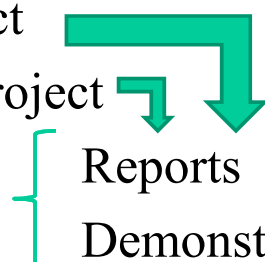
Cate   Personal Records

Lecture Course Subscriptions

Assessment

- Written Examinations
- Courseworks
- Programming
- Programming Tests
- Group Project
- Individual Project

Reports

Demonstration/Presentation

Degree Classification

- Distinction
- Merit
- Pass

Possible Prizes
for one or
two top students in the MSc!

Assessed work

- Will be marked and returned to you

- You must keep them all in a place where you can find them later

- You will be asked to return them all later for the Examiners Meeting in June/July

Communications

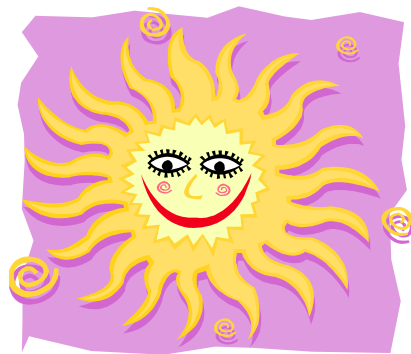- Email

Please check your emails daily

- Web information

Please check carefully.
You can find a lot of
important information there.

This can be a great year for you.

- Enjoy the course
- Enjoy the department
- Enjoy the College
- Enjoy London

Getting feedback from you

- Student representatives

- Regular meetings with me

- Staff-student Committee

Some words of advice

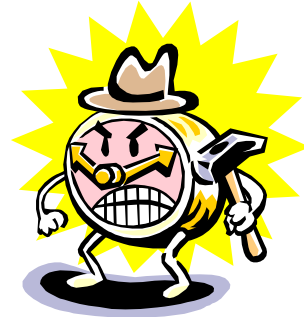Different backgrounds – do get discouraged in
comparison

Some words of advice

You need

Good Time management

- Don't fall behind
- Courseworks will come in
  thick and fast
- Deadlines are strict

How to Fail the MSc !

- Get a part-time job
- Get a job in the summer so you can't spend enough time on your project
- Miss coursework submissions
- Copy courseworks or lab work from others
- Generally fall behind

If you feel like this ……

Come and talk to someone.
We will try hard to help!

You can talk to

- Me

- My deputy

- Your personal tutor

- Department's senior tutor

- College counsellors

All details are in your introductory packs.

People with Responsibilities for MCS

MSc Deputy Course Director
Dr. William Knottenbelt

MSc Laboratory Co-ordinator
Mr. Iain Steward

MSc Group Project Co-ordinator
Dr. Cristian Cadar

MSc Individual Project Co-ordinator
Professor Alex Wolf

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