

L6 Assignment Brief: Comp3402 Nature of Computing 2020-21

Assignment 3 (Part 2)	Position Paper 3 (Part 2)	
Word Limit or equivalent (e.g. time)	No word limit. Indicative time 14 hours	
Weighting	1 / 6 of total module marks	
Learning Outcomes Assessed	6. Critically appraise the principles of a modern operating	
	system.	
Submission date	25 th April 2022	
Feedback date	One week following submission	
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Verified by	Dr Pete Moody	

If anything about this assignment is not clear to you, please contact your module leader.

What do I need to do to make a success of this assignment?

You will write a position paper addressing the question

"What are the important features of a modern operating system?"

There are two main sections to this paper. The first section is based on investigations using Arduino with a RTOS and parallel processing using OpenMP. The second section has two options, either application of RTOS or OpenMP to a significant problem, or a research-based option.

Section 1	Section 2	
	Option 1	Option 2
You will investigate some features of FreeRTOS on an Arduino. AND You will investigate some features of OpenMP running in Visual Studio C.	You will apply FreeRTOS to create a sophisticate drobot control architecture running on the Parallax Robot. OR You will apply OpenMP to a challenging computational problem	Review the literature related to Super Computers and discuss either their architectures OR their applications.



How should I present my work?

You may choose to write the paper in an 'essay' style without any headings, or you may structure your paper with headings, like a report.

Please look at the assessment matrix, especially at the weightings; you will see that the focus is on explaining operating system features. You may choose to include 'code snippets' to help your explanations along, or outputs captured from running programs.

One way of including journal articles is to write a short introduction paragraph where you outline what is to follow in your paper and cite the articles there.

How can I obtain guidance on my assignment?

You can submit an assessment plan of your work in progress or a short piece of text (no longer than two sides of A4, incorporating images, diagrams, tables) to enable you to obtain guidance on the overall structure and direction of your assignment. You should submit this no later than one week before the submission deadline to enable you to review and address feedback provided to develop your work. This will be in a Blackbeard drop-box, alternatively you may choose to demonstrate your work in class.

You will receive an assignment briefing during the session w/c 21st March.

How and when do I hand my assignment in?

Your work must be word-processed/typed and should clearly show your student number.

You should submit your work by the 3pm deadline on 25th April 2022. You should submit your work to the Blackboard drop-box which is available via MyDay. **You are required to keep a copy of work handed in**.

See the University's guide to uploading and submitting assessment items via Blackboard: https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student

If you have issues with Blackboard, Turnitin or PebblePad you will need to contact tel@worc.ac.uk



How will my assignment be marked?

Specific marking criteria for your assignment is provided in the Grading Matrix within this document.

You are strongly advised to check your completed work against the Grading Matrix to ensure have completed all areas required before you submit it.

Please consult the document on the module website which provides a glossary of terms used in this assignment and the grading matrix.

You should also ensure you adhere to the word limit / word count stated in your assessment brief document, details of which can be found in the University's Assessment Policy http://www.worc.ac.uk/aqu/documents/AssessmentPolicy.pdf



L6 Grading Matrix for Comp3402 Position Paper 3 (Part 2)

This matrix captures the assessment criteria for this part of the coursework.

Student Number/Name:	Academic Year and Semester:	Learning Outcomes:
	2021-22 AS	6. Critically appraise the principles of a modern operating system.
Module Code / Title:	Assignment No/Weighting:	
Comp3402	Ass 3 (part 2). Weighting 1/6	
Nature of Computing		
	Assessment Title:	
	Position Paper 3 (Part 2)	

To best understand this matrix, start by reading the 'baseline' grade C

	Knowledge and understanding	Autonomy in Learning		Communication
		Option 1	Option 2	
	Investigations into FreeRTOS	Application of either	Research into the	Well-written Paper
	and OpenMP	FreeRTOS OR OpenMP	architectures OR	
		to a sophisticated	applications of	
		application	Supercomputers	
	45	45		10
Α	Investigation and evaluation	Detailed presentation	Detailed material	Position is coherent
	are both comprehensive AND	AND critical evaluation	AND critical	and persuasive.
	detailed.		evaluation.	
В	Comprehensive OR detailed	Presentation is detailed	Material is detailed	Position is
	investigation and evaluation.			coherent.
С	Investigation and evaluation	Correct solution to	Material presented	Statement of
	of one feature of FreeRTOS	problem is presented.	has been carefully	position in clear
	and one feature of OpenMP.		selected.	language.
D	Investigation and evaluation,	Attempt at a solution,	Some material	Statement of
	does not include both	though there may be	presented, though	position is too short
	FreeRTOS and OpenMP	errors	may be arbitrary	or unclear.
F	Little or no attempt, or work	Little or no attempt at a	Little or no attempt	Little or no
	contains errors.	solution.	to present material.	statement of
				position.



Feedback on your assignment.

Please review this feedback and use it to develop your work in your next assignment in this and your other modules. If anything is unclear, please ask the marker.

Aspects done well and why:				
Aspects for improvem	nent and	why:		
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Development for futu	ire assign	ments:		
How successful completion of this assignment helps your employability and achievement of graduate				
attributes:				
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Grade awarded:		Marker:	Moderator*:	

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^{*} This person is responsible for moderating a sample of student work for this module. Your work may, or may not, have been included in this sample.