COMP1205 Presentation Programme 2013-14

Tuesday 13th May Building 34 Room 3001, 16.15-17.45

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Presenting: Groups: M, N, O, P Marking Groups: Q, R, S, T

Schedule and Topics
16.15-16.20: Introduction and protocol for the session
16.20 Group M: Serious games – gaming as a driver for applications online
16.40 Group N: Open Education OERs
17.00 Group O: Big Data – the big picture
17.20 Group P: Rights and equality in the workplace
17.40-18.00: Wash-up: feedback session for presentation groups

Abstracts

16.20 Group M: Serious games – gaming as a driver for applications online
Abstract
This short presentation on gamification explores what gamification is, why it is used, and how it may be implemented in various environments. Using real world examples of its use, an evaluation of the function and usefulness has been made, as well as insights into why it is used, along with how it may be implemented in certain situations in professional, learning, and data collection settings. We also discuss some drawbacks such as the over-dependence on the instant-gratification leading to an actual decrease in overall productivity. In addition, gamification is supposed to make use of friendly competition to increase output and learning. However, this might cause bitterness among co-workers, which would be detrimental towards morale and may produce an inappropriate office environment. Clearly, there are several sides to the argument, which are further examined within the presentation.

16.40 Group N: Open Education OERs
Abstract not available

17.00 Group O: Big Data – the big picture
Abstract not available

17.20 Group P: Rights and equality in the workplace
Abstract
When talking about rights and equality in the workplace, there are plenty of topic that should be taken into consideration, each with a strong supporting legislation. The first presented subject is the concept of equality itself, with an accent on both discrimination and rights. This is followed by a focus on labour law, which confers valuable information about
working time and wages. Another important legislation area is the one of employment, which controls things such as conditions of dismissal. Any employee should also be aware of health and safety, so the presentation offers information on risk assessment, regulations, testing and procedures. While all these issues are constantly addressed by legislation and any problem can be discussed in court, employees do not need to act by themselves. The presentation also includes an overview on trade unions, which exist to offer protection for workers and act towards common goals.

In conclusion, this presentation is trying to make an exhaustive overview of what employees should know about their rights and their possible course of action when these rights are not respected.