

Bachelor of Engineering in Network and Software

Engineering (Honours) (344JA.1)

Please note these are the 2021 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	60 Note: The selection rank is the minimum ATAR plus adjustment factors required for admission to the program in
	the previous year. This is an indicative guide only as ranks change each year depending on demand.
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Science and Technology
Discipline	Academic Program Area - Technology
UAC code	366054
English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.5 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).
	View IELTS equivalences

International students

Academic entry To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.

View UC's academic entry requirements

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Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Science and Technology
Discipline	Academic Program Area - Technology
CRICOS code	089802G
English language	An IELTS Academic score of 6.5 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).
requirements	View IELTS equivalences

About this course

Engineer your perfect career from the ground up

If you're dreaming of a career developing innovative software solutions to solve complex problems, then the UC Bachelor of Engineering Network Software Engineering (Honours) course is the perfect chance to learn the necessary skills to design and build your perfect career from the ground up.

Integrating the fields of network engineering, software engineering, electronics and information technology, this four-year honours degree will see you explore a wide range of specialised subject areas and teach you coding strategies and secrets enabling you to become proficient in reading, writing and developing code at all levels.

Packed with Work Integrated Learning (WIL) opportunities, this course also offers you the chance to complete both an industry-oriented engineering project and a professional internship which means you will have the opportunity to gain practical experience and implement theoretical ideas in real world situations.

Combined these experiences will give you a thorough, accurate appreciation of the information and telecommunications industry, while

teaching you skills to confidently secure a future in an ever-developing industry.

This course is also accredited by both Engineers Australia and the Australian Computer Society (ACS).

Study a Bachelor of Engineering in Network and Software Engineering (Honours) at UC and you will:

- acquire in-depth knowledge and skills on the design, development and implementation of a range of software-based systems over a variety of communication network infrastructures
- be able to read, write and engineer innovative software solutions at all levels
- work on individual and team-based projects
- · learn the professional skills to work within a corporate business environment
- gain technical skills in data communications and networking, mobile and wireless communications, network security, and the networked applications and services relating to cloud computing, big data and multimedia
- design, implement and operate communication networks and their associated services and applications
- · apply cross-cutting skills to the design and management of networked projects in a wide range of sectors
- graduate with a globally recognised qualification.

Work Integrated Learning (WIL)

Work-integrated learning (WIL) is an integral component of the Bachelor of Engineering in Network Software Engineering (Honours) journey as it gives students the opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience and build professional relationships through real work, or work-like placements.

As part of this course you will also have the opportunity to undertake a minimum of 12 weeks of professional work placement and work alongside industry specialists in a range of businesses such as: Intelledox, Omni Executive, Pursuit Technology, Qirx, Fujitsu Australia, Birdsnest, Agsafe, ThoughtPatterns Consulting, ESKAPEE, HydroAlgorithmics, ALLBIDS, VerveEd.com, Emanate Technology, Xero Australia and the Australian Taxation Office.

In your final year, you will also get to complete a capstone research project, producing and implementing an engineering solution for a local business, government or community organisation.

This practical, hands on approach encourages professional development while stimulating networking opportunities and ultimately insuring that you are armed with the right mix of skills, knowledge and experience to move confidently into professional employment once you graduate.

Career opportunities

The UC Bachelor of Engineering in Network Software Engineering (Honours) is a globally recognised qualifications that help you build a future career in any one of the following positions:

- Software engineer
- Network engineer
- Robotics engineer
- Software and Games developer

- Data scientist ٠
- Artificial intelligence/machine learning engineer •
- ICT consultant
- Database administrator .
- Cyber security specialist/forensics
- IT test engineer
- System administrator

Course-specific information

This course is fully accredited by Engineers Australia at Professional Engineer level, and also at Professional level by the Australian Computer Society.

UC prides itself on fostering close industry connections, with the course content reviewed annually by our Course Advisory Group, made up of a panel of industry experts, and collaborations with industry partners who can provide you with internship positions and training opportunities.

Professional accreditation

This course is fully accredited by Engineers Australia at Professional Engineer level and also by the Australian Computer Society at Professional level.

Admission requirements

Admission to this course is based on an entrance rank. A rank can be achieved by the following means:

- Year 12 ATAR
- other Australian Qualification
- work experience
- overseas qualification

We also offer a number of entry initiatives that give you the opportunity to gain entry to the University via alternate pathway programs and admissions schemes.

More information is available on our Alternative Entry page: http://www.canberra.edu.au/future-students/applications/applynow/alternative-entry

Assumed knowledge

Specialist Maths (Recommended) (T) or Mathematical Methods (T), or equivalent.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current course rules and university policy.

Course requirements

Bachelor of Engineering in Network and Software Engineering (Honours) (344JA) | 96 credit points

Required - 81 credit points as follows

Expand All | Collapse All

Major in Network Engineering (MJ0262) | 18 credit points

Required - Must pass 18 credit points as follows

Software Technology 1 (4483) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Computer and Network Security (8019) | 3 credit points – Level 3 Wireless Networks (8227) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Introduction to Network Engineering (8741) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Network Architecture (9428) | 3 credit points – Level 4 Technology and Engineering Management (9789) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Note:

• From 2019 the unit code for 8741 Introduction to Network Engineering has changed to 11485 and for 9428 Network Architecture to 11484.

Required Units - Must pass 63 credit points as follows

Introduction to Information Technology (4478) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Database Design (5915) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Systems Analysis and Modelling (6365) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Discrete Mathematics (6698) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Software Technology 2 (7170) | 3 credit points – Level 2 System Software (7171) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Web Design and Programming (7175) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Introduction to Computer Engineering (8223) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Electronics Systems (8224) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Engineering Management 2A (8228) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Communication Theory (8233) | 3 credit points – Level 3 Signals and Systems (8235) | 3 credit points – Level 3 Mobile Technologies (8878) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Contemporary IT & E Issues (9788) | 3 credit points – Level 3 ICT and Engineering Research Methods (9826) | 3 credit points – Level 4 Digital Signal Processing (10003) | 3 credit points – Level 3 Engineering Project (Part A) (10004) | 6 credit points – Level 4 Engineering Project (Part B) (10005) | 6 credit points – Level 4 Engineering Work Experience (0cp) (10006) | 0 credit points – Level 4 Engineering Mathematics (10087) | 3 credit points – Level 1

- 1. The unit Engineering Work Experience is for the recording & assessment of work experience, & has no credit points. Students should enrol into the unit when conducting the work experience.

- 2. A minimum of 12 weeks of professional work experience, normally undertaken at the end of the third year of fulltime study (or part-time equivalent), is required by Engineers Australia.

- 3. From 2019 the unit code for Systems Analysis and Modelling has changed to 11486, for System Software to 11489 and for Mobile Technologies to 11492.

Restricted Choice - 9 credit points as follows

Distributed Systems Technology (7159) | 3 credit points - Level 3

Game Programming Techniques (7160) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Object Oriented Software Design (7165) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Security and Support in IT (7167) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Soft Computing (7168) | 3 credit points – Level 3

System Testing (7172) | 3 credit points - Level 3

Visual and Interactive Computing (7174) | 3 credit points - Level 3

- From 2019 the unit code for Security & Support in IT has changed to 11488 and for Software Systems Architecture to 11491.

- Unit Availability: The availability of restricted choice units may vary each semester.

Advances in Information Sciences 1 (7897) | 3 credit points - Level 3

Advances in Information Sciences 2 (7898) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Information Sciences Internship (7899) | 3 credit points - Level 3

Biometric Person Authentication (8020) | 3 credit points - Level 3

Embedded Systems (8231) | 3 credit points - Level 3

Pattern Recognition (8240) | 3 credit points - Level 4

Optical Communications (8242) | 3 credit points - Level 4

Advanced Wireless Communication (8244) | 3 credit points - Level 4

Software Systems Architecture (8745) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Introduction to Digital Forensics (9074) | 3 credit points – Level 2 Enterprise and Cloud Computing (9281) | 3 credit points – Level 3 Client Server Computing (9782) | 3 credit points – Level 4 High Speed Networks (9783) | 3 credit points – Level 4 Security and Support in IT (11488) | 3 credit points – Level 1 Software Systems Architecture (11491) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Open Electives - 6 credit points as follows

- Unit Levels: In choosing electives students should note that not more than 30 credit points at Level 1 is permitted for the entire course.

Note:

• Must pass 6 credit points from anywhere in the University.

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the inherent requirements statement applicable to your course

Typical study pattern UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1 Semester 1 Database Design (5915) Engineering Mathematics (10087) Introduction to Information Technology (4478) Introduction to Network Engineering (11485) Semester 2 Discrete Mathematics (6698) Engineering Management 2A (8228) Introduction to Computer Engineering (8223) Software Technology 1 (4483) Year 2

Semester 1

Electronics Systems (8224)

Mobile Technologies (11492)

Software Technology 2 (7170)

Wireless Networks (8227)

Semester 2

Signals and Systems (8235)

Systems Analysis and Modelling (11486)

Web Design and Programming (7175)

Open Elective Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

Digital Signal Processing (10003) System Software (11489) Technology and Engineering Management (9789) Open Elective Unit Semester 2 Communication Theory (8233) Computer and Network Security (8019) Contemporary IT & E Issues (9788) Network Architecture (11484) Year 4 Semester 1

Engineering Project (Part A) (10004) Engineering Work Experience (0cp) (10006) ICT and Engineering Research Methods (9826) Semester 2

Engineering Project (Part B) (10005)

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing, From 2019

Year 1

Semester 1

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Open Elective Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

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Computer and Network Security (8019)

Contemporary IT & E Issues (9788) Network Architecture (11484) Year 4 Semester 1 Engineering Project (Part A) (10004) ICT and Engineering Research Methods (9826) Semester 2 Engineering Project (Part B) (10005)

Standard Full Time, Semester 2 Commencing, From 2019

Year 1 Semester 2 Engineering Management 2A (8228) Introduction to Computer Engineering (8223) Introduction to Information Technology (4478) Introduction to Network Engineering (11485) Year 2 Semester 1 Database Design (5915) Discrete Mathematics (6698) Software Technology 1 (4483) Systems Analysis and Modelling (11486) Semester 2 Engineering Mathematics (10087) Signals and Systems (8235) Web Design and Programming (7175) **Open Elective Unit** Year 3

Semester 1

Electronics Systems (8224) Mobile Technologies (11492) Software Technology 2 (7170) Wireless Networks (8227) Semester 2 Communication Theory (8233) Computer and Network Security (8019) Contemporary IT & E Issues (9788) Network Architecture (11484) Year 4 Semester 1 Digital Signal Processing (10003) System Software (11489) Technology and Engineering Management (9789) Semester 2 Engineering Project (Part A) (10004) ICT and Engineering Research Methods (9826) Year 5 Semester 1 Engineering Project (Part B) (10005)

Open Elective Unit

Standard Full-Time, Semester 2 Commencing

Year 1 Semester 2 Engineering Management 2A (8228) Introduction to Computer Engineering (8223) Introduction to Information Technology (4478) Introduction to Network Engineering (11485)

Year 2

Semester 1

Database Design (5915) Discrete Mathematics (6698) Software Technology 1 (4483) Systems Analysis and Modelling (11486) **Semester 2** Engineering Mathematics (10087) Signals and Systems (8235) Web Design and Programming (7175) Open Elective Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

Electronics Systems (8224)

Mobile Technologies (11492)

Software Technology 2 (7170)

Wireless Networks (8227)

Semester 2

Communication Theory (8233) Computer and Network Security (8019) Contemporary IT & E Issues (9788) Network Architecture (11484)

Year 4

Semester 1

Digital Signal Processing (10003) System Software (11489) Technology and Engineering Management (9789) Semester 2 Engineering Project (Part A) (10004) Engineering Work Experience (0cp) (10006) ICT and Engineering Research Methods (9826)

Year 5

Semester 1

Engineering Project (Part B) (10005)

Open Elective Unit

Course information

Course duration

Standard 4 years full time or part-time equivalent. Maximum 10 years from date of enrolment to date of course completion.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
Demonstrate advanced understanding of telecommunications and software engineering principles to architect, develop and operate communication networks and the associated services and applications assuring the appropriate security and quality mechanisms.	Knowledge and underlying principles and concepts in the engineering discipline, which are the basis for independent lifelong learning.
Demonstrate advanced knowledge of the underpinning mathematics, computer and information fundaments applicable to the engineering discipline.	Comprehensive, theory based understanding of the underpinning sciences and engineering fundamentals.
Develop a functional specification from an initial brief, evaluate the various design options available to meet a given set of technical requirements, formulate a final design specification, and demonstrate how to implement and test the preferred option.	Ability to gather information, analyse and evaluate information and situations in a systematic, creative and insightful way.
Determine which engineering principles are appropriate to use in the solution of complex technological problems in the field of information engineering.	Ability to apply problem¿solving processes in novel situations; identify, analyse problems then formulate, implement solutions.
Demonstrate an understanding of the professional engineering environment including appropriate team working skills, leadership, professional communication, and engineering workplace ethics, responsibilities and sustainability.	Capacity and intention to use professional knowledge and skills ethically and responsibly, for the benefit of others and the

	environment.
Apply systematic approaches to the conduct and management of engineering projects.	Ability to plan own work, be self¿directed, and use interpersonal skills and attitudes to work collaboratively.
Communicate effectively in oral and written form to professional and wider audiences.	Ability to present knowledge, ideas and opinions effectively and communicate within and across professional and cultural boundaries.
Design, implement and maintain software and network communication systems, using contemporary engineering practices and research skills.	Technical skills for the design, implementation and maintenance of software and network communication systems.
Participate in the processes of business analysis of systems, and appreciate entrepreneurial approaches in engineering practice.	Professional skills for the development of the engineering activity within a broad business context.
Apply relevant theories and techniques of data communication networks and software engineering to the analysis and solution of technological problems in the merging software and telecommunication industry, such as those encountered in the Commonwealth Public Service, major telecommunications companies and national and international software and networking industry companies.	Ability to apply relevant theories, techniques and engineering strengths to the analysis, design, construction and maintenance of systems in network communications and software engineering.
Demonstrate the ability to transfer and enhance the knowledge and skills acquired during the course to new or complementary areas of engineering and technology through the establishment of continuing professional development plans and career goal planning, key for lifelong learning.	Lifelong learning and personal attributes applicable to the evolving technological world.

Majors

• Major in Network Engineering (MJ0262)

Awards

Bachelor of Engineering in Network and Software Engineering (Honours)

BE Network&SE (Hons)

Honours

The Bachelor of Engineering in Network and Software Engineering (Honours) is an Honours degree. The Honours merit calculation will be based on the Honours Grade Point Average (Honours GPA) defined as the GPA in the required UG Level 3 and Level 4 units of the course and other conditions:

- First Class: Honours GPA >6, and High Distinction in Engineering Project (Part A) and Engineering Project (Part B);
- Second Class Division I: Honours GPA >5.25, and Distinction in Engineering Project (Part A) and Engineering Project (Part B);
- Second Class Division II: Honours GPA >4.5, and Credit in Engineering Project (Part A) and Engineering Project (Part B).

- The rest of students who pass the course take out honours without a class.

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Current and Commencing Students	Please contact the University Student Centre by Email student.centre@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1300 301 727
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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.