Liverpool John Moores University

Title:	Applied Instrumentation
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Owning School/Faculty:	Electronics and Electrical Engineering
Teaching School/Faculty:	Electronics and Electrical Engineering

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Academic Level:	FHEQ5	**Credit Value:**	20	**Total Delivered Hours:**	72
Total Learning Hours:	200	**Private Study:**	128		

Delivery Options
Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Tutorial	48

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Design of a simple application.	25	
Report	AS2	A more advanced design application.	25	
Report	AS3	Mini project encompassing more complex design strategies	50	

Aims

To introduce the students to a graphical based programming language that enables the user to program via a CAD style environment enabling them to create virtual instruments as a base for data acquisition and instrument control.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

1	Assess and use the LabView dataflow programming paradigm.
2	Use and design with virtual front panels, block diagrams, icons and connector panes.
3	Design virtual instruments using built-in LabVIEW functions.
4	Create virtual instruments in LabVIEW so they can be embedded within more complex designs.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Design Assignment 1	1	
Design Assignment 2	2	3
Mini Project	4	

Outline Syllabus

LabVIEW environment
How LabVIEW differs from traditional programming languages.
Define a VI, how to open, create and save VI's and templates.
Front panels
How they function and what are they used for.
What components make up the front panel.
Block diagrams
How they differ to front panels.
How they are constructed.
Data Flow
What is the dataflow paradigm.
Loops
Different types of loops in LabVIEW.
Controlling execution using loops.
Shift registers
What are the functions of shift registers.
How and when to use them.
Case Structures
How to construct a case structure.
How they differ from other structures in LabVIEW.
Visual Displays: Charts & Graphs
Difference between charts and graphs and how to select and use them
Displaying several signals in the same chart.
Using Built in Functions
Performing data analysis, for example FFT using built in functions
Strings & File I/O
String operations and conversions.

Using files to input data into a LabVIEW application.
Saving data from a LabVIEW program.
Connecting external hardware
Connecting external instruments and logging data
Connecting simple I/O boards

Learning Activities

By a series of seminars and practical sessions. Students will be encouraged to work independently.

Notes

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