INFR11011 – Advanced Databases

Response to student feedback in 2018/19 course survey

I/We have taken note of the feedback from students in this course survey, and have the following comments in response.

- Regarding coursework workload, in 2018/19 the coursework was split into smaller programming and homework assignments, evenly spread out throughout the semester. The homework assignments were short quizzes meant to reinforce the material presented in the lectures, and many students found them very useful in preparing for the final exam. Some students, however, prefer to have only one coursework assignment that counts towards the final mark. Taking that into account, in 2019/20 the coursework will consist of just one programming assignment worth the full coursework mark. To allow students to assess their progress during the semester, the course will also offer a few optional assignments with feedback received from the lecturer.

- Regarding C++, this course assumes a good level of programming in general. Some basic knowledge of C++ is desirable but not mandatory. Even students with no prior C++ experience, but with solid programming skills, were able to successfully complete programming assignments.

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