

DEREE COLLEGE SYLLABUS FOR:													
ITC 3138 EDGE COMPUTING (Previously: ITC 3338 EDGE COMPUTING) (Updated Fall 2025)	3/0/3 UK LEVEL: 5 UK CREDITS: 15												
PREREQUISITES:	ITC 2093 Operating Systems Concepts												
COREQUISITES:	None.												
CATALOG DESCRIPTION:	New computing paradigms; fog, edge infrastructures; slicing, management and orchestrations; IoT integration; applications; IIoT; business models; big data analytics in the fog; GDPR restrictions.												
RATIONALE:	The course introduces students to edge computing, an important branch of distributed computing and IoT with significant applications in Data Science. It further discusses the associated concepts of fog and cloud computing and exposes students to modern tools and APIs for use and deployment of relevant infrastructures.												
LEARNING OUTCOMES:	As a result of taking this course, the student should be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explore the need for new computing paradigms. 2. Explain major components of fog and edge computing architectures. 3. Identify potential technical challenges of the transition process and suggest solutions. 4. Analyze data and application requirements and pertaining issues. 5. Design and model infrastructures. 												
METHOD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING:	In congruence with the teaching and learning strategy of the college, the following tools are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lectures, laboratory sessions and use of generative AI tools to inform course content. • Office hours held by the instructor to provide further assistance to students. • Use of the online content management system (Blackboard CMS) to further facilitate communication. 												
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	<p><i>summative assessment grades, based on predetermined weights for each assessment. If students pass the final summative assessment, which tests all Learning Outcomes for this module, and the average grade for the module is 40 or above, students are not required to resit any failed assessments.</i></p>
INDICATIVE READING:	<p>REQUIRED READING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Buyya R., Srirama S.N., “Fog and Edge Computing”, Wiley, 2019. 2. Instructor’s notes. <p>RECOMMENDED READING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Taheri J. & Deng S. (eds.): “Edge Computing: Models, technologies and applications”, IET, 2020 2. Sabella D., Reznik A., Frazao R., “Multi-access Edge Computing in Action”, 1st edition, Kindle, 2019 3. Al-Turjman F. (ed.): “Edge Computing: from hype to reality”, Springer, 2019.
INDICATIVE MATERIAL: (e.g. audiovisual, digital material, etc.)	<p>REQUIRED MATERIAL: The New Frontier of the Web https://hackernoon.com/edge-computing-a-beginners-guide-8976b6886481</p> <p>RECOMMENDED MATERIAL: IoT Edge Computing: Introduction to AWS Greengrass https://www.pluralsight.com/courses/iot-edge-computing-introduction-aws-greengrass?aid=7010a000002LUv2AAG&promo=&utm_source=non_branded&utm_medium=digital_paid_search_google&utm_campaign=XYZ_EMEA_Dynamic&utm_content=&gclid=EA1aIQobChMI5sC76ua87wIV0_hRCh0BxAJ7EAAYiAAEgJla_D_BwE</p>
COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:	<p>Daily access to the course’s site on the College’s Blackboard CMS and the acg email.</p> <p>Effective communication using proper written and oral English.</p> <p>Use of word processing and/or presentations software for documentation and presentation of deliverables and the final project.</p>
SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:	<p>Microsoft Office Python 3.8+ OPENStack Docker Compose CU</p>
WWW RESOURCES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.openstack.org/ • https://www.docker.com/ • https://www.automationworld.com/fog-computing-vs-edge-computing-whats-difference • https://a16z.com/2016/12/16/the-end-of-cloud-computing/ • http://www.faredge.eu/#/ • https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edge_computing • https://opcfoundation.org/markets-collaboration/openfog/
INDICATIVE CONTENT:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New computing paradigms 2. The Business and IIoT challenge 3. C2F2T integration infrastructures 4. Autonomic management and orchestration

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">4.1. Slicing in 5G4.2. Slicing in software-defined clouds4.3. Slicing management in Edge and Fog5. Optimization and modelling frameworks6. Middleware Infrastructures<ul style="list-style-type: none">6.1. Edge cloud architectures6.2. Lightweight Edge Clouds6.3. IoT Integration and Blockchain-based orchestration7. Data in the fog<ul style="list-style-type: none">7.1. Big Data analytics7.2. Data management7.3. Data protection by design7.4. GDPR restrictions8. Applications and techniques<ul style="list-style-type: none">8.1. Smart e-Health, smart surveillance, smart transportation8.2. Predictive analysis for Fog applications deployment8.3. Testing of Fog IoT apps8.4. ML techniques for defending IoT systems
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