

5COSC023W Coursework 2 (Semester 2)

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Weighting:	50%
Description	
Handed Out:	15/3/2022
Expected deliverables	Source code/XML files/Resources (images, etc)
Method of Submission:	Online via Blackboard
Type of Feedback and Due Date:	Individual feedback via Blackboard within 3 weeks of submission All marks will remain provisional until formally agreed by an Assessment Board.

Assessment regulations

Refer to section 4 of the "How you study" guide for undergraduate students for a clarification of how you are assessed, penalties and late submissions, what constitutes plagiarism etc.

Penalty for Late Submission

If you submit your coursework late but within 24 hours or one working day of the specified deadline, 10 marks will be deducted from the final mark, as a penalty for late submission, except for work which obtains a mark in the range 40 – 49%, in which case the mark will be capped at the pass mark (40%). If you submit your coursework more than 24 hours or more than one working day after the specified deadline you will be given a mark of zero for the work in question unless a claim of Mitigating Circumstances has been submitted and accepted as valid.

It is recognised that on occasion, illness or a personal crisis can mean that you fail to submit a piece of work on time. In such cases you must inform the Campus Office in writing on a mitigating circumstances form, giving the reason for your late or non-submission. You must provide relevant documentary evidence with the form. This information will be reported to the relevant Assessment Board that will decide whether the mark of zero shall stand. For more detailed information regarding University Assessment Regulations, please refer to the following website :<http://www.westminster.ac.uk/study/current-students/resources/academic-regulations>

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5COSC023W MOBILE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT - Assignment 2

Deadline 12/4/2022, 13:00

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Description

You are required to implement an Android application using Kotlin described by the specifications below.

You are not allowed to use third-party libraries. The only libraries that you can use are the standard Android API libraries found in the following URL:

<https://developer.android.com/reference/>

It is important to follow exactly the specifications and your implementation must conform to these:

The application developed will be helping users with testing and acquiring new knowledge regarding movies.

The application will be using the <http://www.omdbapi.com/> Web service and the Room Library to save information about movies.

1. When the application starts, it presents the user with 3 buttons labelled *Add Movies to DB*, *Search for Movies* and *Search for Actors*. (2 marks)
2. Clicking on the **Add Movies to DB** button saves all the details of a few movies in an SQLite database local to the mobile device using the Room library. The specific information of the movies which will be saved is shown in the following link and the information saved could simply be hardcoded in the application.

<https://dracopd.users.ecs.westminster.ac.uk/DOCUM/courses/5cosc023w/movies.txt>

An appropriate database with appropriate tables should be created and populated by your application, based on the above data.

(20 marks)

3. The application is using the following Web service:

<http://www.omdbapi.com/>

You will need to create a free account on that web service which provides you with a unique key which you can use to make queries.

The documentation of how to use the Web service is in the above web page. For example, the following request (type this in your web browser by substituting your own personal API key):

```
https://www.omdbapi.com/?t=Matrix&apikey=YOUR_OWN_API_KEY
```

will give you back the results (in JSON format) of searching the title "Matrix":

```
{"Title": "Matrix", "Year": "1993", "Rated": "N/A", "Released": "01 Mar 1993", "Runtime": "60 min", "Genre": "Action, Drama, Fantasy", "Director": "N/A", "Writer": "Grenville Case", "Actors": "Nick Mancuso, Phillip Jarrett, Carrie-Anne Moss", "Plot": "Steven Matrix is one of the underworld's foremost hitmen until his luck runs out, and someone puts a contract out on him. Shot in the forehead by a .22 pistol, Matrix \"dies\" and finds himself in \"The City In Between\", where he is sho", "Language": "English", "Country": "Canada", "Awards": "1 win", "Ratings": [{"Source": "Internet Movie Database", "Value": "8.0/10"}], "Metascore": "N/A", "imdbRating": "8.0", "imdbVotes": "185", "imdbID": "tt0106062", "Type": "series", "totalSeasons": "N/A", "Response": "True"}
```

Clicking on the **Search for Movies** button will present the user with a screen displaying a single textbox and 2 buttons **Retrieve Movie** and **Save movie to Database**.

The user will be using the textbox to type the name of a movie and click the **Retrieve Movie** button to retrieve the details of the movie from the Web service. The details of each movie will be displayed as part of the same screen of the application in the following format:

```
Title: "The Shawshank Redemption"  
Year: 1994  
Rated: R  
Released: 14 Oct 1994  
Runtime: 142 min  
Genre: Drama  
Director: Frank Darabont  
Writer: Stephen King, Frank Darabont  
Actors: Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman, Bob Gunton
```

```
Plot: "Two imprisoned men bond over a number of years, finding solace and eventual redemption through acts of common decency."
```

(20 marks)

4. Following this, if the user clicks on the second button **Save movie to Database** all the retrieved details of the movie will be saved to the SQLite database of the device (using the Room library), by using the same tables which were utilised in the previous subquestion.

(10 marks)

5. Clicking on the **Search for Actors** button will display the user with a screen which contains a single textbox and a **Search** button.

The user can type in the textbox any string which is part of the name of an actor and subsequently press the **Search** button to display **ALL** the movies in the database which contain the typed string in the *Actors* fields of the movie in the corresponding table containing this information.

The search should be case insensitive and a match does not have to be a complete match but partial. I.e. if the user types the string “rUISE” the displayed movie(s) could be, a movie which contains “Tom Cruise” or “Penelope Cruise” in the list of actors.

(20 marks)

6. For all the tasks, the application should behave in a user friendly manner when the device is rotated from portrait to landscape and back to portrait mode. I.e. the application should resume from exactly the same point (same screen and data) when the orientation changes. The rotation of the device should not change what was the user was seeing before the rotation.

(10 marks)

7. Extend the application so that the initial screen contains an additional button which the user can press and subsequently type a string. All movies containing the string as part of their title will be retrieved directly from the **Web service (NOT THE DATABASE)** and displayed to the user.

For example, if the user types “MAT” all of the movies in the OMDb Web service containing this substring in their title will be retrieved and displayed to the user. These could be “The Matrix Resurrections”, “Matilda”, “Aftermath”, etc.

(10 marks)

Marking Scheme: The marks achieved for each part of the program are indicated in the description of the task above. In addition to these the following will be taken into account:

- *Code readability* (structure, comments, variable naming, etc.): 4%
- *Implementation* (e.g. quality, efficiency, look and feel of the application, based on fonts, colours, etc.): 4%

In addition to the above marks indicated in each of the sub-questions in the specification, additional marks will be deducted if an application behaves in an unexpected way. For example, an application should not crash, the application should work properly even if a user enters invalid data or rotate the device.

The maximum for work which does not compile (or XML files with syntax errors causing the Kotlin code not to compile) is 30%.

Submission of assignments using a different method other than Blackboard will not be accepted and zero (0) marks will be awarded in such cases.

Deadline: Tuesday 12th of April 2022, 13:00.

Submission Instructions

Files to submit: All of the files of the Android Studio project of your application in a zip file.
Referencing code: Any code taken from other resources (i.e. a textbook or internet) should be referenced in comments within your code (full textbook details or full web URL), identifying the exact code that you used it as part of your application and the exact portions of the original source code that you reused.

You should submit via BlackBoard's Assignment functionality (do NOT use email, as email submissions will be ignored.), all the files described above. A single zip file with the name wNNNNNNNN (where wNNNNNNNN is your university ID login name) containing all the above files could be submitted alternatively. You can create such a file by using the main menu in Android Studio and choose File->Manage IDE Settings->Export to Zip File...

Note that Blackboard will allow to make a submission multiple times. Make sure before submitting (i.e. before pressing the Submit button), that all the files you want to submit are contained there (or in the zip file you submit).

In the case of more than one submissions, only your last submission before the deadline given to you will be marked, so make sure that all the files are included in the last submission attempt and the last attempt is before the coursework deadline.

Request to mark submissions which are earlier than the last submission before the given deadline will be ignored as it is your responsibility to make sure everything is included in your last submission.

The following describes how to submit your work via BlackBoard:

1. Access <https://learning.westminster.ac.uk> and login using your username and password (if either of those is not known to you, contact the Service Desk, tel: +44 (0) 207 915 5488 or log a call via <https://servicedesk.westminster.ac.uk>).
2. Click on the module's name, MODULE: 5COSC023W.2021 MOBILE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT found under My Modules & Courses.
3. Click on the Assessment->Submit Coursework->Coursework.
4. Click on View Assignment.
5. Attach your zip file containing all the project files as above, by using the Browse button.
6. Create a Word or PDF file with the following information:
 - *Comments:* Type your full name and your registration number, followed by:
"I confirm that I understand what plagiarism is and have read and understood the section on Assessment Offences in the Essential Information for Students. The work that I have submitted is entirely my own. Any work from other authors is duly referenced and acknowledged."
7. Attach the file with the statement above.
8. Check that you have attached both the zip and the statement file.
9. Click the Submit button.

If Blackboard is unavailable before the deadline you must email the Registry at fitzregistry@westminster.ac.uk with **cc:** to myself and your personal tutor before the deadline with a copy of the assignment, following the naming, title and comments conventions as given above and stating the time that you tried to access Blackboard. You are still expected to submit your assignment via Blackboard. Please keep checking Blackboard's availability at regular intervals up to and after the deadline for submission. You must submit your coursework through Blackboard as soon as you can after Blackboard becomes available again even if you have also emailed the coursework to the above recipients.