**Form A: Course Evaluation - Student Comments**

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The best features of this course were:

- Fantastic project-based course. Used cutting-edge kernel for development.
- Groups of 2 worked well. Having specific lab was good. Daily consultations were nice.
- The project is fairly challenging and the lectures are great.
- Experience working with a real codebase to produce a sizeable project
- - with the freedom to screw up and recover
- - Learning about the cutting edge/near future in kernel design
- Challenging, excellent lectures
- The content and the project
- Difficult, with the right amount of work
  - Very interesting and hands on.
- Getting a chance to enjoy the night life and restaurant ecosystem around uni by virtue of being there 24/7.
- Good tutors, interesting content, sufficiently challenging
- Challenging, chance to work on a largish code base
- Implementing an entire operating system from scratch was super fun and taught me a lot about system design.

This course could be improved by:

- Clearer objectives
- - A lot of the discussion about constructing solutions concerned tradeoffs between costs and benefits, but it was never really clear what costs to minimize or benefits to maximize.
- - Being worth more UOC
- - Having more than 1 week without penalty for milestones
  - A few groups were able to get away with a few things whilst others were penalized.
  - It really depended on who was marking.
- - Also update the website. A lot of the things on it were vague and very confusing and old.
  - More consultation hours? 1.5 hours on some popular days like fridays would have been very helpful.
- - Better specification of the weekly tasks.
- - Make it worth 12 UOC if possible. Better specs for assignments.
- - Clearer information about what is expected from us for each milestone. Some requirements felt somewhat arbitrary.