Computer Programming – CPTR-105

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:00 - 9:50 PM

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Office hours

- Tues: 9:00 12:00 am; Thu: 10:00 12:00 am
- Feel free to drop in at any time if I am in office. Otherwise, send me an email so we can setup an appointment.

Textbook

- Java: Introduction to Problem Solving and Programming, 5/E, Walter Savitch Frank M. Carrano, ISBN-10: 0136130887
 - Companion website

Course description and objectives

Computer programming is the gateway to all practical skills in the field of computers. This course will introduce you to programming using the popular Java language.

The goal is not just to gain a proficiency in the Java syntax, but to develop an understanding of what it means to "think" in a (any) programming language, and how can one articulate oneself in such a language. In this sense, this course will be much like a course in a "foreign" language.

Pre-requisites

None

Courework and evaluation

Course evaluation will consist of homework assignments, (announced or unannounced) quizes, midterm exams, and a final exam. Follow the due dates for each assignment submission strictly. Homework should be handed in **at the beginning of the class**. Any assignment that is submitted later than that will incur a 50% penalty. Missing an assignment submission, quiz, or exam will result in a zero score unless there is a provable extenuating circumstance.

The course majorly involves practical work, i.e., you will learn by doing. Assignments will form the core of your effort (50%), and quizes and tests will have several programming questions. The more you practice, the better you will be. Expect to spend a lot of time in front of a computer.

Academic dishonesty and plagiarism

Your success in this course (and in general) depends greatly upon your integrity. Any activity that compromises your academic honesty will not be tolerated. Cheating and plagiarism will result in your automatically failing the class. Cheating is deliberate by definition. Plagiarism may not be deliberate but it will lead to a serious penalty regardless. Therefore, a simple guideline to follow is: when quoting another source, acknowledge it fully by citing it in the text somewhere. If you are in any doubt, please discuss with me before making a final submission. Please read the MC Source Handboook for more information on

Grading policy

Coursework weightage

Assignments 50%

Quizes 10%

Midterm Examination 20%

Final Examination 20%

The grading scale

A: 93%

A-: 90%

B+: 87%

B: 83%

B-: 80%

C+: 77%

C: 73%

C-: 70%

D+: 67%

D: 63%

D-: 60%

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