CS 120 Spring 2023

General Information

Instructor: Thomas Gendreau

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Office Hours: Office hours will be held online. See Canvas for the Zoom link

3:30-4:00 Monday, Friday

2:15-3:15 Tuesday, Thursday

12:00-1:00 Saturday beginning March 24

course website (lecture notes): www.cs.uwlax.edu/~tgendreau/cs120/cs120.html

Canvas course site (programming project submissions, post grades)

Textbook: Think Java: How to Think Like a Computer Scientist 2nd Edition by Allen B.

Downey and Chris Mayfield

Grading: 200 points: 10 in class quizzes (best 10 of 12)

200 points: Programming projects

100 points: Cumulative final exam

500 total points

Attendance: Class attendance is required. Lectures will be the only source for some class material. If you miss class, it is your responsibility to get notes from a classmate. You will need to take notes in class!

A quiz will be given in class every Friday except January 27 and May 5. Quizzes will usually include programming problems requiring you to write code on paper. There will be one makeup quiz date when I will give a quiz that can substitute for a quiz missed because of illness or other legitimate excuse. Only one quiz can be made up. Unusual situations such as multi-week illness will be handled on an individual basis.

Programming projects will be submitted through Canvas. Details about dues dates and late penalties will be given in the project slides.

Grading: The exact grade ranges will not be determined until after the final exam. Grade ranges will not be harder than A/AB (90%-100%), B/BC (78%-89%), C (65%-77%), D (50%-64%), F (0%-49%)

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https://www.uwlax.edu/info/syllabus/

UWL Catalog Entry: http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/coursedescriptions/cs/