ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Reading:

- csc148 Course Information Sheet.
  You must read this.
- csc148 Course Handbook.
  You must read the front section.

Course Web Site and Newsgroup

Web Site

- See the course information sheet for the location.
- The web site has lots of helpful and important information.
- The announcements pages is required reading.

Newsgroup

- The web site has a link to the course newsgroup.

Contact Hours

Me:

My office:

My office hours:

Tutors' lab hours:
Where they're held:
Where to find the hours:

We strongly encourage you to make regular use of both the lecturer and the tutor office hours.

Tutorials:

- Tutorials are not optional.
- You have been assigned a tutorial.
  How to find its location:

Assignments and Tests

See the course information sheet for:

- books,
- test dates,
- assignment due dates,
- late penalties, and
- the course marking scheme

The information sheet is distributed in class and available on the web at:

The details for handing in assignments (location and format), due times, and late penalties are **very strict**, so be sure you are aware of them.

Computers

Working in our PC lab

- See the course Information Sheet for information about your computer account.
- Change your password now, otherwise the security of your account will be compromised.
- You may have to use the PC lab occasionally, even if you plan to work from home as much as possible. So do get familiar with the lab.

Working from home

You may use your own computer to do your assignments for this course, if you have software for writing Java.

Two possibilities:

- What we're using in the PC lab:
- The Java Development Kit (JDK).
  Available for free through the web.
  See the web site for details.

Notes:

- Starter code for assignments will be organized assuming that you are using the same Java software as we're using in the lab.
  You may have extra work and some difficulties if you use another environment.
- We can't help you if you have problems with your computer.
  And such problems will not merit an extension on an assignment.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is a kind of fraud, and is taken very seriously. Letting someone else use your work is also an academic offense.

In brief: The work you submit must be your own — both the words and ideas.

You may discuss general approaches to assignments with others, but

- you must not have any written notes from the discussion,
- you must not show your solution to anyone or look at anyone's solution, and
- you must write your solution alone.

To protect yourself:

- Be prepared to prove that your work is your own: keep all printouts and notes.
- Don't leave listings or notes around.

If you are having trouble with the course, come see us! Don't cheat yourself.

Sometimes it is acceptable to use material that you didn't write, for example, code from the lecture notes or text. Always be sure it is allowed, and always give a citation, as you would in an essay.

Helping Each Other

On the other hand, you *should* meet other csc148 students and work together to:

- understand assignment handouts
- understand lecture and tutorial material
- work through example programs, proofs, and analyses
- solve exercises from the notes
- solve old exam questions from the web site
- do the online homework
- etc.