Welcome to ESC180!

About me

- Michael Guerzhoy (pronounced "ger-JOY")
- Have been teaching ESC180 since 2007, first as a TA, and then as a lecturer (with interruptions)
- Research work: computer vision, machine learning, applied statistics, data science for healthcare
- Industry work: computer vision R&D, data science consulting

About the class

See course outline and notes on:

- http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~guerzhoy/180/
- Sign up to the Piazza course forum right away: it's mandatory reading
  - https://piazza.com/utoronto.ca/fall2020/csc180
- Marking scheme:
  - 10%: Weekly labs
  - 25%: Assignments
  - 25%: A two-hour midterm
  - 40%: A final exam
  - Bonus marks may be available throughout the term
    - *You must receive at least 40% on the final exam to pass the course*

About the labs

- No lab prep required – just show up on time and do the work!
- The lab assignments will be posted on the course webpage
- You *must* work with a partner – post on Piazza if you don't have a partner yet
- Full credit for the lab will be given for making a "good effort" towards completing the lab
  - We are not trying to take away marks from you! If you make a good-faith effort, you will get credit, whether the lab is finished or not
  - Work together as a team – it's useful for both of the team members
- Seek help throughout the week if you need it

TAs and Zoom

- Your TA will be in touch with you soon
  - Will let you know how to make an appointment with them
- Your team should meet with a TA for at least 5 minutes to show them the lab
- Contact the TA for help throughout the week