

Course Information

CSC 209H1F: Software Tools and Systems Programming

Section L0101 — Fall Session 2005

Instructor

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Web Page <http://www.cs.utoronto.ca/~krueger/csc209h/>

The web site is the primary source of information about the course, including assignments, notes, marks and announcements. Check this web site regularly.

Newsgroup `ut.cdf.csc209h`

Please use the newsgroup for most of your course-related questions. If you have a question on a general subject, most of the class probably has the same question. Use email for personal issues, questions on your specific solutions or code, or other topics which you do not wish to make public.

Lecture Hours

Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00pm–2:00pm in room BA 1180.

Tutorial Hours

Fridays 1:00pm–2:00pm: (First tutorial on **September 16**)

- with James Li in room LM 157 for students with last names from **A** to **L**,
- with Yuan Gan in room SS 2128 for students with last names from **M** to **Z**.

Office Hours

Tuesdays 3:00pm–4:00pm and Wednesdays 1:00pm–2:00pm in room BA 3234.

Textbooks

Unix System Programming Second Edition, Keith Haviland, Dina Gray, and Ben Salama, Addison-Wesley, 1998.

C Programming: A Modern Approach, K.N. King, W. W. Norton and Company, 1996.

However, please see the note on the web site about alternate textbooks.

Marking Scheme and Schedule

Component	Weight	Date
Assignment 1: Shell Programming	10%	Thursday, October 6, 10:00pm
Assignment 2: System calls	10%	Thursday, October 27, 10:00pm
Midterm Exam	20%	Tuesday, November 1, in class
Assignment 3: Processes and IPC	10%	Thursday, November 17, 10:00pm
Assignment 4: Sockets and Select	10%	Thursday, December 8, 10:00pm
Final Exam	40%	scheduled by Faculty

NOTE: To pass the course, students must obtain a minimum mark of 40% on the final exam.

Late Policy

The late policy is strict. All assignments will be submitted electronically. Assignments are due at **10:00pm** on the due date.

Late assignments will be handled based on a system of “grace days,” as follows: Each student begins the term with 3 grace days. One grace day is 24 hours. If an assignment is due at 10:00 p.m. on a Thursday, then an assignment handed in by 10:00 p.m. on Friday uses one grace day; if handed in by 10:00 p.m. Sunday, it uses up 3 grace days. The grace days are intended for use in emergencies (e.g., printer failure or car failure). Do not use them to buy an extension because of a busy week or you will be out of luck in a true emergency.

If you are at risk of missing a deadline due to a busy week, rather than use your grace days you should hand in a working (and tested) version of a simpler program. This will be easy to do if you have written and debugged a series of programs that accomplish more and more of the assigned problem.

In the event of an illness or other catastrophe, get proper documentation (e.g., medical certificate), and contact me as soon as possible. Do not wait until the due date has passed. It is always easier to make alternate arrangements before the due date or test day. If an assignment is handed in late without prior arrangement or after your grace days have been exhausted, you will receive zero on the assignment.

Since your assignments are submitted electronically and will usually be tested using an automated testing program, you must follow the submission instructions exactly. If you do not, you will most likely lose substantial marks on the assignment. If you find you have submitted the wrong file or omitted a file, please notify your instructor as soon as possible.

Remarking

For remarking requests, you must fill out the online form and explain in detail your concern with the original marking. Requests for remarking should be submitted no later than **one week** after the assignment or test has been returned to the class.

Plagiarism (Collaboration in Homework)

The work you submit must be your own. Plagiarism is a form of academic fraud and is treated very seriously. You may discuss general approaches to assignments with others, but you should not leave such discussions with any written material provided by or copied from another person. It is *not* difficult for the graders to detect undue collaboration. Note that it is a serious offense to help someone commit plagiarism. If you are unsure whether an activity may constitute plagiarism or undue collaboration, consult the instructor immediately.

Do not lend your assignment or let others copy it.

Important Dates

Deadline to add F courses:	September 25, 2005
Final exam timetable posted:	October 21, 2005
Deadline to drop F courses:	November 6, 2005
Classes end:	December 9, 2005
Final exams:	December 12–21, 2005