CSC324 – Principles of Programming Languages, Winter 2004

Course Information

General Information

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ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE THROUGH THE COURSE WEB PAGE AND IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO VISIT IT FREQUENTLY.

Lectures: Monday & Wednesday 1:00 – 2:00 Bahen 1190 **Tutorials:** Friday 1:00 – 2:00 various locations

- Tutorials begin the 2nd week of term.
- You must attend your assigned tutorial.
- Your tutorial location and tutor's name will be posted on the course web page.

Textbooks

Required:

- Course textbook: Sebesta, Concepts of Programming Languages, 6th ed., Addision-Wesley, 2003.
- Working on CDF: Clarke, A Student's Guide to CDF, UofT Custom Publishing, 2001

Available from the library for short term loan; may be useful:

- R. Sethi, Programming Languages: Concepts and Constructs, 2nd ed., Addison-Wesley, 1996.
- Scheme: Dybvig, The Scheme Programming Language: ANSI Scheme, 2nd ed., Prentice Hall, 1996. (I have also requested the 3rd edition of this book, 2003.)
- Scheme: Springer and Friedman, Scheme and the Art of Programming, McGraw-Hill/MIT Press, 1989.
- Prolog: Clocksin and Mellish, Programming in Prolog, 4th ed., Springer-Verlag, 1994.
- Prolog: Bratko, PROLOG, Programming for Artificial Intelligence, 3rd ed., Addison-Wesley, 2001.
- Prolog: Sterling and Shapiro, The Art of Prolog: Advanced Programming Techniques, 2nd ed., MIT Press, 1994.

Prerequisites

Prerequisites from the 03/04 calendar: CSC207/CSC270, CSC236/CSC238/CSC240.

If you lack a course prerequisite or CGPA requirement, the CS undergraduate office will eventually remove you from the course. Only in special cases will I give my permission for a student to take CSC324 without the course prerequisites. See me as soon as possible to discuss this.

Course Grading Scheme

Item	Topic	Weighting	Due Date
Assignment 1	Formal Specs.	5%	Friday January 23
Assignment 2	Scheme	5%	Friday February 6
Assignment 3	Scheme	10%	Monday February 23
Midterm		15%	Friday February 27
Assignment 4	Prolog	5%	Friday March 19
Assignment 5	Prolog	15%	Thursday April 8 (Last day of class no grace days!)
Final Exam		45%	examination period

- All assignments are to be done individually.
- You must receive at least 40% on the final exam in order to pass this course.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism -- or simply, cheating -- is taken to be the handing in of work not substantially the student's own. It is usually done without reference, but is unacceptable even in the guise of acknowledged copying. It is reprehensible, and the penalty will be severe.

It is not cheating, however, to discuss ideas and approaches to a problem, nor is it cheating to seek or accept help with a program or with writing a paper. Indeed, a moderate form of collaboration is encouraged as a useful part of any educational process. Nevertheless, good judgement must be used, and students are expected to present the results of their own thinking and writing. Never copy another student's work -- it is plagiarism to do so, even if the other student "explains it to you first." Never give your written work to others. Sharing work with others for the purposes of plagiarism is also a violation. Do not work together to form a collective solution, from which the members of the group copy out the final solution. Rather, walk away and recreate your own solution later.

Late Policy

- Late assignments will be handled based on a system of "grace days", as follows: Each student begins the term with 2 grace days. An assignment handed in from one minute to 24 hours late uses up one grace day. 24:01 to 48 hours late uses up two grace days.
- Once you have exhausted your grace days, the penalty is 20% of the assignment total grade for each day.
- Note that no grace days will be allowed for the last assignment because it is due on the last day of classes.
- The grace days are intended for use in emergencies (e.g., hard drive crash, printer failure or TTC breakdown). 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 series programs that accomplish more and more of the assigned problem.

Silent Policy

A silent policy will take effect 24 hours before an assignment is due. This means that no question will be answered, whether it is asked on the newsgroup, by email or in person.

Illness

In the event of an illness or other catastrophe, get proper documentation (e.g., medical certificate), but if you have grace days left, use them. If you need those days back later, give your documentation to me at that time.

Important Dates

Add Deadline: January 18 Drop Deadline: March 7

Reading Week: February 16-20 (no classes)

Last day of classes: April 8

Final exam period: April 19 – May 7

Web sites for Software and Documentation

Scheme: http://www.swiss.ai.mit.edu/projects/scheme/index.html

Prolog: http://www.swi-prolog.org/

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Preliminary Course Schedule

(Changes will be made as necessary)

Week	Due Monday	Mon Lecture	Wed Lecture	Fri Tutorial	Due Friday*
1. Jan 5-9		Intro	Formal Spec	N/A	
2. Jan 12-16		Formal Spec	Formal Spec	Formal Spec	
3. Jan 19-23		Formal Spec	Scheme	Formal Spec	Ass. 1
4. Jan 26-30		Scheme	Scheme	Scheme	
5. Feb 2-6		Scheme	Scheme	Scheme	Ass. 2
6. Feb 9-13		Scheme	Scheme	Scheme	
- Feb 16-20		READING	WEEK		
7. Feb 23-27	Ass. 3	Proc Design	Review	Midterm	
8. Mar 1-5		Proc Design	Proc Design	Proc Design	
9. Mar 8-12		Prolog	Prolog	Prolog	
10. Mar 15-19		Prolog	Prolog	Prolog	Ass. 4
11. Mar 22-26		Prolog	Prolog	Prolog	
12. Mar 29- 2		Prolog	TBA	Prolog	
13. Apr 5-9		TBA	Review	N/A	Ass. 5 *

^{*} Assignment 5 is due on Thursday April 8, the last day of classes.