CSC486/2502: Knowledge Representation and Reasoning Fall 2021

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Course website: Quercus, all course material, including lecture slides, will be posted on the portal.

All announcements will be made through the portal (Quercus) and/or course discussion board, and it is your responsibility to check them regularly.

Course Overview

Meeting Times:

- Lectures: Mondays 15:00 -- 17:00
- **Tutorials**: Wednesdays 15:00-16:00, **by arrangement** (announcements will be made one week ahead). Tutorial times will occasionally be used for **lectures**.

<u>Textbook:</u> Knowledge Representation and Reasoning, by Brachman and Levesque (2004) (Recommended but not required).

Evaluation

The following table summarizes the course-work percentages and due dates. All times are *Toronto time (EDT)*.

Item	Due Dates	Weight
Assignment #1	Oct 05, 11pm	10%
Assignment #2	Oct 19, 11pm	15%
Assignment #3	Nov 23, 11pm	25%
Test 1	Nov 01, during the class time	25%
Test 2	Dec 06, during the class time	25%

Policies and Other Instructions

<u>Re-marking Requests</u> If you feel a piece of your work has been graded unfairly, please submit a written request within *one week* of receiving the work back. Explain your request clearly and briefly. Remark requests must be submitted through MarkUs.

<u>Late Work</u> Late assignments will be handled based on a system of grace days: Each student begins the term with 3 grace days. An assignment handed in from one minute to 24 hours late uses up one grace day. Once you have exhausted your grace days, the penalty is 20% of the assignment total grade for each day.

<u>Discussion Board</u> General questions about the course organization, material, and assignments should be posted on the discussion board (https://piazza.com/utoronto.ca/fall2021/csc4862502). The discussion board will be monitored by the instructor and TAs, but can also be used for discussion among students. You may NOT discuss the assignment solutions on the board until one week after the assignment's due date.

<u>Email Policy</u> Please use your <u>university email address</u> and put the <u>course code</u> in the subject line of your emails. Use email only for <u>personal issues</u> such as requesting special considerations. Compose a short message and clearly describe a single topic. Email response time may be **48** hours or longer; if you do not hear back as your expectation, come to the weekly office hours.

<u>Academic Integrity</u> Academic integrity is a fundamental principle in higher education. Any breach of academic honesty is a serious academic offence which eventually can affect one's professional life dramatically. Suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be investigated based on the <u>University's Integrity Policies</u>, with no exception.

When discussing assignment problems with other groups, do NOT take any notes (paper or electronic) from the discussions. Your submissions must be developed and written solely based on *your own interpretation* of group discussions, otherwise it will be considered as plagiarism. For details on the meaning of plagiarism and how it can be avoided read <u>this</u> document.