CSE 1310
Introduction to Computers and Programming
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For course description, textbook, prerequisites, grading policy, etc., see Mr. Springston's syllabus at http://ranger.uta.edu/~springst/FDOCSCSE1310_001_2998.doc.

Assignments: There will be 3 programming assignments for the remainder of the course. Assignments should be turned in no later than their deadline. Late assignments will not be accepted without prior approval of the instructor. If you are unable to complete an assignment on time, please contact me as early as possible to make other arrangements.

Exams: There are three exams: two midterm exams (already done) and a comprehensive final exam on December 7. If you are unavailable for an exam, please contact me as early as possible to make other arrangements. Make-up exams will be given only for university-approved absences (see UTA catalog).

Unlike the midterm exams, the final exam will not be multiple choice. You will be asked to evaluate code (e.g., “what does this function return?”) and to write short programs.

Email Policy: Class-related email should be sent to nystrom@uta.edu. The subject line must include “1310” or the email will be lost. The subject must contain the appropriate identifier if it is a lab or paper turnin. Emails sent to the wrong address or without proper classification in the subject will be deleted before being read. Do not send me MS Word documents—I will not read them. Plain text is best. If you want to send me a formatted document, use PDF or HTML.

Americans with Disabilities Act: The University of Texas at Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide “reasonable accommodations” to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. Any student requiring an accommodation for this course must provide the instructor with official documentation in the form of a letter certified by the staff in the Office for Students with Disabilities, University Hall 102. Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at www.uta.edu/disability or by calling the Office for Students with Disabilities at (817) 272-3364.

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For written assignments, I expect each student to write up his or her answers individually. You may not copy solutions or code. You should not look at each other’s code. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. When handing in your assignments please give credit to anyone who helped you. Cite your sources.

Collaboration of any kind is not permitted on exams.

Electronic Communication Policy: The University of Texas at Arlington has adopted the University “MavMail” address as the sole official means of communication with students. MavMail is used to remind students of important deadlines, advertise events and activities, and permit the University to conduct official transactions exclusively by electronic means. For example, important information concerning registration, financial aid, payment of bills, and graduation are now sent to students through the MavMail system. All students are assigned a MavMail account. Students are responsible for checking their MavMail regularly. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at http://www.uta.edu/git/email/. There is no additional charge to students for using this account, and it remains active even after they graduate from UT Arlington.