CS 146: The Big Picture

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PREREQUISITES: None

TEXT: PPT and selected readings available on the web

CONTENT:
- INTRODUCTION, HISTORY, WHAT IS COMPUTER SCIENCE? ~2 WEEKS
- TRANSITION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE AT UWEC ~1 WEEK
- INTERNSHIPS, JOBS, STUDY ABROAD ~1 WEEK
- COMPUTERS AND SOCIETY, ETHICS, SOCIAL COMPUTING ~2 WEEKS
- COMPUTATIONAL THINKING ~2 WEEKS
- BIG IDEAS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE ~6 WEEKS

GRADING: Attendance – 80% Assignments - 20%

ASSIGNMENTS: All assignments are due at the beginning of the class period on the due date specified. Late assignments and make-up exams will not be accepted unless prior approval is granted.

EXAMS: There are no exams scheduled for this course.

ATTENDANCE: Attendance and participation in lectures is expected and will be counted toward the final grade. Students are responsible for all material assigned or discussed in class.

As a general rule, make ups for missed in-class activities will be provided only when due to an authorized absence. It is the student’s responsibility to inform the instructor of such situations and to provide appropriate documentation.

Students will need to consult with the instructor regarding the nature of the make ups and due dates. Work that is late for non-authorized reasons will not receive full credit and if is too late, it will not receive any credit. Although students will not be penalized when absences are authorized, it is important to understand that in some cases the make-up work may be significantly different from the original assignments, exams, etc.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Before end of 1st week of class:
You can register for or add full-semester courses without instructor’s approval.

By end of 2nd week of class:
- drop full-semester fall courses with no record.
- register for or add full-semester fall courses without dean’s approval.
- change grade basis to/from Satisfactory-Unsatisfactory or Audit.
- (after that, you have to fill a Change of Registration form with proper signatures).
By 10th week of class:
- file a withdrawal from the University with “W”s.
- withdraw from individual full-semester classes.

ADA: Any student who has a disability and is in need of classroom accommodations, please contact the instructor and the Services for Students with Disabilities Office in Old Library 2136 at the beginning of the semester.

CHEATING: All tests, homework, and programs must be retained as proof of scores received. The departmental policy on plagiarism and collaboration will be honored. Students violating the policy will be subject to disciplinary action as prescribed by the University of Wisconsin System Student Disciplinary Procedures Chapter 14 U.W.S. as passed by the Board of Regents and implemented by UWEC. Disciplinary action for this course includes, but is not limited to, failure of the course.

COMPUTER USAGE: Students are given access to computers maintained by the Department of Computer Science for educational purposes only. Access may be denied or suspended if the resources are used inappropriately.

CLASSROOM CIVILITY: As members of this class, we are members of a larger learning community where excellence is achieved through civility. Our actions affect everyone in our community. Courtesy is reciprocated and extends beyond our local setting, whether in future jobs, classes, or communities. Civility is not learned individually, it is practiced as a community.