

Programming with Java, Boston University

MET CS 232 B1, Fall 2012

Day: Tuesday, 6:00-9:00 PM

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course covers the elements of object-oriented programming and the Java Programming Language. Primitive data types, control structures, methods, classes, arrays and strings, inheritance and polymorphism, interfaces, creating user interfaces, applets, exceptions and streams. Laboratory course. 4 cr.

PREREQUISITE

Programming experience in a high-level language other than Java.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To understand the essential concepts in computer science
- To be introduced to object oriented programming
- To learn the Java programming language

TEXT

Required: Java: Introduction to Problem Solving and Programming, 6/E, by Walter Savitch, copyright 2012, published by Prentice-Hall, ISBN 9780132162708.

GRADING

Programming assignments/Homework	40%
Class Participation and Attendance	10%
Midterm	25%
Final	25%

PROGRAM EVALUATION CRITERIA

Program correctness	60%
Documentation	20%
Readability	20%

SCHEDULE

DATE	TOPIC	READING (TEXT CHAPTER)
09/04	Introduction, Overview/UML/Pre and Post Conditions	1
09/11*	Primitive Types, Strings, Interactive I/O, JUnit Testing	2
09/18	Flow of Control	3, 4
09/25*	Defining Classes and Methods, Objects and Methods	5, 6
10/02	Arrays	7
10/09	No Class	
10/16*	Arrays/Review	7
10/23	Midterm Exam	
10/30*	Inheritance/Exception Handling	8
11/06	Exception Handling	9
11/13*	Array Lists/Generic Types	12.1
11/20	Streams and File I/O	10
11/27*	Other Topics(Dynamic Data Structures)/Object Oriented design	12
12/04	Other Topics(Dynamic Data Structures)/Object Oriented design/Databases/Threads etc.	Handout
12/11*	Window Interfaces Using Swing Objects/Applets/Review	6.8, 8.5, 7.6, 1.4, 3.4, 4.3, 5.4, 6.8, 8.5, 9.4
12/18	Final Exam	

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Reading the relevant material in the textbook is essential for gaining a thorough understanding of the topics covered in the course.
- Not all of the material in each chapter will be covered during lecture/discussion, but the material should be read in any case.
- Your programs must be done in Java. An entire letter grade will be deducted for each day a programming assignment is late. All programming assignments must include the source code, pseudo code (program outline) including test plan, as well as the binaries. Programming assignments will not be accepted later than the end of the class the day it is due. Students will not receive credit for late homework.
- Be sure to get a copy of "2012 Fall Schedule". It contains lots of useful data such as radio stations announcing class cancellations, important dates, etc. (<http://www.bu.edu/reg/dates/ldates-fall12.html>)
- Inclement weather: BU will announce University closures by a recording via 617-353-SNOW or on its website at www.bu.edu. As a last resort for information, call the University operators at (617) 353-2000.

ACADEMIC HONESTY

The course is governed by the Academic Conduct Committee policies regarding plagiarism (any attempt to represent the work of another person as one's own). This includes copying (even with modifications) of a program or a segment of code. You can discuss general ideas with other people, but the work you submit must be your own. Collaboration is not permitted.

ELECTRONIC MAIL

To be sure you *can* communicate with the instructor electronically and to add your email to the class distribution list, please send a test message with the subject line *CS232-B1 TEST* to the instructor's email address – include your name in the body of the message.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A BU ACS ACCOUNT

You need an ACS account to access the course's website. If you do not have an ACS account, you can apply for one by following the directions at this site:

<http://www.bu.edu/computing/accounts/acsaccounts/>