

## **Course Syllabus**

### **SIE 507 Information Systems Software Engineering**

#### **Course Description**

Programming for those envisioning careers focused on developing and managing information systems and databases as opposed to software design. Data structures, algorithms, and their analysis. This course is tailored for graduate students in information systems and spatial information engineering with little to no previous programming experience that have a need for practical in depth Java programming skills.

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#### **Prerequisites**

SIS or MSIS students, of permission of the instructor

#### **Course texts**

Walter Savitch: Java - An Introduction to Computer Science and Programming.

Robert Sedgewick: Algorithms in Java (third edition)

Powerpoint slides of lecture material will be available on a course web page.

#### **Course Goals and Objectives**

- Introduce students to central concepts of information system development
- Develop an understanding of software design processes
- Acquire essential computer programming skills

#### **Faculty Information**

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#### **Office Hours**

Office hours for this course will be announced at the beginning of the semester. Alternatively, contact me by email to arrange a time to meet.

#### **Grading, Class Policies and Course Expectations**

As a graduate level course, you are expected to exhibit high quality work that demonstrates sound understanding of the concepts and their complexity. Earning an “A” represents oral and written work that is of exceptionally high quality and demonstrates superb understanding of the course material. A “B” grade represents oral and written work that is of good quality and demonstrates a sound understanding of course material. A “C” grade represents a minimally adequate completion of assignments and participation demonstrating a limited understanding of course material.

##### *Grading criteria:*

Assignments – 30%

Midterm –30%

Final Exam – 30%  
Class participation 10%

**Academic honesty**

Academic honesty is expected. Plagiarism is unacceptable in this course and will result in a failing grade.

*Students with disabilities:*

If you have a disability for which you may be requesting an accommodation, please contact Ann Smith, Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities (Onward Building, 581-2319), as early as possible in the term.

**Course topics:**

## Week 1

Course Introduction and overview

Part 1: Fundamental programming structures in Java

Elementary data structures

## Week 2

Assignments and initializations

Operators

Strings

## Week 3

Control flow

Arrays

## Week 4

Part 2: Object-oriented programming

Abstract data types

## Week 5

Objects and classes

Constructors

## Week 6

Method parameters

Overloading

Packages

Week 7  
Documentation  
Inheritance  
Interfaces

Week 8  
Part 3: Algorithms  
Recursion and trees

Week 9  
Sorting methods  
Principles of algorithm analysis

Week 10  
Searching  
Binary search trees  
Balanced trees

Week 11  
Hashing  
B Trees

Week 12  
Part 4: Software design processes  
Unified Modelling Language (UML)

Week 13  
Software design patterns  
Creational patterns  
Structural patterns

Week 14  
User interface design  
Usability testing

Week 15  
Structured development of software products  
Agile software development

Lab #1 – String Manipulation

Lab #2 – 2D Shapes

Lab #3 – Stack Implementation

Lab #4 – FIFO Queues

Lab #5 – Sorting

Lab #6 - Trees