

# General Instructions

Hi Students,

Welcome to Competitive Programming (ECSE212P) course!

- Competitive Programming (CP) is a highly useful course that will easily get you a good placement.
- CP skills cannot be taught by one to another but can be gained only by your practice. More practice the better.
- Labs will be dedicated for problem solving and programming. Tutorials will be dedicated for sharing programming tricks & tips, discussing solutions. Tutorials are not focused to teach you data structures, algorithms and other theoretical aspects of CP which has to be self-learned by you. However, the doubts in theory can be discussed in tutorials.

## Marking and Grading

- CP is more than just a course. So, don't focus on getting grades and marks in this course, but focus should be on acquiring problem solving and programming skills. Because, we all know grades do not matter but skills do.
- Don't worry about marks, course/lab instructors will make sure that you get the marks you deserve.
- Plagiarism is a major issue in this course. Please don't copy either from your colleague or from online. Even if you copy and get good grades in this course, it doesn't really help your career. Our instructors will be strict in grading the codes using code plagiarism checking tools.

## Evaluation Policy

- Evaluation components for 100 will be divided into Lab Continuous Evaluation, Lab Examination, End Term Lab Examination. Lab exams will be conducted online in HackerRank. In general, the evaluation will be based on following factors.
  - Your continuous performance in solving lab assignments. Your submissions in LMS and their plagiarism level.
  - Participation and getting good ranks in online Coding Competitions in CodeChef/HackerRank/CodeWars or other platforms. This will be checked during tutorials/labs twice in a month.
  - Participation in internal hackathons. Participation in coding competitions or hackathons at venues outside Bennett.
  - Active coders who often share their experience/come up with new CP problems/assist their colleagues in learning during labs will be awarded bonus marks.

Good luck!

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