

Welcome to CS 128 Honors!

Today's Goals



- Introduce Ourselves
- Review Course Goals
- Review Syllabus

Who are we?





William Eustis

- Computer Engineering Dec. 2022
- Worked for: Visor, Tallo, COUNTRY Financial, NCSA, ECE Dept.
- Interests: Computer Vision, Hardware Accelerators, Teaching
- Likes to Ski

Who are we?





Neil Kaushikkar

- Computer Science May 2024
- Worked For: NASA Ames Research Center, COUNTRY Financial
- Interests: Systems Programming, CS & Education, Networking
- Instructor at Gies Disruption Lab Incubator
- Adrenaline junkie

What is this course?



As the name suggests, we're the Honors add-on for CS128.

- We follow the CS 128 course through the lens of the Rust programming language
- We are a fully student-run course, with a large focus on the course community
- We have a group based final project at the end of the course which is a chance for you to apply Rust to nearly anything you want

Who should take this course?



What is **Rust**?

- Rust is a programming language
- For six years running, Rust has taken Stack Overflow's top spot as the most loved programming language

Most people take this course because...

- Rust is a super cool programming language
- You want to learn about more topics in CS
- You want to create an interesting project (in Rust)
- You want to meet with similarly passionate classmates





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- Homeworks
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Lectures:

- Introduction to Rust
- Ownership and Borrowing
- Threads and Parallelism
- Special Topics



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Homeworks:

- Very short assignments meant to help you get practice with lecture content
- Usually 1/wk, only for first half of the semester
- Will be on PrairieLearn



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Machine Problems:

- Longer, more involved assignments that will take around 1-2 hours to complete
- Will be distributed and submitted through PrairieLearn
- Starter code will be provided for you to work locally



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Final Project:

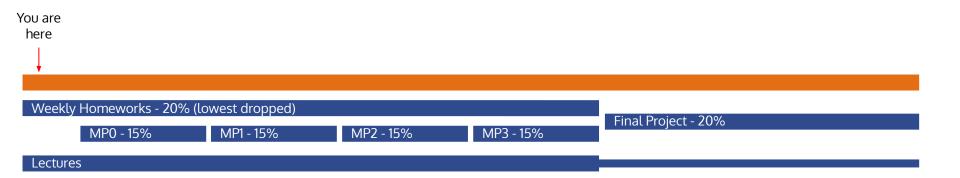
- 6 week group project
- Groups of 2-4 people
- We grade on functionality, style, codebase quality, and creativity!
- Submitted through GitHub

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Communication



- All course-related communication will take place on Discord
- We are currently finalizing the hours these will be available
 - This information will be posted in Discord

How do I sign up?



- James Scholars
 - Submit your HCLA with Professor Michael Nowak as the Instructor
 - You do not have to register for the course
- Non-James Scholars
 - Sign up for the course on Self Service.
 - o Course name: CS 199
 - o Section: 128
 - o CRN: 56371

How do I participate?



Fill out the Google Form!

Link also in description. https://forms.gle/tfDgGYbVPh8CXf8y7



Thank you!

Reminders:

extra/0 credit practice problems that are always open - mention in lecture when each are possible

add github repo with example code from lecture

add easy EC points to MPs - showcase interesting extensions during lecture

whenever we give lecture give them a chapter to follow along with

student interaction in lecture like steltzer- email students if they do well

mention common pitfalls of MPs after due date

partial credit until 1 week after 50%

emphasize early that you will get whatever you put in - lots of opportunities to do more