Fundamentals of Computer Science (FCPS) CTY Course Syllabus

Brief Schedule

Week 1

- Introduction and definition
- Logic and Gates
- Hardware Systems
- Binary number and math
- Machine/Assembly Language

Week 2

- Operating Systems
- Algorithms
- Programming Languages
- Theory of Computation
- Computer Applications
- Software Development

Week 3

- Networks
- Advanced Programming Structures
- Computer Graphics
- Digital Media
- Computer Animation
- Computer Gaming
- Artificial Intelligence
- Programming Project
- Closing session/assessment

Detailed Schedule

Day	Session	Topics and Activities
Day 1 Monday	morning	 CTY Honor Code Computer Etiquette and Professionalism Get to know teaching staff and classmates Pre-assessment Introduction to computers (storing your files on the server, shortcuts, etc.)
	afternoon	 Know and recognize computer Identify applications of computers Identify components of computers/systems Have a working definition of computer science Work on predictions of how computer science may shape their future
	evening	Identify components of various computer systems
Day 2 Tuesday	morning	 Logic and Gates States of 0's and 1's (False and True) Gate Simulation Logic Operations
	afternoon	 Real Life Application – Logic and Gates Complex Gates (XOR & NOR)
	evening	Create Logic Gate Circuits
Day 3 Wednesday	morning	 Hardware Systems Processors – CPU & GPU Address Calls Memory Allocations Units and Speeds
	afternoon	I/O DevicesExpansion SlotsAll-In-One Systems
	evening	Hardware Activity – Build a System

Day	Session	Topics and Activities
Day 4 Thursday	morning	 Binary Numbers and Math Binary Conversion Binary Addition and Subtraction
	afternoon	2's ComplementOther math functionsBinary Games
	evening	Programming - Python
Day 5 Friday	morning	 Machine/Assembly Language MIPS Computer Architecture
	afternoon	Instruction ProcessingCompilersCreate MIPS program
Sunday	evening	Battle – PC vs. Mac
Day 6 Monday	morning	 Operating Systems Files and Folders Packaged Software PC, Mac, Unix/Linux Utilities and System Management System protection Activity – Design an OS
	afternoon	AlgorithmsDifferent Types and their usesProblem Solving
	evening	Algorithms Activity
Day 7 Tuesday	morning	Programming LanguagesDefinition and AttributesFunctions
	afternoon	Focus on PythonLanguage structure
	evening	Program Project

Day	Session	Topics and Activities
Day 8 Wednesday	morning	Programming Languages (continued)Programming guides
	afternoon	HTML and InternetHyperlinks
	evening	Webpage Project
Day 9 Thursday	morning	 Theory of Computation Different Models Time vs. Space Big O
	afternoon	 Computer Application Documents Spreadsheets Databases Presentations Shortcuts and Tricks
	evening	Build a Database or Presentation
Day 10 Friday	morning	 Software Development Development Cycle Duties and Functions Layers and Platforms
	afternoon	Development Simulation
Sunday	evening	Web Quest Investigation
Day 11 Monday	morning	 Networks WAN LAN Hardware Devices Pick Speed vs. Cost Bandwidth Making a Connection Security Wireless Network Activity

Day	Session	Topics and Activities
	afternoon	 Digital Media Imaging Design Interactive
	evening	Computer Art Project
Day 12 Tuesday	morning	 Computer Graphics Hardware – Requirements and Performance Software – Design Light Effects
	afternoon	Advanced Programming StructuresFocus on PythonRecursion
	evening	Programming Project
Day 13 Wednesday	morning	 Complete Python programming assignment. Sample OpenGL with codes and programs
	afternoon	Computer GamingOpenGL and PyGame programming types
	evening	Build One ActivityComputer GraphicsPython program
Day 14 Thursday	morning	 Artificial Intelligence Elements of Agents A* Applied Application
	afternoon	Student evaluation of courseDemo of Projects
	evening	No Class
Day 15 Friday	morning	Course Highlights and ReviewCareersThe Future