

## **AP Computer Science A**

## Grade 11, AP&AL program in GZFLS

Name of the subject	AP Computer Science A, Grade 11		
Year of teaching	2021-2022		
Name of the teacher	杜博识 Dubos		
Key Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>□ The average score of students taking this course should be at least as high as the average of China AP Students.</li> <li>□ The percentage of students who get a 4 or 5 should be 1.1 times as much as the percentage of China AP Students who get a 4 or 5.</li> </ul>		
Course Description	This year-long course introduces students to computer science with fundamental topics that include problem solving, design strategies and methodologies, organization of data (data structures), approaches to processing data (algorithms), analysis of potential solutions written in the <u>Java</u> programming language, and the ethical and social implications of computing.		
Course Objective	To successfully complete this course, students should be able to:  Design, implement, and analyze solutions to problems  Use and implement commonly used algorithms  Use standard data structures  Develop and select appropriate algorithms and data structures to solve new problems  Write solutions fluently in an object-oriented paradigm  Write, run, test, and debug solutions in the Java programming language, utilizing standard Java library classes and interfaces from the AP Java subset  Read and understand programs consisting of several classes and interacting objects  Read and understand a description of the design and development process leading to such a program  Understand the ethical and social implications of computer use		
Prerequisite	Basic algebra: algebraic expressions, number theory (divisibility, greatest common divisor lowest common multiple), ratio and proportion, functions (linear, quadratic, exponential logarithmic and trigonometric).  NO prior programming experience required.		
Assessment Criteria	<ul> <li>□ The general weights assigned to the final grade will include class participation (20%), homework and quizzes (30%), midterm examination (20%), and final exam/project (30%).</li> <li>□ There are 14 problem sets containing multiple-choice questions, free-response questions and also online-judge programming questions. The questions require students to demonstrate their ability to solve problems, including their ability to design, write and analyze programs and subprograms.</li> <li>□ The midterm and final exam are given over a 90 or 120-minute period, with AP-style multiple-choice and free-response questions. The exams test proficiency in a wide variety of topics and require the student to demonstrate the ability to solve problems involving extended reasoning.</li> <li>□ The final project after the AP exam requires students to study in groups on selected</li> </ul>		

		topics, submit and present a final report to the instructor and students.
Resources		Lecture notes and problem sets based on past AP exams
		Anderson, J. and H. J. Franceschi (2018) Java Illuminated (5 <sup>th</sup> ed.). Jones & Bartlett
		Learning
		Downey, A. B., & Mayfield, C. (2019). <i>Think Java</i> (2 <sup>nd</sup> ed.). OReilly Media.
		Roselyn Teukolsky 著.(2019).Barron's AP 计算机科学.世界图书出版公司.
		Liang, Y. D. (2015). Introduction to Java programming (10th ed.). Boston: Pearson.
		Sedgewick, R., & Wayne, K. (2017). Computer science: An interdisciplinary approach.
		Boston: Addison-Wesley.
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## AP Exam Information

Section	Question Type	Number of Questions	Exam Weighting	Timing
I	Multiple-choice questions	40	50%	90 minutes
II	Free-response questions	4		90 minutes
	Question 1: Methods and Control Structures (9 points)		12.5%	
	Question 2: Class (9 points)		12.5%	
	Question 3: Array/ArrayList (9 points)			
	Question 4: 2D Array (9 points)	12.5%		

Units	Exam Weighting
Unit 1: Primitive Types	2.5-5%
Unit 2: Using Objects	5-7.5%
Unit 3: Boolean Expressions and if Statements	15-17.5%
Unit 4: Iteration	17.5-22.5%
Unit 5: Writing Classes	5-7.5%
Unit 6: Array	10-15%
Unit 7: ArrayList	2.5-7.5%
Unit 8: 2D Array	7.5-10%
Unit 9: Inheritance	5-10%
Unit 10: Recursion	5-7.5%

Accuracy	AP CS A Score	2019 World	2021 World
Around 80%	5	27%	25%
Around 60%	4	22%	22%
Around40%	3	21%	20%
Around 30%	2	12%	12%

Topic Outline and Schedule		Refer to the detailed table below
Month Week		Content of study and homework(Topics and subtopics)
1st semester		
Sept. 2021	Week 1	Unit 3 & Unit 1
	Date: 1-4	Variables and Data types
		Expressions and Assignment statements
		Compound Assignment Operators
		Casting and Range of Variables
		Boolean Expressions
		String Objects: concatenation, Literals and more (Unit 2)
Sept. 2021	Week 2	<u>Unit 3 &amp; 1</u>
	Date: 5-11	If statements and Control flow
		If-else statements
		Else if statements
		Compound Boolean Expressions
Sept. 2021	Week 3	<u>Unit 3 &amp; 1</u>
	Date: 12-18	Equivalent Boolean Expressions
Sept. 2021	Week 4	Unit 4 Iterations
	Date: 19-25	While loops
		For loops
		Nested iteration
Sept. 2021	Week 5	Unit 4 Iteration & 6 Array
	Date: 26-2	Array creation and Access
		Traversing arrays
		Enhanced for loop
Oct. 2021	Week 6	National Day
	Date: 3-9	
Oct. 2021	Week 7	Unit 4 Iteration & 6 Array
	Date: 10-16	Developing algorithms using Arrays
Oct. 2021	Week 8	Unit 6 Array
	Date: 17-23	String
		Developing algorithms using Strings
Oct. 2021	Week 9	Unit 6 Array
	Date: 24-30	Developing algorithms using Strings
Nov. 2021	Week 10	Midterm Review
	Date: 31-6	
Nov. 2021	Week 11	Mid term exam
	Date: 7-13	
Nov. 2021	Week 12	Unit 8 2D Array
	Date: 14-20	2D Arrays
		Traversing 2D Arrays
Nov. 2021	Week 13	Unit 8 2D Array
	Date: 21-27	Review of Unit 6 & 8
Nov. 2021	Week 14	Unit 7 ArrayList

	Date: 28-4	ArrayList		
		ArrayList methods		
		Traversing ArrayLists		
		Developing algorithms using ArrayLists		
Dec. 2021	Week 15	Unit 7 ArrayList		
	Date: 5-11	Searching and sorting		
Dec. 2021	Week 16	Unit 2 Objects		
	Date: 12-18	Objects: Instances of Classes		
		Creating and Storing Objects		
		Instantiation		
		Calling a Void method		
		Calling a Void method with parameters		
Dec. 2021	Week 17	Unit 2 Objects		
	Date: 19-25	Calling a non-void method		
		String methods		
		Wrapper class: Integer and Double		
		Using the Math class		
Dec. 2021	Week 18	<u>Unit 5 Classes</u>		
	Date: 26-1	Constructors		
		Accessor methods		
		Mutator methods		
		Writing methods		
Jan. 2022	Week 19	Unit 5 Classes		
	Date: 2-8	Static variables and methods		
		Scope and Access		
		This keyword		
		Ethical and Social Implications of Computer Systems		
Jan. 2022	Week 20	Final Review		
	Date: 9-15			
Jan. 2022	Week 21	Final exam		
	Date: 16-21			
		Winter Holiday		
2nd semester	T.,,	To be a to b		
Feb. 2022	Week 1	Unit 9 Inheritance		
	Date: 13-19	Creating superclasses and subclasses		
		Writing constructors for subclasses		
		Overriding methods		
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Feb. 2022	Week 2	Unit 9 Inheritance		
	Date: 20-26	Creating References using inheritance hierarchies		
		Polymorphism  Object superclass		
		Object superclass		
Mar 2022	Wook 2	Comparing Objects (Unit 3)		
Mar. 2022	Week 3	Unit 10 Recursion		
	Date: 27-5	Recursion		

Mar. 2022	Week 4	Unit 10 Recursion
	Date: 6-12	Recursive searching and sorting
Mar. 2022	Week 5	Mock exams
	Date: 13-19	
Mar. 2022	Week 6	Mock exams
	Date: 20-26	
Mar. 2022	Week 7	Mock exams
	Date: 27-2	
Apr. 2022	Week 8	Mock exams
	Date: 3-9	
Apr. 2022	Week 9	Mock exams
	Date: 10-16	
Apr. 2022	Week 10	Midterm review
	Date: 17-23	
Apr. 2022	Week 11	Midterm exam
	Date: 24-30	
May 2022	Week 12	Labor Day
	Date: 1-7	
May 2022	Week 13	AP exams
	Date: 8-14	
May 2022	Week 14	AP exams
	Date: 15-21	
May 2022	Week 15	Details to be determined
	Date: 22-28	
May 2022	Week 16	Details to be determined
	Date: 29-4	
June 2022	Week 17	Details to be determined
	Date: 5-11	
June 2022	Week 18	Details to be determined
	Date: 12-18	
June 2022	Week 18	Details to be determined
	Date: 19-25	
June 2022	Week 19	Details to be determined
	Date: 26-2	
July 2022	Week 20	Final exam
	Date: 3-9	
		Summer Holiday

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