**COP2806C Icebreaker Discussion**

There is no Canvas submission for this discussion; we will be using GitHub exclusively.

Here are some useful references if you are not familiar with GitHub:

To fork a repo:

[https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/quickstart/fork-a-repo](https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/quickstart/fork-a-repo%20)

To create a pull request:

[https://docs.github.com/en/pull-requests/collaborating-with-pull-requests/proposing-changes-to-your-work-with-pull-requests/creating-a-pull-request](https://docs.github.com/en/pull-requests/collaborating-with-pull-requests/proposing-changes-to-your-work-with-pull-requests/creating-a-pull-request%20)

Editing a markdown file:

<https://www.markdownguide.org/basic-syntax/>

For this discussion you will need to do the following:

1. Fork the GitHub repository (repo) containing this assignment, found here:

[https://github.com/ProfSingletary/COP2806C-IceBreaker-Spring23.git](https://github.com/ProfSingletary/COP2806C-IceBreaker-Spring23.git%20)

2. Edit the Word document (this file): append the content specified in the Discussion Prompt provided below to the end of the document; do not delete existing content.

3. Edit the README.md (md = markdown) file, go to the bottom of the file and add a new line containing the following (use my entry as a template for your addition):

* start with a dash and space (this creates a bullet)
* add today's date and your name
* end the line with 2 spaces (this renders as a line break)

4. Save, commit, and push the modified Word document and README.md file to your local repo.

5. Submit a pull request to your instructor to merge the changes with their main branch. Your information will be shared in the public repo with the class after the changes are merged.

**Discussion Prompt:**

* (Add a blank line to the Word document first)
* Add a line with today's date and your name
* Provide a paragraph with your place of birth (or wherever you call "home"), followed by any interests, hobbies, or other details about yourself that you would like to share. Here is my entry as an example:

5/5/2023 David Singletary  
Hello everyone, I am your instructor for this course. I am originally from Orlando, FL, but I have also lived in Colorado, California, and the UK. I have been in Jacksonville for over 20 years now.  
I am a retired software engineer who loves books, movies, and television shows (especially classic horror/scifi). I love technology and coding, my favorite languages are Java and C++ but I also teach R and Python in our Data Science program.

5/8/2023 Steven Gsell

Hello! I’m Steven Gsell. I was born in Clear Water Florida but moved to Jacksonville as a wee lad (age 4) and have lived here ever since. I hope to be able to travel around the US and find a place to call home with my wife. I am currently in my last semester for my A.S in Computer Information Technology and hope to further my education to a B.S. I have taught myself a good bit with JavaScript, HTML, CSS, React, and MongoDB. I am really enjoying Java and hope to gain that much more knowledge for my toolbelt. I like 3D printing, low voltage tinkering, web design/development, gaming, movies, whittling, crocheting (I really just like to make stuff, physical, digital, or both!).

5/9/2023 Elena Phillips

Hi y’all! I’m Elena, and my favorite thing about coding is getting to implement creative ideas. Albeit, I’m not there yet, but I can feel the growth every day and it makes me so excited. I spent my week off between Spring and Summer semester bottle feeding a baby kitten and eagerly anticipating Tears of the Kingdom (I am on the edge of my seat). I’ll admit that I’m not the most knowledgeable in the class, but I hope to be among the most dedicated to the learning process. P. Singletary, are you ready for Dune 2? Steven, I gotta see your crochet creations- I like to tinker around, too. Have you ever played with circuit-bending kid’s toys? It can be pretty fun; my husband and I used to circuit-bend toys and add them to his music performances.

5/10/2023 William Geesey

Hello everyone! I’m Will and I was bron in Ypsilanti, MI but I now call St. Augustine, FL home. I am retired (Navy) and have been a fulltime student since I retired. My hobbies include gaming, getting frustrated at coding (kidding, I like the challenge), movies and wrestling with my son. Prior to Java 1 and now this course, my coding experience was limited to very basic Java and Python (used in Intro to Programming and Software Defined Networking) as well as some .xml and .lua editing that coincides with the gaming. I am looking forward to learning everything I can, and eventually applying it to a career in IT.

5/10/2023 William Money

Hello class! My name is William Money and I grew up in Fernandina Beach, but I now live in Murray Hill with my wife and daughter. I love technology, playing music, and sailing! I am interning this summer under Professor Singletary (along with a few other talented individuals) and hope to start a career as a computer programmer as soon as possible. I will graduate with my AS focusing on Java this fall and plan on starting my BAS in application development in the spring of 2024.

5/11/2023 Giancarlo Fruzzetti

Hi, my name is Giancarlo Fruzzetti and I live in Jacksonville Beach. I teach calculus, some basic robotics classes and an introductory Python programming class at a high school in St. Augustine. It keeps me very busy, so I’m usually pretty tired by the end of the day. I took this 3rd course since I had already taken the first 2 classes ☺ My plan is to offer AP Java at my school year after next, so I thought I had better get a good grasp of the language first, since I find it somewhat challenging at times. In my spare time I like to club race and autocross my Fiat 500 Abarth, and I have a small collection of vintage cars. I like to build model cars as well and have a collection of European diecast toys, mostly dating to the 1960s and 1970s. The interesting thing about programming to me is that I learn something new with every project, and every project is like a new puzzle to solve based on what you know and what you can research to help you.