CS 118 Academic Integrity and Honesty Agreement
UCLA Computer Science Department

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At http://www.studentgroups.ucla.edu/dos/students/integrity, the Office of the Dean of Students presents University policy on academic integrity, with special attention to cheating, plagiarism, and student discipline. We further elaborate on the concrete requirements on homeworks, programming assignments and quizzes.

Plagiarism Considerations: You may always discuss any problem with the instructor or the teaching assistants, without attribution. You are expected to subscribe to the highest standards of academic honesty. This means that every idea that is not your own must be explicitly credited to its author. Failure to do this constitutes plagiarism. Plagiarism includes using ideas from any other students or individuals, or any sources other than the text, the instructor, or the teaching assistant, without crediting these sources by name. Plagiarism will not be tolerated in this class. Any student suspected of plagiarism will be reported to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action, which may result in suspension or dismissal from the University.

Homework assignments and Course projects: You are encouraged to work on your own in this class. If you get stuck, you may discuss the problem with other students, PROVIDED THAT YOU SUBMIT THEIR NAMES ALONG WITH YOUR ASSIGNMENT. All solutions must be written up independently, however. This means that you should never see another student's homework solution or project code before submitting your own. YOU MAY NOT USE OLD SOLUTION SETS FROM THIS CLASS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.   You are also not allowed to publish, share, or sell any parts of the homework/midterm/finals with and without answers.

You are encouraged to host your code in private repositories on GitHub, GitLab, or other places that provide private shared hosting for git repositories. At the same time, you are PROHIBITED to make your code public during the class or any time after the class.

Among students, we understand that high-level discussions about approaches to a problem have educational value and are acceptable. So where do we draw the line? We'll decide each case on its merits, but here are some high categorizations:

Acceptable:
- Clarifying requirements of the project
- Discussing algorithms for solving a problem, perhaps accompanied by pictures, without writing any code
- Helping someone find a minor problem with their code, provided that offering such assistance doesn't require examining more than a few lines of code and is properly attributed in the accompanied README.md file
- Turning in someone's work without crediting the author of that work, if the source of that work is the course text or if that work was produced at or *after* the start of this quarter by the CS118 instructor or a CS118 TA

Unacceptable
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- Turning in any portion of someone's work without crediting the author of that work, if the source of that work is *not* the course text and if that work was either *not* produced by the CS 118 instructor or a CS118 TA or was produced *before* the start of this quarter
- Using project solutions from earlier offerings of this or any other class, except samples posted or linked on the class webpage.
- Soliciting help from an online source where not all potential respondents are subject to the UCLA Student Conduct Code
- Receiving from another person (other than the CS118 instructor or a CS118 TA) a code fragment that solves any portion of a programming assignment
- Writing for or with another student a code fragment that solves any portion of a programming assignment, except when working with that student in a team on the same project.
- Helping the same person find problems with their code more than a few times for a particular assignment

Be especially careful about giving a copy of your work to a friend who "just wants to look at it to get some ideas." Frequently, that friend ends up panicking and simply copies your work, thus betraying you and putting you through the hassle of an academic discipline hearing. Both you and your friend would be subject to plagiarism penalties, regardless of who copied from whom.

Quizzes: You are required to work on your own on all quizzes. You cannot work with others on the quizzes! Moreover, unless explicitly stated as "open book, open notes," you cannot do Internet search for answers or hints. If you are unclear about certain problems, you can email the TAs and me for clarification. You are also required to submit your work online by the deadline.

You must abide by this policy in addition to those expressed in the UCLA Student Conduct Code. Any student suspected of academic dishonesty or misconduct will be reported to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action. A typical penalty for a first plagiarism offense is suspension for one or more quarters. A second offense usually results in dismissal from the University of California.

TO EARN ANY POINTS ON YOUR CS118 COURSEWORK, YOU MUST SIGN AND SUBMIT THIS AGREEMENT TO THE CLASS GRADESCOPE. **THIS IS A SERIOUS DOCUMENT; DO NOT SIGN IT WITHOUT READING IT.**

I, the undersigned CS118 student, have read the Academic Integrity and Honesty agreement. I understand it and agree to abide by the policy it expresses.

Name (please print) _____ Jason Lai _____

Student ID _____ 204995126 _____

Signature _____ *[signature]* _____

Date _____ 04/01/2020 _____