

# MOBILE COMPUTING

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# WHAT IS THIS COURSE ABOUT?

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- Making apps using Java and SQL (in conjunction with Database Fundamentals)
- Why?
  - To learn to program in Java
  - We use Android because it's more fun
    - Funner programs make you program more
  - Programming more makes you good at programming

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- Why?
  - To show off
  - To solve real problems

# TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

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- This course is inspired by the SOLE methodology
- You need four things to learn
  - Access to content
  - Concrete Goals
  - Friends
  - Positive Feedback

# TOPICS WE COVER

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- Java
  - Pretty similar to C++, so we go fast
  - Compilation vs Interpretation
  - Object Orientation
- UI Design and Implementation
- Database integration
- Web Services
  - Security
  - Interacting with Databases



# WHAT I NEED FROM YOU

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- This course is about having fun programming
- So, we'll have fun programming
- Regular feedback in terms of what works and what doesn't work
- Discord comments and suggestions
- Do this the easy way. Good computer scientists are lazy.

# WHAT NEXT?

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- Install some things!
- <https://courses.ms.wits.ac.za/software>
  - Android Studio (With optional offline pack)
  - Eclipse
  - Java
  - XAMPP (If you're on windows)
  - Android Alternative

# COURSE STRUCTURE

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- Lectures every Friday
- Labs on Wednesday and Thursday
- Tutorials and labs will be mixed, and will be concurrent with Database Fundamentals
- Mark breakdown
  - Labs – 15%
  - Assignment – 15%
  - Class Test – 20%
  - Exam – 50%