

So far in comp sci it has been very fun, the material we learn while difficult at times is very interesting and the friends I made in comp 1005 and comp 1006 are some of the closest friends I have now.

Working with friends has been really enjoyable, even when we're staying up late to finish, but usually it's very relaxed and we all hang out. This is something unique to computer science in my opinion because comp sci is very directed to problem solving and teamwork, which is not something I see in my other courses. Like I said earlier most of my friends come from the comp sci courses which is a reason I like comp.

As for the material learning to code with java has made me more compatible with other programmers when we make projects and such and allows me to understand different code that I wouldn't have been able to before. Learning object oriented programming has been very useful because most people I program with at hackathons program in an object-oriented way, it is very efficient, diverse and allows me to accomplish things I couldn't with python. And now looking back at assignments from comp 1005 I'm able to find new ways to accomplish the same goal.

In the future I may not be needing to use java at all, but learning java will help me learn other more modern/ useful object-oriented programming languages. I'm not sure which stream I want to go in, but I do know I want to do cyber security (don't really want to take the cyber security stream because of taboo) and I know I don't really want to go the AI route. Right now, I'm leaning towards the web dev/ software Eng or general degree and get some certifications. While this is a career path I still find interests in all sorts of other computer science-y stuff, like AI or systems management, automating things, etc. A further understanding of computer science and being around like-minded people has really expanded my capabilities when it comes to self-learning. And learning java and making connections in comp 1006 has and will continue to help me on my career path, already I've made some interesting projects with people I've met and was able to work with them thanks to java being a mutually known syntax.