

SCPD Information

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Welcome to CS 106A! We are happy to have you in the course this quarter. Since SCPD students are off-campus, there are several aspects of CS 106A that are slightly different for SCPD students than for on-campus students, as described below.

Section

Because SCPD students are off-campus, you are not required to sign up for or attend a weekly discussion section. Instead, you should register at the SCPD signup link listed in the “Sections” dropdown on the course website. This will allow us to assign you a *grader* for your assignments. Because you are not attending section, your grades for other aspects of the course will be weighted slightly higher to compensate. A recording of a section will also be made available each week alongside the provided lecture videos. If you are in the area and choose to enroll in and attend a weekly section, however, you may do so.

Assignments

The process for working on and submitting assignments is identical for both regular and SCPD students. However, because SCPD students are off-campus, you are not required to attend “Interactive Grading” sessions; instead, you will be assigned a *grader* who will give you assignment feedback only electronically via <https://paperless.stanford.edu>, just as for on-campus students. Your grader will email you when feedback is available. If you choose to enroll in an on-campus section, you will have IGs as normal.

Office Hours and LaIR

We will offer SCPD-specific office hours at scheduled times each week in the evening via Google Hangout; more details on these will be added to the sidebar of the course homepage during the first week. You are also welcome to come to campus to take advantage of in-person office hours or LaIR hours.

Additionally, please feel free to email the grader you will be assigned for any questions you may have about assignments, logistics, etc.; they are your primary point of contact for the course.

Exams

Exams are administered by your registered **SCPD exam monitor**; please see <https://scpd.stanford.edu/programs/courses/graduate-courses/exam-monitor-information>

for more information about exam monitors. You will have a **24 hour window from the start of the on-campus exam in which to complete the exam using the allotted exam**

time (2 hours for the midterm exam, 3 hours for the final exam). In other words, you can take the midterm exam during any 2-hour time slot between 7PM PST on July 24 and 7PM PST on July 25. You can take the final exam during any 3-hour time slot between 12:15PM PST on August 18 and 12:15PM PST on August 19.

You may also take exams at the on-campus seatings; if you'd like to do this, **please email the Head TA** for each exam to let us know you will be taking the exam on campus. Note that, per SCPD guidelines, you **still need a registered exam monitor** even if you will be taking the exam on campus.

After they are graded, exams will be returned to you electronically.

Exam Review

We will be holding a review prior to each exam to go over relevant material and practice problems. The midterm review session will take place outside of class, and we will provide detailed slides and also do our best to provide a recording if possible. The final two lectures in the course will be reserved for final exam review.