

## Guidelines for CPSC 610 Project Proposals (Due Feb 28, 2018)

- Project proposals should be short. Certainly no more than five pages, and most can probably be done in two or three.
- The most important thing to include in your proposal is a precise statement of your goal. What question are you trying to answer, or what problem is the program you're implementing going to solve for users?
- If yours is an implementation project, include the following information (along with "what problem does this solve for users?"):
  - What software "solutions" currently exist for this problem, and why are they inadequate?
  - What tools will you use to build your solution, and which (if any) existing partial solutions will you build upon?
  - How will you test your solution?
  - What are the legal implications of your proposed solution? For example, why does it comply with existing law, or, alternatively, what are the legal barriers to its adoption?
- If you are planning to write a paper, please include the following information (along with "what question are you trying to answer"):
  - Provide an annotated bibliography of existing books or articles on this topic.
  - Explain why this is a "topic in computer science and law," *i.e.*, what is the legal challenge, what is the technical challenge, and what is the non-empty intersection of the two?
  - If possible, preview why the existing literature does not fully resolve the CS+Law problem that you plan to write about.