

Changes to the course due to alternative delivery

Spring break is extended through March 22. Starting March 23, all academic instruction will take place via alternative methods.

1. How lectures will be affected

The slides will be available at myCourses at the beginning of every week (Monday morning). These slides will contain notes that are intended to help you understand the material. The equivalent to me lecturing in class will be you reading and understanding these slides. If there are several questions regarding a topic, I may provide additional resources to help you, including open chat sessions.

I will provide code examples related to each topic as well. Some of these examples will be explained in the slides. You are recommended to analyze and debug those programs to have a better understanding of the topics.

Along with the slides, I will make an announcement on myCourses describing the work plan for every week.

2. How homeworks will be affected

The number of total homework assignments has been reduced to 10. The amount of time you have to work on each assignment has been increased from 7 to 10 days. The rest of the rules about the assignments described in the syllabus document remain unaltered.

Questions about the homework assignments will be handled only during office hours (see section 3) and Mondays from 11 – 1pm EST. You must provide all your questions in a single email addressed to the instructor (mjcvcs@rit.edu). The subject must be “CSCI-605 - Questions for Homework i”, where i = 8, 9 or 10. Only the first email received will be processed for each student and each day (Mo, Tu and Th), and you will receive an ACK. Emails not following these instructions or subsequent emails will be ignored. You may or may not receive an individual reply to your email. In case you do not receive an individual reply, your questions will be answered in a discussion topic at MyCourses. You must be proactive and thorough in reading announcements and discussion topics; you should check myCourses on a daily basis.

You must be patient as emails will be prioritized and processed depending on urgency and whether or not it applies to (many) other students. Now more than ever, you should start working on assignments from day one.

3. How grading sessions will be affected

Grading sessions are cancelled. Graders will test and evaluate your submission providing feedback via myCourses. Graders may email your team if he/she has any question or need some clarification about your solution. You must reply with the required information in 48 hours.

Grade appeal procedure will remain unaltered. See instructions in the Syllabus.pdf document.

4. How office hours will be affected

Office hours are cancelled. Questions about the topics covered in the slides will be handled only during these hours: Tu 3.30-4:45pm and Th 3.30-4.45pm EST. You must provide all your questions in a single email addressed to the instructor (mjcvcs@rit.edu). Only the first email received will be processed for each student and each day (Tu and Th), and you will receive an ACK. You may or may not receive an individual reply to your email. In case you do not receive an individual reply, your questions will be answered in a discussion topic. You must be proactive and thorough in reading discussion topics; you should check myCourses on a daily basis.

5. How exam 2 will be affected

Exam 2 has been postponed to April 2nd, 3.30 – 4.45 pm EST using myCourses. This exam will be similar to exam 1 (short answers, code analysis, short code writing).

6. How the final exam will be affected

The final exam will be held on May 5th, 1:30 – 4pm EST using myCourses. The final will be similar to exam 1 and exam2.