

Department of Computer Science COMP2421 (Second Semester – Spring 2022/2023) Project#4 Due Date: 6 July 2023 (before midnight-by 23:59)

In this project, you will implement Dijkstra's and Breadth First Search (BFS) algorithms to find the shortest path between two cities.

You should read the data from the given file *cities.txt* and then construct the shortest path between a given city (input from the user) and a destination city (input from the user). You should print the full path using both algorithms and the total distance for Dijkstra's algorithm.

The menu should include the following information:

- 1. Load cities: loads the file and construct the graph
- **2**. Enter source: read the source city
- 3. Enter destination: print the full route of the shortest path including the distance between each two cities and the total shortest cost for both algorithms (Dijkstra and BFS)
- 4. Exit: prints the information of step 3 to a file called shortest_distance.txt and exits the program

Notes and submission instructions:

- 1. **This is individual work**. It should represent your own efforts. It is fine to discuss your work and to ask your colleagues, but you are not allowed to copy/paste the work of others or give your work to anyone else. You are not allowed to post/copy from other websites and/or social media and this will be considered as cheating.
- 2. Any **plagiarized** code will not be marked.
- 3. **Document format**. Please submit <u>only</u> the code file (**c** file) containing the code of your project. Please rename it as follows: "P4_YourStudentID_FirstNameLastName_SectionNo.c".
- 4. **Input/output file name**. Make sure that the input/output file names are the same as in the specifications.
- 5. Include your full name, student ID, and section number in the beginning of your file.
- 6. Please do not compress the file, only the C-file is needed.
- 7. Files not following the naming convention in point 3 will not be marked.