

Course Logistics

Course Overview

Here are the parts of the course:

- Video lectures, very roughly 1–2 hours a week, including doing the in-video quizzes. The quizzes are not part of the marking scheme, but will help cement your learning. Some students have reported that it is helpful to use IDLE (the program we use to write Python programs) while the lectures progress, typing in the Python code that we show.
- Seven weekly exercises. These are intended to have you practice the material introduced in the lectures, and will usually involve some thought questions and some basic programming exercises.
- Three biweekly assignments. In these, you will write larger programs than in the weekly exercises, and their content will integrate all the material seen so far. Expect to spend quite a bit more time on the assignments than on the exercises, and in particular, try to read each handout as soon as you can after it is posted.
- A final exam. This will be comprehensive.

You need to score 70% or higher on the coursework in order to earn a certificate.

Exercise and Assignment Submission

Exercises and assignments are graded when you submit them. You can submit each exercise up to 5 times and we will use the highest grade from all of your submissions. You can submit each assignment once every hour, and you can submit as many times as you like up until the due time. Again, we will use the highest grade from all of your submissions.

Due Dates and Weights

Here is the coursework, weights, and due dates. We have scheduled these items in this way in order for you to work according to your own schedule.

All due times are 1 minute before noon, Toronto time.

Because a fraction of the tens of thousands of people taking this course will have issues regarding the due dates, you can submit up to a week after each due date with no penalty. (Please keep in mind that, if you work after the listed deadline, you may not get timely help on it: questions related to work that is still due will have priority.)

Work	Weight	Due
Exercise 1	5%	Monday 26 August 11:59 am
Exercise 2	5%	Monday 2 September 11:59 am
Assignment 1	10%	Monday 2 September 11:59 am
Exercise 3	5%	Monday 9 September 11:59 am
Exercise 4	5%	Monday 16 September 11:59 am
Assignment 2	15%	Monday 16 September 11:59 am

Exercise 5	5%	Monday 23 September 11:59 am
Exercise 6	5%	Monday 30 September 11:59 am
Assignment 3	15%	Monday 30 September 11:59 am
Exercise 7	5%	Monday 7 October 11:59 am
Final Exam	25%	Monday 7 October 11:59 am

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