

Welcome to Qubit by Qubit's Introduction to Quantum Computing!

Because you are in the unique position of joining halfway into the class, here is an important checklist to help you fully onboard and understand the course material, structure, and resources. **Please review this carefully.**

1. **Review our course reference information (found in our [New Student Google Drive](#)):**
 - a. **Student Handbook:** This handbook contains information about the course, the course syllabus, our expectations for students, and resources. Please review this handbook before contacting program staff with questions!
 - b. **Student Code of Conduct:** At Team QxQ, we are dedicated to fostering a supportive and inclusive online learning community. It is imperative that you read and understand our expectations as you navigate this online learning experience.
2. **Review Semester 1 content:** Success in Semester 2 of this course requires understanding of the math, programming, and physics concepts covered in Semester 1. You can find Semester 1 lecture topics and calendar on page 5 of our [student handbook](#), and Semester 1 lecture and lab recordings in the New Student Google Drive under [“Semester 1 Materials.”](#)
3. **Register for Lecture:** Live lecture occurs **every Sunday from 2-4PM EST**. We broadcast our lectures through Zoom. While we strongly encourage it, you are not required to attend the lecture live. You can watch the recording posted on Canvas later, especially if the time doesn't work well with your time zone. **The first lecture of the semester is January 10, 2021.** Please register for lecture here: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PPtnSLfaRWGExA4bOKOxSg
4. **Familiarize yourself with our tech tools:** We use two online platforms to encourage communication between students, instructors, and staff.
 - a. **Canvas** is our online class portal in which we will post course announcements and lecture slides and where you will submit course assignments.
 - b. **Piazza** will be used for questions about homework and lecture material. It will be monitored by Teaching Assistants.

More information about course technology can be found in our [technology guide](#).
You will receive enrollment information for course technology in January.

5. **Familiarize yourself with time zones and time changes:** All of our lectures, labs, and optional programming are scheduled in Eastern Time Zone. As we are a global

course, we encourage you to familiarize yourself with the difference between ET and your local time. We recommend this time zone converter:

<https://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/>

- a. Please remember that the United States observes Daylight Saving Time, and we will have a time change in March 2021. Currently, we are in UTC-5. On March 14th, 2021, we will be moving to UTC-4. If your region does not change time, your lab will begin an hour earlier. So, if a lab occurred at 10AM your local time, it will occur at 9AM local time after the change. We will not be allowing lab changes after the semester starts, so please take this time change into consideration when selecting a lab section.

Still have questions? Please first review the Student Handbook or the [FAQ document](#). If your question still has not been answered, please email us at student@qubitbyqubit.org.