# **Computer Science 1: Java Programming**

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## Program 8: First GUI

Throughout the semester, we have been working on command line applications. While the command line can be a powerful form of interacting with the computer, most modern applications have a graphical user interface, or GUI. This program will give you some initial experience making GUI applications with Swing.

### Things you will learn

- How to set up a simple GUI based on JFrame
- Setting up listeners and responding to events

#### **Directions**

- 1. Write an original GUI application in Java using Swing. The program can be a simple game, or an application that demonstrates some of the capabilities of Swing, for example.
- 2. The application must do something non-trivial that is controlled by GUI components such as buttons, text boxes, drop-down boxes, etc. For example, it might draw different things, or change colors, based on button presses.
- 3. The GUI elements should be layed out reasonably using layout managers.
- 4. At least one element in your GUI program besides the title bar must include your name.
- 5. As always, make sure the proper block comment is at the top of your main file with your name, and use proper indentation and other code style guidelines.
- 6. Once your program is working, pass it off directly to the instructor or TA. Also, turn in your code to D2L.

## Suggestions

- Get the skeleton of your GUI working first. First get the buttons drawing properly, then go on to listen to and respond to events.
- Initially, hook up the event listeners so that they print something to the console when a button is pressed. That way you can know that your code is getting events.
- If your program will draw shapes, make a subclass of JPanel called "DrawPanel" or something like that to draw the objects and your name. Override the "paintComponent" method of this class.

# Point Breakdown (20 points total)

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Compiles and runs on command line	Required for a non-zero score
Proper indentation, spacing, header comment	2 pts
Shows your name on a GUI element	3 pts
Quits when you press the x on the window	3 pts
Has reasonable layout	2 pts
Multiple elements controlled by GUI components	10 pts