

themeatbirds

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Problems with SPIRE

- Geared towards students with already planned schedules
 - Unintuitive course selection
 - No easy way to explore
 - Doesn't take into account what a student requires
- Bad at organizing upcoming classes
 - Only represents times as codes
 - Difficult to search for classes and sessions
 - Does not support student-driven feedback



Class Search Criteria

Course Subject

Course Number is exactly [What is a Course Number?](#)

Course Career ☒ Show Open Classes Only

Session [What is a Session?](#)

Class Number (example: 12345) [What is a Class Number?](#)

Meeting Time between and (example: 1:00PM)

Day of Week include only these days

☐ Mon ☐ Tues ☐ Wed ☐ Thurs ☐ Fri ☐ Sat ☐ Sun

Instructor Last Name begins with

Course Keyword (examples: statistics, Native American)

Course Component

Gen Ed Category

Section 01AA-DIS(12842)		Status ●
Session	University	
Days & Times	Room	Instructor
Mo 11:15AM - 12:05PM	Hasbrouck Lab Add room 126	Staff

▼ COMPSCI 383 Artificial Intelligence

Section 01-LEC(12843)		Status ● Un
Session	University	
Days & Times	Room	Instructor
MoWe 4:00PM - 5:15PM	Integ. Learning Center S131	Matthew Rattiga

▼ COMPSCI 396 Independent Study

Section 01-IND(12844)		Status ● Un
Session	University	
Days & Times	Room	Instructor
TBA	TBA	Staff

▼ COMPSCI 396ISH Honors Independent Study in

COMPSCI 383 - Artificial Intelligence

Class Preferences

COMPSCI 383-01 Lecture  Open Wait List ☐ Wait list if class is full

Session *University

Permission Nbr

Carrier Undergraduate

Grading Undergraduate Letter Grad

Enrollment Information

Units 3.00

- Open to Senior and Junior Computer Science majors only.
- Prerequisites: A grade of C or better in COMPSCI 220 (or 230) and COMPSCI 240 (or STATISC 515)
- Team-Based Learning

CANCEL

NEXT

Section	Component	Days & Times	Room	Instructor	Start/End Date
01	Lecture	MoWe 4:00PM - 5:15PM	Integ. Learning Center S131	Matthew Rattigan	01/22/2019 - 05/01/2019

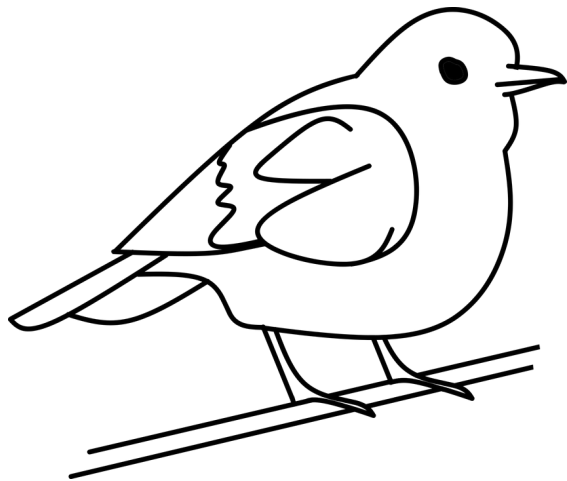
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Class Notes

STUDENTS NEEDING SPECIAL PERMISSION MUST REQUEST OVERRIDES VIA THE ON-LINE FORM: <https://www.cics.umass.edu/overrides>.

Austra

Austra is **Better!**



- Intuitive UI alleviates scheduling issues
 - Lets students see how class selections conflict
 - Easy dropping and swapping
- Supports student-driven feedback
 - Built-in course and instructor rating system
 - User-generated comments
- Has a great name! Sam had australorp hens for a while...

The Meat of the Bird: **Calendar View**

- With Austra, it is easy and efficient to find what you are looking for
 - Search by class number, type or teacher.
- Add as many classes as you want, then cut down your schedule to have no conflicts. Stop dealing with managing a planner just to figure out which classes you should take together.

Dec 3 – 7, 2018					today	<	>
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri		
8am		8:00 - 9:00 Programming with Data Structures		8:00 - 9:00 Programming with Data Structures			
9am		9:00 - 10:00 Calculus I		9:00 - 10:00 Calculus I			
10am							
11am							
12pm							
1pm							
2pm	2:00 - 3:00 Reasoning About Uncertainty		2:00 - 3:00 Reasoning About Uncertainty		2:00 - 3:00 Reasoning About Uncertainty		
3pm		3:00 - 4:00 Introduction to Computation		3:00 - 4:00 Introduction to Computation			
4pm							

Birds of a Feather: **Managing Users**

- Sometimes class information changes. A new session opens up, an instructor can't teach, or a new course is opened are all problems that can be addressed by Administrators.
- Users have different privileges. Admins can easily add or remove courses, instructors, and times.
- Voting on a course or instructor can only be done by logged in users, and only once!
- We will see how voting changes rating in demo



Looking for a Golden
Goose (or hen)?

Invest in Austrā!