

# COP 2535: Data Structures, Term Project

## Step 03, Iteration 1, Implementation

### 1 Introduction

The COP 2535 Term Project will give you the opportunity to build an application using one of the data structures we will learn about. You may in fact use several. This project is not intended to be a heavy-weight project, and I don't expect you to make an extraordinary one on it. However, this could be part of your portfolio, so you could decide to make more of an effort if you choose to do so.

This project follows an iterative, incremental development model. It is *iterative* in that you will repeat the same series of steps four times through the term. It is *incremental* in that you will add to the functionality of your project during each of the four iterations. Each iteration will consist of the same four phases.

**Requirements Analysis** In this phase, you will determine the functional requirements to be implemented in this iteration. *Functional requirements* refers to what the software will actually do. This is probably the most important phase, because you cannot build anything unless you know what it is that you are building. Your deliverable will typically be one or more Use Cases, or a Functional Requirements Specification.

**Design** In this phase, you will design the software to be implemented. In some respects, this is the hardest phase. This is where you will make decisions as to *how* to implement the requirements. Your deliverable will typically be in the form of UML diagrams. We will mostly be using Activity Diagrams, which are similar to flow charts.

**Implementation** In this phase, you will implement your design in code. The deliverable is your source code.

**Testing** In this phase, you will test your implementation against the requirements. That is, you will answer the question, "Does the code do what the requirements expect?" Your deliverable will typically be a text document containing the output of the code when run.

### 2 Instructions

Implement your project. You should be able to take your UML Activity Diagram and convert it to running code. Your code should also implement all the requirements you identified in your Use Case. When we test the code, we will test it (a) for debugging, and (b) to see if it correctly implements your requirements.

### 3 Deliverable

Your deliverable consists of a *plain text* file containing your source code. That is, the file should have a `.txt` extension, and should be named something like `ProjectName.Iteration01.Yourname.txt`. I expect one file, which includes your `main()` function. I *do not* expect anything fancy. Just very simple code that fully implements your requirements. Next week, you will run your program for me.