Introduction to Programming 1



Course Description

- Introduction to Programming 1 teaches students to program using the Java programming language with the help of the Netbeans Integrated Development Environment.
- As an introduction, this course gives students:
 - an overview of the different components of the computer
 - different number systems and its conversions
 - Problem-solving strategies
- For each topic, some coding guidelines will be discussed (starting week 3)



Course Requirements

- Course Prerequisite
 - None
- Programming Tools
 - J2SE SDK Version 5.0
 - NetBeans IDE runs on the J2SE JDK 5.0 (JavaTM 2 JDK, Standard Edition)
 - consists of the Java Runtime Environment plus developers' tools for compiling, debugging, and running applications written in the JavaTM language



- Introduction to Computer Programming
 - Basic Components of a Computer: Software & Hardware
 - Overview of Computer Programming Languages
 - Program Development Life Cycle (algorithms)
 - Number Systems and Conversions
- Introduction to Java
 - Java Background
 - Java Features
 - Phases of a Java Program



- Getting to know your Programming Environment
 - My First Java Program: "Hello World!"
 - Writing programs using a text editor and console
 - Dealing with errors
 - Writing programs using NetBeans



- Programming Fundamentals
 - Dissecting my First Java Program
 - Java Comments, Statements, Identifiers, Keywords and Literals
 - Primitive data types
 - Variables
 - Operators(arithmetic, relational, logical, conditional)
 - Operator Precedence
- Getting Input from the keyboard
 - Using BufferedReader
 - Using JOptionPane



Control Structures

- Decision control structures (if, else, switch)
- Repetition control structures (while, do-while, for)
- Branching Statements (break, continue, return)

Java Arrays

- Declaring arrays
- Accessing array element
- Multidimensional arrays



Command-Line arguments

- Working with the Java Class Library
 - Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming
 - Classes and Objects
 - Methods
 - Casting, Converting and Comparing Objects



- Object-Oriented Programming
 - Defining your own classes
 - Declaring attributes (instance variables, static variables)
 - Declaring methods
 - The this reference
 - Overloading methods
 - Declaring constructors
 - The this() constructor call
 - Packages
 - Access modifiers



Inheritance

- Defining superclasses and subclasses
- The super keyword
- Overriding methods
- final methods and final classes

Polymorphism

- Abstract classes
- Interfaces



- Basic Exception Handling
 - try, catch, and finally blocks

