

# CSc 179 Lecture Notes

## 1 – Course Introduction

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# **Classroom Etiquette**

**This course requires concentration and focus!**

***Out of respect for others in the room:***

Cell Phones :            off

***and please refrain from:***

browsing, facebooking, social networking,  
texting, instant messaging, tweeting, blogging,  
gaming, during class...

# Prerequisites

- CSc 131 (Intro. to Software Engineering)
- Full CSC major status

# **Prerequisites By Topic**

## **Programming Experience (review “Java Basics” in Appendices)**

- 3 semesters in Java, C++, or similar OOP.
- Object-based principles: class/object definitions, method invocation, public vs. private fields, etc.
- Algorithms/data structures: lists, stacks, trees, hashtables, recursion

## **Software Engineering Topics**

- Life Cycle: requirements, design, implementation, testing
- UML: Class, use-case, sequence diagrams

# **What is this course about ?**

## **Main topics:**

Unit, integration and system testing;  
Verification and validation (V&V);  
Quality assurance;  
Metrics;  
and configuration management;

## First topic: **Unit, integration and system testing**

- Define each testing level
- Coverage at each level (what we are testing?)
- Derive test cases, Testing automation
- Audiences
- Tools



## Second topic: **Verification and Validation**

- Knowing the meaning
- Activities involved
- Testing and SW Development Lifecycle
- IV&V

## Third topic: **Quality assurance**

- What is software quality ?
- Software quality attributes
- Software Quality Assurance
- ISO 9000
  - generic standard - means that the standard can be applied to any organization, large or small
- SQA Activities
- Advantages/Disadvantages

## Fourth topic: **Testing Metrics**

- Why Measure?
- Definition
- Metrics Philosophy
- Types of Metrics
  - % Complete, Fail Rate, Test Coverage, Passed, Blocked, etc
- Interpreting the Results

## Fifth topic: Configuration Management

- Why is Software Difficult to Build ?
- Software Configuration Basics
- SCM definitions
- Example of configurations items
- Version Control and Change Control
- Baseline Management

## Weekly Tentative Schedule:

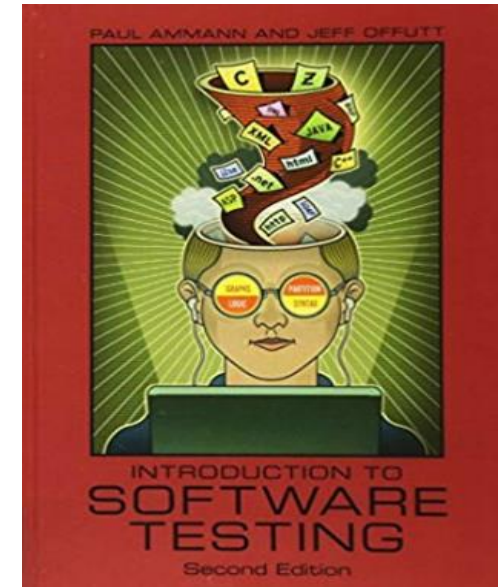
Week	Topic
1	Software quality assurance, Verification & validation
2	Introduction to software testing (Unit, Module, Subsystem, and System Testing), Testing Software Specification, Testing tools
3	Model Driven Test Design (MDTD)
4	Black box testing Test Automation
5	White box testing
6	White box testing ( <u>cont</u> )
7	Introduction to Test-Driven Development (TDD) Web application testing, Usability testing
8	Code Inspection Midterm examination
9	Testing the documentation
10	Configuration Management (CM). Introduction to <u>Git</u> /GitHub software.
11	Testing for security
12	Mutation testing (advanced testing)
13	Software testing metrics
14	Project presentations I
15	Project presentations II
16	Review and Final Examination

# **Texts and References**

- Required Texts:
  - CSc 179 Lecture Notes (Available weekly), available at the “Files” section of LMS (Canvas)

## Texts and References (cont.)

- Recommended Text:
  - Introduction to Software Testing
  - ISBN-13: 978-1107172012
- Supplemental materials:
  - Basic Debugging With Eclipse:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PJWtO5wrptg>
  - Test-Driven Development With Junit  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Ekty7t621k>



# Grading

- Weighted Curve based on:
  - Project reports, presentation, assignments 40%
  - Midterm Exam 20%
  - Final Exam 25%
  - Quizzes 10%
  - Roll Attendance 5%



# Grading

- Additional Criteria
  - Not to miss more than 1 week of class
  - Passing completion of :
    - Project presentation + Assignments
    - Exams (Midterm + Final combined)
    - Attendance/Quizzes

# Grading (cont.)

- Late assignments are accepted **up until 1 week** past due date
- Late penalty: 5% per day, weekend days and holidays are counted
- Submissions can be updated **only** prior to the due date:
  - The version submitted right before the due date will be graded
  - If no such version exists, the version submitted right after the due date will be graded (as late assignment)
- Must keep a *backup* (machine-readable) copy

# Grading (cont.)

## Exams

- Dates are noted on the outline
- Final Exam as scheduled by University
- Study Guides will be provided
- Make-up exams only under extreme circumstances:
  - *generally requires prior arrangements*

# Grading (cont.)

## Attendance Quizzes

- Usually held at the end of lectures
- There is no makeup quiz allowed

# **Final Exam Schedule**

- Date: Thursday, May 16
- Time: 10:15 AM – 12:15 PM

# Communication

- LMS (Canvas): **canvas.csus.edu**
  - assignments
  - announcements (via LMS (Canvas) with emails)
  - feedback and grades
- Check your SacLink email and LMS (Canvas) daily

# Ethics

- Submitting work *constitutes an agreement* that *the work is solely your own*
- Students who violate the University policy on academic honesty are:
  - **Automatically Failed**
  - **Referred to the Dean of Students**
- Detailed Ethics policies given in syllabus and posted on LMS (Canvas)

# Ethics (cont.)

- You are allowed and encouraged to discuss assignments with other students in the class. Getting verbal advice/help from people who've already taken the course is also fine.
- Any reference to assignments from previous terms or web postings is **unacceptable**
- Any copying of non-trivial code is **unacceptable**
  - Non-trivial = more than a line or so
  - Includes reading someone else's code and then going off to write your own.



# Questions?