

1 Email contact

Unfortunately we're not able to explain most course material via email, due to time constraints and other factors. Answering such questions is more appropriate for class discussion or personal communication; questions can sometimes also be asked via Piazza. Please discuss administrative issues as well as course material in person when possible (office hours, and before and after class are good times), and use email in case of urgent or emergency matters only. Lastly, it is not practical to provide detailed information or assistance regarding programming assignments via email, and attempting to do so often results in students receiving incomplete or inadequate information.

2 Office hours

2.1 Instructors' office hours

Sections 0101, 0102, 0103

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Sections 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204

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(*) See Section 1 above regarding email.

2.2 Teaching assistants' office hours

name	duties	email	office hours
Tommy Pensyl	teaching, 0101 & 0102	tpensyl@cs.umd.edu (*)	M 2:30-4:30, W 3-5
Tammy Tran	teaching, 0103 & 0201	tnt@cs.umd.edu (*)	Tu 2:30-4:30, Th 12-2
Derek Juba	teaching, 0202 & 0203	juba@cs.umd.edu (*)	Tu 12-2, F 3-5
Varun Nagaraja	teaching, 0204, and grading	varun@cs.umd.edu (*)	M 11-1, W 1-3
Hao Li	grading	haoli@cs.umd.edu (*)	Th 3:15-5, F 10:45-1

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3 Regarding office hours

All the TAs' office hours will be held in 1112 A.V. Williams.

The TAs' office hours end at the times indicated. Since the TAs may have class or other obligations immediately following their office hours, there may be times when they have to leave five minutes before the end of their scheduled hours. The TAs are not required to remain after their hours are over. To receive assistance you must arrive early enough that you can be helped, taking this into consideration and keeping in mind that there may be others already waiting when you arrive.

There may be times when the TAs need to swap office hours due to exams or other obligations, so at times you may find a different TA in the office hours room than the schedule here indicates.

It's understood that students may occasionally miss class for various reasons, but email and office hours are not intended as a replacement for class attendance.

While the TAs can provide assistance with programming assignments during office hours, you are responsible for developing and debugging your own programs. You should therefore not rely on the instructional staff for getting a project to work. Lower-level CMSC courses provide extensive debugging and development help in office hours, but upper-level CMSC courses expect students to complete projects with minimal extra help. Therefore in CMSC 330 we will provide less debugging help than some students may be used to. If you come in with a question you should expect to be pointed in the right direction, but then it will be up to you to finish solving the problem on your own.

4 Office hours chart

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10			Larry	Larry	
11	Varun				Hao
12		Derek		Tammy	
1			Varun		
2		lecture 010X		lecture 010X	
3	Tommy		Tommy		Derek
4		lecture 020X		lecture 020X	
5	Larry	Nick			