FS 101 Software Everywhere Fall 2013

Presentation Assignment: Controversies and Solutions in Software and Music Piracy

Due Date: Monday or Wednesday, October 28 or 30, 2013

Prepare and give a short four to six minute presentation about an interesting and controversial topic related to the theme of software and music piracy. In particular, your presentation should focus on the content that we have studied in the third module of the course. Your presentation should start with a short one sentence title and later include a clear statement of your viewpoint on the chosen issue. During your presentation, please make sure that you explain the key issues and then take a stand about the best method(s) for addressing these matters. Whenever possible, the short presentation should develop concrete examples that clearly support your statements.

Presentations should be logically organized and presented in a professional manner. To support your presentation, you should program simple slides using the HTML-based approach that we have practiced in class. Furthermore, all students must strictly adhere to the time limit. That is, students must ensure that their talk is not shorter than four minutes and not longer than six minutes. Timing software will be used during your presentations to make sure that you adhere to the stated time limit. Students are strongly encouraged to discuss their presentation ideas with the instructor. You should also consider conducting practice presentations in front of their peers so that you can develop a better feel for what it is like to stand in front of an audience.

During the presentations, all students will be required to evaluate both themselves and all other students. The student(s) who receive the highest overall numerical evaluation from their peers and the instructor will have their letter grade for the presentation increased by a half letter grade.