COMP2511 Object Oriented Design & Programming

Course Introduction

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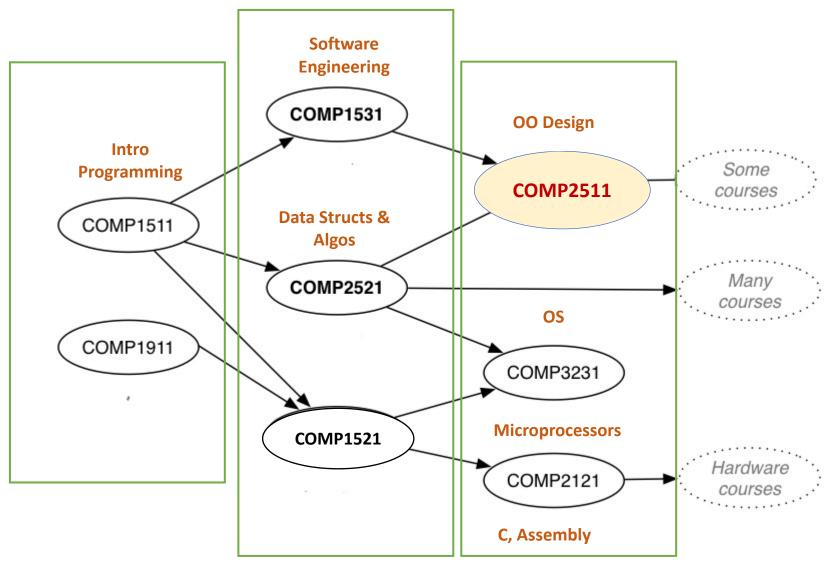
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Course Context

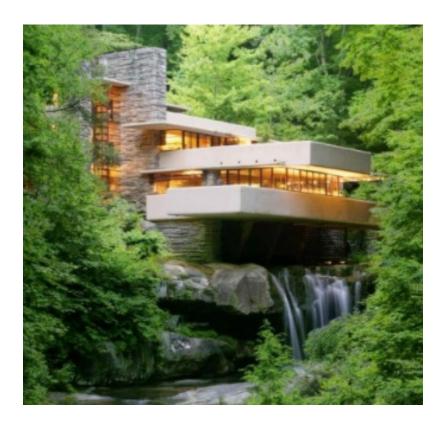


The Story So Far: Course Context

- COMP1511: Solving problems with computers, the wonder and joy of programming
- COMP1521: Getting right down into the silicon
- COMP1531: Solving problems in a team; programming in the large
- COMP2521: Solving problems at scale using data structures and algorithms
- COMP2511???

COMP2511

- We can write code, but how do we write good code?
- Designing elegant and beautiful software.
- Shades of Grey things aren't clear cut.
- From programmers to designers.



COMP 2511 Major Themes

Object Oriented Design Process (SE)

- Understand the principles of object-oriented design
- Be able to follow a **systematic** object-oriented design process
- Be able to interpret and use tools for object-oriented design
- Learn how to apply design principles and design patterns effectively to design flexible,
 maintainable and reusable systems

COMP 2511 Major Themes

Object Oriented Programming in Java

• Be able to write medium-scale object-oriented programs in Java

Software Engineering process

- Problem solving apply SE principles to solve a real-world problem
 - o Be able to work within a small team in the context of a software development project
 - Be able to plan and execute a software project according a systematic software process

Credit teaching material

- No text book, the lecture slides cover the required topics.
- However, you are strongly encouraged to read additional material and the reference books.
- ❖ In the lecture notes, some content and ideas are drawn from:
 - Head First Design Patterns, by Elisabeth Freeman and Kathy Sierra, The State University of New Jersey
 - Refactoring: Improving the design of existing code, by Martin Fowler
 - Material from many popular websites.

How do we obtain our educational objectives?

Lectures: 4 hour lectures (9 weeks)

Tutorials:

- ❖ A 1 hour tutorial session per week, which is scheduled before the lab.
- Tutorials/Labs will be run via MS Teams.
- Tutorials contribute to your class marks.
- ❖ You will receive mark out of one for each tutorial. A number of factors contribute toward you receiving a high grade in this area, including but not limited to:
 - Attending the full tutorial
 - Asking good and logical questions throughout the tutorial
 - Taking initiative to answer questions and be engaged
- ❖ What if I can't make it??
- * Tutorials are understanding-driven interactive examples to illustrate concepts discussed in lectures
- Solutions and recording to tutorials posted at the end of each week

How do we obtain our educational objectives?

Labs:

- 2 hours each week, straight after tutorial
- Similar to most CSE core courses
- Run via MS Teams
- **❖** Weeks 1 4:
 - ❖ Lab marking: Tutors will mark your completed labs
 - Help/assistance with labs/assignment
- ❖ Weeks 5 10:
 - Lab marking
 - ❖ Project check-ins: Group mentoring sessions with your tutor
 - ❖ Weeks 8 + 10: Demonstrations of milestone submissions

How do we obtain our educational objectives?

Labs:

- Labs contribute to your class marks.
- ❖ You will receive marks out of 2 for each lab. A rough guideline for how marks are awarded for your **lab** is below:
 - 2 / 2 marks (completion of all required tasks)
 - 1.5 / 2 marks (satisfactory completion most tasks)
 - 1.0 / 2 marks (did an OK job overall, satisfactory with some errors or items missing)
 - 0.5 / 2 marks (completed some things but did so quite poorly)
 - 0.25 / 2 marks (barely an attempt)

Class Marks (tut/lab marks):

- ❖ Your class mark is made up of marks associated with tutorials, and marks associated with labs.
- There is a total of 25 marks that can be gained between 9 tutorials and 8 labs throughout the course (i.e. 4 bonus marks), although it will be capped at 20 overall and comprise 10% of your overall course mark.

Assumed Knowledge

- Confident programmers
 - Familiar with C and Python programming concepts
- Able to work in a team
 - **❖** Git
 - Working with others
- Understand basic testing principles
- Understand basic software engineering design principles (DRY, KISS)

Assumed Knowledge

- What we don't assume:
 - Knowledge of Java
 - Understanding of Object-Oriented Programming
- This is not a Java course

Assessments

Class Mark (10%)

- Tutorial Participation up to 9 marks available
- Weekly labs:
 - Give the skills needed to complete assignment and project.
 - Enable critical thinking.
 - Each lab is worth 2 marks
- 25 marks available, class mark is capped at 20.
- Labs are (usually) due the following Monday, 1pm.
- Labs released the week prior.
- Lab solutions not be released, some have retrospective videos.

Assignment (15%)

- Due Friday Week 4
- Completed individually
- Spec released end of Week 1

Project (35%)

- Groups of 4 formed within your tutorial
- Groups formed by end of Week 2
- Spec released end of Week 4
- Structure
 - Milestone 1: Formative feedback (anytime)
 - Milestone 2: Submission of work (Week 8 Monday)
 - Milestone 3: Submission of work (Week 10 Monday)
- Measures in place to ensure a difficult group doesn't take a toll on marks

Exam (40%)

- Hurdle must achieve at least 40% in the exam to pass the course
- Tests course concepts taught throughout the term

Course philosophy

- A step up from first year courses
- Challenging but achievable
- Develop skills in time management, teamwork as well as critical thinking
- Highly rewarding

Support

- Supporting you is our job :)
- Help Sessions
 - Lots of them with fantastic tutors
 - Feedback on work, help with problems, clarifying ideas
 - ❖ You are expected to have done your own research and debugging before arriving

Support

- Course Forum (Ed)
 - Ask questions and everyone can see the answers!
 - Make private posts for sharing code
 - * Response time
- Course Account cs2511@cse.unsw.edu.au
 - Sensitive/personal information
- During the project your tutor

Support

- Go to help sessions for help on concepts
- ❖ Post on the forum if you need more immediate lab feedback
- There are no late extensions on labs unless in extenuating circumstances email cs2511@cse.unsw.edu.au

Support - UNSW

- Special Consideration https://student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration
- Equitable Learning Services https://student.unsw.edu.au/els

Mental Health & Wellbeing

- UNSW Psychology & Wellness https://student.unsw.edu.au/mhc
- UNSW Student Advisors https://student.unsw.edu.au/advisors
- Reach out to us at cs2511@cse.unsw.edu.au
- Check in with each other
- ❖ Talk to someone

Feedback

- ❖ We love feedback :)
- Changes made to the course this term based on constructive student feedback
- We always want to continuously improve
- Feedback form
- Course account
- Student representatives

Respect

Yourselves, each other, course staff

Let's have a fantastic T3!!!

