# Welcome to Advanced Data Structures CS/IS 212, ticket 3595 Fall 2019 (Fully Online-Asynchronous)

Dear Students,

Greetings and welcome to Advanced Data Structures CS/IS 212 this Fall. My name is Sarkis Meguerdijian, your instructor, and my email is <a href="mailto:smeguerdijian@glendale.edu">smeguerdijian@glendale.edu</a> though messages and emails through Canvas should be used (preferred). Also, please read the syllabus in Canvas.

#### **ACCESSING THIS COURSE**

For this class, we will use the GCC Canvas learning management system. You can log into the system here: <a href="https://portal.glendale.edu">https://portal.glendale.edu</a>. Students should use their student ID as their username, and the first-time password as upper case initials, @ sign and the six-digit date of birth (mmddyy) as their password (*unless you have already changed your password*). If you have a problem with your Canvas password, or just need help, you can call 1-844-600-4951 for 24/7 help. Course content and other materials will be available on class Canvas Web site as of the first day of class.

#### **GETTING STARTED**

Once you've entered the class through Canvas, you should always start by checking for messages from me and then by reviewing the activities scheduled for that week. You may work ahead in the discussions and submissions if you wish.

Make sure you **do**: Check-In assignment under Week1 it is two parts one is a none graded quiz called "Check-In Assignment" and the other a discussion Forum called "Self-Introduction Assignment" you must do both during the first week to keep your seat in this class, otherwise you may be dropped from the class.

Also, there is a Time Management Strategies under "Extra Credit Assignment (optional)" this will be open for first four (4) weeks, then will be closed. Whoever participates in it, will get extra points. The points will be determined at the end of the semester based on students' postings to the time management.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

If you've never taken an online course before and want to know more about what skills you need to be a successful student online, check out the Distance Education website shown below where there is lot of helpful information to get you started with online learning.

https://www.glendale.edu/class-schedule/distance-education

## **CONTACT**

The Syllabus is under Canvas.

To use Canvas to contact me, your instructor, for any questions or concerns, log into Canvas, click on the Inbox (left), then select the small icon with a pencil, with "Compose Message" window, select the course, select who to send the message (on the "To" line, click on the person icon on the right), then "Teachers", click on my name "Sarkis Meguerdijian" and you can send me a message (wait until you have a question or concern).

I look forward to a great semester.

Have a nice day, Sarkis Meguerdijian