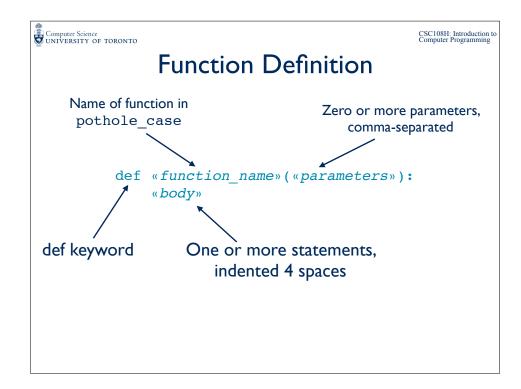


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Functions





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Function Definition

def: a keyword indicating a function definition

«function_name»

the function name, always in $pothole_case$

«parameters»

the parameter(s) of the function, 0 or more

a comma-separated list of variables whose values will be supplied when the function is called

«body»

one or more statements, often ending with a return statement

all body statements must be indented the same amount, usually 4 spaces



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Return Statement

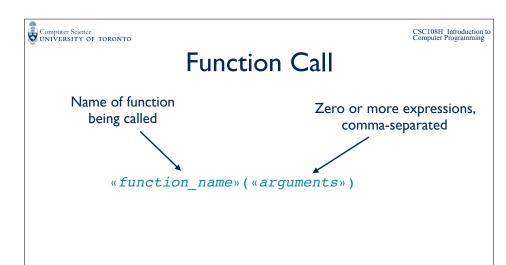
Form:

return «expression»

How it's executed:

Evaluate the expression. This produces a value (which has a memory address).

Exit the function and produce that value to the caller.





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Function Call

The rules for executing a function call:

Evaluate the arguments. These produce values. Each value has a memory address.

Assign those values to the parameters. This stores the memory addresses of the values in the parameters.

Pause the current statement and execute the body of the function.