Dear Student.

Welcome to Computer Science 110! I am Brother Thacker and will be your instructor this semester. I am looking forward to getting to know you and working with you as we develop coding skills and gain an appreciation for coding's role in the real world. Coding is what makes your cell phone more than just a landline. In this course Python is the coding language we will use.

As a 2 credit class, you are expected to spend an average of 7 hours to complete course work each week. The semester will begin September 13, 2021, but you are invited to view the course now to familiarize yourself with it. Your first assignments are due September 14, 2021.

As part of this course, there is a TEAMS discussion group that has been established. You can join using your byui e-mail address and replying to the invitation you will receive in the next few days. In the general channel please post your ice breaker comments due by September 16, 2021. I would also appreciate that you create your ice breaker post early, indicating where you reside. This will help me in setting up effective working groups for week 2 of the course.

You can access the course by logging into I-Learn (https://my.byui.edu (Links to an external site.)) and selecting our class. Please read the course syllabus for more information about the course and assignments. Then begin by opening and beginning the first lesson. Remember, this is not an independent study course and you will need to follow the due dates posted online.

I hope each of you know that even though this course is online, I am available to you for your questions and concerns. Please feel free to email me at thackerbr@byui.edu or text me at (801) 928 6633 I will reply to you as soon as I can.   I will be setting up some office hours each week where you can drop by and we can get better acquainted.

I am looking forward to our time together this semester. As a reminder, remember to use appropriate etiquette and respectful communication with me and with your classmates throughout the semester.

Your brother,

Brandon Thacker