

Course Grading

Total: 1000 Points

- **5 Assignments** – 250 pts
- **2 Projects** – 350 pts (400 pts for ONL)
- **2 Midterms** – 350 pts
- **Daily Quizzes** – 50 pts (0 points for ONL)
- **Bonus** – up to 50 pts

Homework (25%)

- **5 Assignments:** $5 \times 50 = 250$ pts
- Deadlines are firm.
- Extension possible if requested ≥ 48 hrs before due date (–20% penalty).

Projects (35% or 40%)

For F2F courses (35%)

- **Team Project** – 200 pts (20%)
- **Individual Project** – 150 pts (15%)
- Regular status updates to communicate progress.

For ONL (online) courses (40%):

- Two Individual projects (20% + 20%)

Midterms (35%)

- **2 Exams:** $150 + 200 = 350$ pts
- Online via Canvas; 2nd exam is comprehensive.
- One double-sided cheat sheet allowed.
- Strict time limits to prevent cheating.

Daily Quizzes (5% or 0%)

- Total: 50 pts
- Held at the start of class to review key ideas.
- Points awarded for all submissions, even blank.
- For ONL (online) courses (0%)

Bonus Points (Up to 5%)

- **Max:** 50 pts
- Earned for improving the course:
 - Providing feedback
 - Finding/fixing bugs in course materials or programs

Recommendations

1. Start Early, Finish Early

- Identify what you don't know as soon as possible — that's the real secret.

2. Take Action (Just do it)

- Solutions will appear once you start. Don't wait — act now.

3. Be Proactive

- Own your decisions and drive your progress; You know you can do it.

4. Ask for help

- Don't waste time struggling alone — people are ready to help if you reach out.

Apply the P4M4 Model

1. Projects Are Your **Priority**

- Add at least one project to your portfolio after every course.

2. Divide and Conquer with Practice

- Progress step-by-step through focused, manageable practices.

3. Begin with the Magic, Grow with Principles

- Start without overthinking; discover the principles powering the "Magic."

4. Master Many Patterns

- Patterns are your secret weapon for solving real-world problems efficiently.