CIS 115 - Introduction to Computing Science
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Abridged Syllabus

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Class Times:
Section A - TU 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Section B - TU 1:05 - 2:20 p.m.

Grading
Team Assignments
10% - Textbook Section*
10% - Class Topic Research*
10% - Faculty Interview Video*
* Team projects include +/- 50% peer review

Individual Assignments
14% - Programming Assignments
(2% each, 7 total) (drop 1 lowest)
4% - Final Programming Assignment
28% - Class Attendance and Participation
(1% each) (drop 2 lowest)
24% - Online Blog (2% each) (drop 2 lowest)

Late Work
Late work will receive penalty of 10% of the possible points for each day it is late. Missed work cannot be made up except under extenuating circumstances.

Required Texts
- "The Pattern on the Stone: The Simple Ideas that Make Computers Work" by W. Daniel Hillis.
  ISBN 046502596X - http://www.amazon.com/dp/046502596X/
- "Tubes: A Journey to the Center of the Internet" by Andrew Blum.
  ISBN 0061994952 - http://www.amazon.com/dp/0061994952 Kindle edition available
- "Blown to Bits: Your Life, Liberty, and Happiness After the Digital Explosion" by Hal Abelson, Ken Ledeen, and Harry Lewis.
  ISBN 0137135599 - http://www.amazon.com/dp/0137135599/
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Software
Scratch 1.4: http://scratch.mit.edu/scratch_1.4/ - installed in Nichols 122.
Scratch 2.0: http://scratch.mit.edu - Available online, requires Adobe Flash

Academic Honesty
The honor system website can be reached at: http://www.ksu.edu/honor.