

# COP3014 - Foundations of Computer Science

## Assignment #7

**ALWAYS COMPLETE AND SUBMIT YOUR PROGRAM  
EVEN IF IT WILL BE LATE!**

### Objectives:

1. Read the contents of a data file (mytext.dat);
2. Process the frequency of characters (a-z) that appear in the data file
3. Print the frequency of characters in the file to the screen;
4. Be able to use an ifstream object;

In this assignment you will implement a program called "*charword\_freq.cpp*" to determine the number of words and the number of occurrences of each letter in a block of text stored in a data file called "*mytext.dat*". Define a word to be any string of letters that is delimited at each end by either whitespace, a period, a comma, or the beginning or end of a line. You can assume that the input consists entirely of letters, whitespace, commas and periods. When outputting the number of words and letters that occur in a line, be sure to count upper- and lowercase versions of a letter as the same letter. Output the letters in alphabetical order and list only those letters that do occur in the input data file. Consider the following example:

Block of text in the data file:

hello world ALL is great. HELLO WORLD ALL IS GREAT. hello world all iS great.

Output of your program to the screen:

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15 words
6 a
3 d
6 e
3 g
3 h
3 i
15 l
6 o
6 r
3 s
3 t
3 w
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Your program should be modular, meaning that you should break it up into smaller function(s). Your main program should be as small as possible and well documented.

### **Handing in your program**

Electronically submit *the source file "charword\_freq.cpp"* in the Assignments area of blackboard before the due date and time. **Remember, no late assignments will be accepted.**