



COP3330 Object Oriented Programming in C++

Syllabus

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Course Objectives

- ★ Understand object oriented programming and advanced C++ concepts
 - Be able to explain the difference between object oriented programming and procedural programming.
 - Be able to program using more advanced C++ features such as composition of objects, operator overloads, dynamic memory allocation, inheritance and polymorphism, file I/O, exception handling, etc.
 - Be able to build C++ classes using appropriate encapsulation and design principles.
- ★ Improve your problem solving skills
 - Be able to apply object oriented or non-object oriented techniques to solve bigger computing problems (than the ones in COP3014).
- ★ Ultimate goal: to make you a good programmer.

Implication

- ☀ To make you a good programmer
 - With proper training, anyone can be a good programmer.
 - This is the course to get the training.
 - Programming skill is not something one processes naturally.
 - It takes practice to develop the skill.
 - To become a good programmer, you have to write a certain amount of code, make the code work, and fix a certain number of bugs.
 - Watching other people making your code work is not going to help your program skills and is a missed opportunity.
 - **Running for help at the first sight of a problem is the biggest obstacle for one to become a good programmer.**
 - No pain, no gain!!!

Prerequisites

- ★ C- in COP 3014

- ★ Understand procedural programming using C/C++

- Variables and arrays
- Various control flows
 - Expression and assignment
 - Sequence, conditions, loops, subroutines
- Basic IO mechanisms.

Course Material

- ★ Lecture notes (posted at the class website)
- ★ Textbooks:
 - Walter Savitch,
Absolute C++,
5th Edition

Class Grading

- Midterm (25%)
- Final (35%)
 - Covers the whole course
- Programming projects (30%)
- Homework/quizz/bug_fixing_log/attendance/etc (10%)

Programming projects

- Tentative 8-10 programming projects (30%)
 - Some on problem solving
 - Some on Object oriented programming
 - Some mixed
 - Almost 1 project every week
- Complete project within due date
 - 10% for up to one day.
- Two lowest grade projects will be dropped; others are equally weighted for the project grade.
- Key code segments in the projects will appear in the exam.

Programming projects

- The projects are designed for you to do on your own.
 - You are the only one who is responsible for your own code.
 - Asking for help on your code is a missed opportunity and should only be used as a last resort.
 - If you need to ask anyone to look at your code, ask the TA or myself in person.
 - Asking your friends to look at your code is a form of cheating.
- Two policies to encourage you to make **YOUR** program work **ON YOUR OWN** as much as possible.
 - Programs with any compiling error will receive a 0 grade.
 - For an experienced programmer, software design and coding takes about 50% of the development process. The other 50% is in debugging, testing, and making the software work.
 - If your code has compiling errors, you did not spend enough time on the project.

Programming projects

- Second policy: 6 lifelines for each person after the first project.
 - The lifelines can be used for the TA or myself to identify bugs (compiler or run-time) **in your code**.
 - Any question that can be answered without directly looking at your program do not count as a lifeline.
 - If you are able to isolate the problem in one or a few lines of code, you can hand-write the code segment and ask questions without being counted as the lifeline.
 - You can only use your lifelines in person.
 - You should NOT email you code to anyone for bug fixing.
 - Unused lifelines will be converted to extra points for the course at the end of the semester.

Letter grades

★ A : 92-100%	C+: 78-80%	D-: 60-62%
★ A-: 90-92%	C: 72-78%	F: 0-59%
★ B+: 88-90%	C-: 70-72%	
★ B: 82-88%	D+: 68-70%	
★ B-: 80-82%	D: 62-68%	

To get C- or above, you must have a C- for the exam and the combined grade. If the exam grade misses the threshold, the Highest letter grade is a D+.

Computer Accounts

- ★ Computer science account

- ★ Various tools

- SSH, E-mail, text editor, g++, make

- ★ FSU account

- ★ Receiving class emails

- ★ Please communicate with the instructor and the TA using a fsu account (cs or garnet). Emails from outside fsu accounts (yahoo, hotmail, gmail, etc) will be ignored.

Tentative schedule

- ★ Week 1: Structures and Classes (Chapter 6)
- ★ Week 2: Constructors and other tools (Chapter 7)
- ★ Week 3: Operator overloading, friends and references (Chapter 8)
- ★ Week 4: Arrays and classes (Chapter 10)
- ★ Week 5: Pointers and dynamic classes (chapter 10),
- ★ Week 6: Midterm
- ★ Week 7: String classes (Chapter 9)
- ★ Week 8: Recursion (Chapter 13)
- ★ Week 9: Inheritance (Chapter 14)
- ★ Week 10: Polymorphism, virtual function (Chapter 15)
- ★ Week 11: Templates (Chapter 16)
- ★ Week 12: Final exam

Academic honor policy

- ✦ Read the student handbook
- ✦ All violations will be processed by the university
- ✦ Step 1 penalty: 0 grade for the particular homework/project/exam AND 1 letter grade downgrade for the final course letter grade (e.g. B->C).
 - ✦ Expect to fail the class if caught cheating once.

Academic honor policy

- ✱ We will use all our resources to maximize the possibility for catching cheater.
- ✱ We will do our best to make sure that those who cheat fail the class at least.
 - ✱ There will be a large percentage of exam points directly related to the programming projects.

Your Responsibilities

- ✱ Understand lecture and reading materials
- ✱ Attend office hours for extra help, as needed
- ✱ Uphold academic honesty
- ✱ Turn in your assignments on time
- ✱ Check class Web page and your email account and regularly

Dos and Don'ts

- ✱ Do share debugging experiences
- ✱ Do share knowledge of tools
- ✱ Do acknowledge help from others
- ✱ Do acknowledge sources of information from books and web pages

Dos and Don'ts

- ☀ Don't go for help at the first sight of a problem.
 - Get help in coding as the last resort.
- ☀ Don't work on other people's code.
- ☀ Don't cheat
- ☀ Don't copy code from others
- ☀ Don't *paraphrase* code from others either
 - E.g., changing variable names & indentations
- ☀ Don't leak your code to any place
 - There is no difference in terms of penalty between copying and being copied.
- ☀ All of the above honor code violations will be resolved through the Office of the Dean and the Faculties.
 - Zero for the particular assignment/exam AND one letter grade deduction for the level 1 agreement (first violation).

Course Policies

- ★ Attendance mandatory
- ★ There are no make-up exams for missed exams unless one (1) has a good excuse AND (2) notices the instructor before the exam.
- ★ Students with disabilities
 - ★ Report to Student Disability Resource Center
 - ★ Bring me a letter within the first week of class