CSE 15/15L
Introduction to Data Structures
Fall 2019

15 Description: Teaches students to implement common data structures and the algorithms associated with each data structure, through progressively difficult exercises. Topics include big "O" notation; pointers, recursion (induction), and dynamic allocation; linked lists and list processing; stacks, queues, binary trees and binary search trees; simple sorting techniques and simple search techniques. Students will gain a working knowledge of the elements of the Java and C programming languages. Prior experience with Unix is assumed. (Formerly CMPS 12B.)

15L Description: Complements 15, gaining additional competence with a number of important software development tools, languages, and techniques. Included are advanced Unix features and utilities such as grep, find, diff, the shell, and pipes; C programs utilizing I/O, arrays, pointers, and structures; a scripting language to perform simple text and file manipulation; and the make utility. (Formerly CMPS 12M.)

Time and Place: MW 7:10pm-8:45pm Media Theater M110
Class Webpage: https://classes.soe.ucsc.edu/cse015/Fall19/

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Required Texts:
main: https://opendatastructures.org/
pdf: https://opendatastructures.org/ods-python.pdf
html: https://opendatastructures.org/ods-python/


Supplementary Texts:
C in a Nutshell (2nd Edition) by Tony Crawford and Peter Prinz. O'Reilly 2015
https://proquest-safaribooksonline-com.oca.ucsc.edu/book/programming/c/9781491924174

https://proquest-safaribooksonline-com.oca.ucsc.edu/book/programming/c/1565923065
Coursework
Although 15 and 15L are separate courses, it is the policy of this class that students will receive the same grade in both. The following weights will determine this grade.

- 10% **Lab Assignments**: Seven assignments due at roughly 7 day intervals
- 30% **Programming Assignments**: Five assignments due at roughly 8 day intervals
- 15% **Midterm Exam 1**: Wednesday October 23, 7:10-8:15pm (lecture to follow)
- 15% **Midterm Exam 2**: Wednesday November 20, 7:10-8:15pm (lecture to follow)
- 30% **Final Exam**: Monday December 9, 8:00–10:00pm

CSE 15 and CSE 15L are co-requisite courses and special permission is required to take only one. If you believe you need this permission, see me in office hours to explain why. In such a case, your grade will be calculated as follows.

**15 only:**
You need not complete the Lab Assignments (though they are recommended). Programming Assignments will be 40% of your grade, and exams will be weighted as above.

**15L only:** You need not complete the Programming Assignments (though they are recommended), and you need not sit for Midterms 1 and 2. Lab Assignments will be 70% of your grade, and the Final Exam will be 30%.

In addition, it is required that students earn a passing grade in both the Programming-Lab, and Exam portions of this course in order to receive a grade of C or better. Specifically, if either the combined Programming-Lab average (weighted as above), or the combined exam average (weighted as above), is not passing ($\geq$ 70%), then the student's maximum possible grade will be C-. All scores (Lab, Program, Midterm 1, Midterm 2, Final and Overall) will be rounded to the nearest 10th of a percent. They will not be rounded further. No scores in this class are curved.

**Grading scale:**

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**Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**
UC Santa Cruz is committed to creating an academic environment that supports its diverse student body. If you are a student with a disability who requires accommodations to achieve equal access in this course,
please submit your Accommodation Authorization Letter from the Disability Resource Center (DRC) to me privately during my office hours (or by appointment), preferably within the first two weeks of the quarter. At that meeting, we will discuss how to best ensure your full participation in the course. I encourage all students who may benefit from DRC services, or who wish to just learn more about those services, to contact DRC by phone at 831-459-2089, or by email at drc@ucsc.edu. See also https://drc.ucsc.edu/.

**Academic Honesty:**
The Baskin School of Engineering has a zero tolerance policy for any incident of academic misconduct. If cheating occurs, consequences may range from getting zero on a particular assignment to failing the course. In addition every case of academic misconduct is referred to the students’ college Provost, who sets in motion an official disciplinary process. Cheating in any part of the course may lead to failing the course, suspension or dismissal from the Baskin School of Engineering, or from UCSC.

What is cheating? In short, it is presenting someone else’s work as your own. Examples include copying another students’ lab assignment, programming assignment, or exam solution; allowing your own work to be copied; or in any way facilitating misconduct by others. You may discuss lab and programming projects with fellow students, but your collaboration must be at the level of ideas only. You may freely give and receive help on the UCSC computer facilities, code editors and IDEs, the UNIX operating system, and on the proper use and syntax of the Java and C programming languages. You may also freely use any example code that is posted by me on the class webpage. However, you may not copy, paste, email, transfer or share in any way the source code for projects in this class.

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