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CS 241-101: Foundations of Computer Science I

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CS 241 COURSE SYLLABUS – FALL 2020

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CS 241: Foundations of Computer Science I (Discrete Mathematics for CS)

Number of Credits: 3

Course Description: This course provides the mathematical and analytical foundations of computer science and its applications to various areas in CS. The course covers the material traditionally known as “discrete mathematics”, with special emphasis on CS applications and an analysis of algorithms. The course topics include sets and logic, proof techniques, proof by induction, functions and relations, analysis of algorithms, recursion, recurrence equations, divide-and-conquer design technique, counting methods (permutations and combinations), basic discrete probability, and if time permits, introduction to number theory, and a brief introduction to graphs and trees. Prerequisites: Prerequisites: CS 114: Intro to Computer Science; Math 112: Calculus II.

Course Objectives (what you are expected to know to complete this course)

1. Know basic mathematical tools and terminologies used in computer science
2. Know set algebra, propositional logic, reasoning, and basic proof techniques
3. know induction, recursion, recurrence equations, and how they are interrelated
4. Know the mathematical tools used to analyze efficiency of algorithms
5. Implement simple programs and run experiments to measure their time complexity
6. Learn permutations/combinations, basic discrete probability and applications


Instructor: CS 241-001, CS 241-101 Adrian Ionescu

Grading Policy: The final grade in this course will be determined as follows:

- Quizzes (30%), Homework + Projects (5%) 35%
- Midterm Exam: 30%
- Final Exam: 35%
University-wide Withdrawal Date: Please note that the University Withdrawal Date **Monday, November 6, 2020** deadline will be strictly enforced.

Homework Policy: Additional homework problems will be assigned in class.

Attendance: Attendance at all classes will be recorded and is mandatory. Please make sure you read and fully understand the Department's Attendance Policy. This policy will be strictly enforced. Absences from class will inhibit your ability to fully participate in class discussions and problem solving sessions and, therefore, affect your grade. Tardiness to class is very disruptive to the instructor and students and will not be tolerated. Each student should have contact information of several fellow students to get homework assignments and class notes when absent. You are responsible for everything that happens in class whether you are present or not.

Makeup Exam Policy: There will be **NO MAKE-UP EXAMS** during the semester. In any case the student must notify the Dean of Students and the Instructor that the exam will be missed and present written verifiable proof of the reason for missing the exam, e.g., a doctor’s note, police report, court notice, etc., clearly stating the date AND time of the mitigating problem.

Further Assistance: For further questions, students should contact their Instructor.

Cellular Phones: All cellular phones and beepers must be switched off during class.

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**CALENDAR**

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**COURSE OUTLINE**

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| 1-2  | Chapter 1    | **Sets and Logic:** Sets, Propositional Logic, Quantifiers  
**HW:** 1.1 (1-100 blues), 1.2 (23-30 all), 1.3 (63-72 all), 1.5 (53-59 all), 1.6 (48-66 all) |
| 3-4  | Chapter 2    | **Proof Techniques:** Direct Proof, Counterexample, Contrapositive, Proof by Contradiction, Enumeration Proof, Proof by Induction; Strong Induction  
**Chapter 5**  
**Introduction to Number Theory** (as time permits)  
**HW:** 2.1 (1-55 blues), 2.2 (1-37 blues), 2.4 (1-28 blues), 2.5 (1-10 blues) |
| 5-6  | Chapter 3    | **Functions and Relations:** Functions Relations Properties: Reflexive, Symmetric, Transitive; Partial Order, Total Order, Equivalence Relations, Matrices of Relations Application: Intro to Relational Databases  
**HW:** 3.1 (1-55 blues – as time permits), 3.2 (1-100 blues – as time permits), 3.3 (1-44 blues), 3.4 (1-37 blues), 3.5 (1-10 blues – as time permits) |
| 7    | Chapter 4    | **Algorithms:** Analysis of Algorithms, Recursive Algorithms, Use of Recurrences to Analyze Algorithms  
**HW:** 4.3 (1-99 blues – as time permits), 4.4 (1-30 blues – as time permits) |
<p>| 8    | Midterm      | REVIEW and MIDTERM |
| 9    | Chapter 7    | <strong>Recurrence Equations:</strong> Divide-and-Conquer Recurrences, Master Theorem, Linear Recurrences (Strong Induction) |</p>
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| 10-11 | Chapter 6                                                                       | **Counting Methods**: Permutations and Combinations, Principle of Inclusion/Exclusion, Introduction to Basic Probability, Binomial Theorem, Pigeonhole Principle,  
|       |                                                                                | **HW**: 6.1 (1-92 blues), 6.2 (1-68 blues), 6.3 (1-7 all),  
|       |                                                                                | 6.5 (1-44 blues), 6.6 (1-63 blues), 6.7 (1-33 blues),  
|       |                                                                                | 6.8 (1-33 blues)                                                      |
| 12-13 | Chapters 8 (9)                                                                  | **Introduction to Trees and Graphs**: Graphs, Euler and Hamiltonian Cycles, Dijkstra Algorithm, Isomorphisms of Graphs and Trees  
|       |                                                                                | **HW**: 8.1 (1-27 blues), 8.2 (1-37 blues), 8.3 (1-15 blues),  
|       |                                                                                | 8.4 (1-5 all), 8.5 (1-19 blues – as time permits),  
|       |                                                                                | 8.6 (1-13 blues – as time permits), 9.8 (1-22 blues – as time permits)  |
| 14    | Review                                                                          | REVIEW FOR THE FINAL EXAM                                             |

**Prepared By:** Prof. Adrian Ionescu  
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