Course Information

CSE 307 – Principles of Programming Languages
Spring 2016
Stony Brook University
Instructor: Dr. Paul Fodor

http://www.cs.stonybrook.edu/~cse307
Course Description

• “Presents examples of important programming languages and paradigms such as LISP, ALGOL, ADA, ML, Prolog, and C++. Students write sample programs in some of the languages studied. The languages are used to illustrate programming language constructs such as binding, binding times, data types and implementation, operations (assignment data-type creation, pattern matching), data control, storage management, parameter passing, and operating environment. The suitability of these various languages for particular programming tasks is also covered.”

• Prerequisites: CSE 219 or CSE 260, and CSE 220 and the CSE major or permission of instructor.
General Information

- Meeting Information:
  - Lectures: TuTh 7:00PM - 8:20PM, Computer Science 2120.

- Course Web page:
  http://www.cs.stonybrook.edu/~cse307

- Blackboard will be used for assignments, grades and course material
Instructor Information

- Dr. Paul Fodor
  214 New Computer Science Building
- Office hours: Tuesdays 11:30AM-1:00PM and Thursdays 2:30PM-4:00PM
  - I am also available by appointment
- Email: paul (dot) fodor (at) stonybrook (dot) edu
  - Please include “CSE 307” in the email subject and your name in your email correspondence
Official Course Outcomes

- An ability to program in different language paradigms and evaluate their relative benefits.
- Knowledge of, and ability to use, language features used in current programming languages.
- An understanding of the key concepts in the implementation of common features of programming languages.
Textbook


F: The full-year/self-study plan
R: The one-semester Rochester plan
P: The traditional Programming Languages plan;
   would also de-emphasize implementation material
   throughout the chapters shown
C: The compiler plan; would also de-emphasize design material
   throughout the chapters shown

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Topics

- **Major Topics Covered in Course:**
  - Principles of Language Design
  - Specification of Language Syntax
  - Survey of Procedural and OO Languages
  - Intro. to Functional Programming
  - Intro. to Logic Programming
  - Programming Language Semantics
  - Values; Bindings; Types;
  - Programming Language Constructs
  - Expressions; Statements
  - Procedures and Environments
  - Parameter Passing
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Measuring_programming_language_popularity
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Grading Schema

- Homework assignments, projects and quizzes -- 25%
- Midterm exams (2) -- 40% (20% each)
- Final exam -- 35%
Examinations

- Midterm exam 1: Thursday, 3/03/2016, 7:00PM-8:20PM, Computer Science 2120.
- Midterm exam 2: Thursday, 4/14/2016, 7:00PM-8:20PM, Computer Science 2120.
- Final exam: Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 8:30PM-10:30PM, Computer Science 2120 (see the Stony Brook University Final Exam Schedule Calendar)

http://www.stonybrook.edu/registrar/finals.shtml
Assignments

- Homework assignments due on fixed dates and times.
  - no late submission is permitted
- All assignments should be submitted electronically
  - Blackboard and textbook Web site
Regrading of Homework/Exams

• Please meet with a TA or the instructor and arrange for regrading.
• You have one week from the day grades are posted or mailed or announced
• Late requests will not be entertained
Academic Integrity

- You can discuss general assignment concepts with other students: explaining how to use systems or tools and helping others with high-level design issues.

- You **MAY NOT share** assignments, source code or other answers by copying, retyping, looking at, or supplying a file.

- Assignments are subject to manual and automated similarity checking (We do check! and our tools for doing this are much better than cheaters think).

- If you cheat, you will be brought up on academic dishonesty charges - we follow the university policy:
  - [http://www.stonybrook.edu/uaa/academicjudiciary](http://www.stonybrook.edu/uaa/academicjudiciary)
Disability

• If you have a physical, psychological, medical or learning disability, contact the DSS office at Room 128 ECC. Phone 632-6748/TDD

• If you are planning to take an exam at DSS office, you need to tell me ahead of time for every exam.

• All documentation of disability is confidential.
Catastrophic events

- Major illness, death in family, …
- Formulate a plan (with your CEAS academic advisor) to get back on track
- Advice
  - Once you start running late, it’s really hard to catch up
Please

• Please be on time
• Please show respect for your classmates
• Please turn off (or use vibrate for) your cellphones

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• On-topic questions are welcome
Welcome and Enjoy!