

MIDTERM EXAM RESULTS

CSE 416-S01 - Software Engineering

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Scores

- Unadjusted midterm grades are now available
- TAs will reviewed the exam notes and exam videos
- Comparison

	Fall2025	Spring2026
Median	85.5	90.5
Average	83.6	86.0

Results indicate varied progress of teams

- Observations:
 - This semester, there lots of good work
 - AI is being managed well by the class

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Summary of Exam Categories

- Teamwork
 - Good coordination and meeting interaction
 - Fairly good coordination on interfaces
- Requirements analysis
 - Varied knowledge displayed
- Project planning
 - Some good use of project management tools (e.g., Trello)
 - Many teams developing data and SeaWulf work late
- System/test design
 - Use of AI appeared generated good test data
 - Inadequate testing of GUI through test data on server

A few teams had members working multiple components of project – did not appear to be a productive approach

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Soft Skills in Software Engineering

In a world of AI coding assists, thinking and soft skills are increasingly important

- Non-technical language skills appeared very good
- Some students not comfortable discussing technical topics
 - Indicates lack of precise team discussions
 - Indicates possible over-reliance on non-verbal communications
- Overall teamwork looked good
 - Varying approaches
 - Rare to find tasks below the level of the use case

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Design Reviews

- Midterm exam results elevates the importance of the design reviews
- Prep for design reviews in the next few sessions