Data Structures and Algorithms

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Course Description

Algorithm development using pseudo languages, basic program structures, program design techniques, storage and manipulation of basic data structures like arrays, stacks, queues, sorting and searching and string processing. Linked linear lists. Trees and multilinked structures.

4 Credit Hours

Course Pre-Requisites

COP 3504 or COP 3503 with minimum grade of C, COT 3100, and MAC 2234, MAC 2312, MAC 3473 or MAC 3512.
Course Objectives

This course covers implementation and use of data structures for use in problem solving. In particular, lists, stacks, queues, trees, tables and graphs will be covered. Algorithm development including recursive techniques will be covered. Sorting algorithms will be covered. Students will learn to solve problems using data structures and choose how those data structures will be implemented.

By the end of the semester, students should be able to

- Choose and implement data structures for solving problems based on their functions and situational appropriateness of application
- Choose an algorithm for solving a problem based on its computational complexity and appropriateness of application
- Use an abstract data type to describe a data structure

Professional Component (ABET):

This course is used to assess program outcomes for these ABET criteria:

a) an ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science and engineering

e) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve hardware and software computer engineering problems, accounting for the interaction between hardware and software

k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for computer engineering practice

Recommended Textbook and Software
Open Data Structures and Algorithms


**Attendance Policy, Class Expectations, and Make-Up Policy**

**Exams**
Exams require the use of Respondus Lockdown Browser.

Download Lockdown Browser

Exams may be made up when student has an excused absence.

Excused absences must be consistent with university policies in the undergraduate catalog (https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance) and require appropriate documentation.

**Programming Assignments**

Programming assignments require the use of C++. They will be compiled with g++ and your program must compile using this compiler.

Programming assignment grades include the use of data structures as taught in the class. The point of the class is to learn to make the best choices of data structures and algorithms, so choosing the most efficient data structures will be part of an assignment grade. Rubrics are not a step by step guide to getting 100% on the assignment, and passing all test cases does not mean you get 100% on the assignment.

Programming Assignments may be turned in late with a penalty of 10% per day up to 4 days late.

**University Honesty Policy**

You may work together but your code must be your own. Working together on an algorithm is OK, copying and pasting code from each other or the internet or anywhere else is not.

We will be checking your code using MOSS (measure of software similarity). If you're thinking of turning in code you didn't write, just don't. You don't learn that way, and isn't learning why you're here?
Do not store your code in a publicly accessible github.

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**Quizzes**

Quizzes are given during the discussion period. They will consist of a coding exercise that you will complete in small groups. Quizzes may not be made up.

2 Quiz grades will be dropped.

**Questions on grading of Exams, Quizzes and Programming Assignment must be brought up within 1 week of receiving a grade. After 1 week, the grade is set.**

**Practice Coding**

Practice for the coding exercises you will be asked about on quizzes and exams is available using Stepik. Go to stepik.org and create an account.

Join this course:

[https://stepik.org/course/50935/syllabus](https://stepik.org/course/50935/syllabus)

**Communication:**

Every effort will be made to communicate all necessary information via Canvas. There will also be communications made in lecture. If something is said in lecture, it is considered to be communicated to the class. Therefore, if you miss class you may miss information.

The instructor will answer emails. However, emails that ask a question directly addressed in class or on Canvas may not be answered.

**Policy for Discussions- Be Nice, Be Helpful**

1. Treat your classmates with civility and respect. Don't attack anyone and no discussion of controversial topics on channels.
2. If you have a question regarding code or content, always post it on a public channel. Don't be hesitant however simple is the question. You will be surprised how many students have the same question but are hesitant to ask.

3. Try to answer questions posted by your course mates if possible and help them. This is helpful to form a vibrant community.

4. If you are answering questions posted by your course mates use the reply feature to create threads in slack.

**TopHat**

3% of your grade is participation in TopHat questions in lecture.

TopHat costs $20/semester (no matter how many classes).

Join code 344222

Password: D4t4Structures!

**Evaluation of Grades**

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**Extra Credit**

Up to 2% extra credit can be earned. Details to follow.

**Grading Policy**
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More information on UF grading policy may be found at: [https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx](https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx)

### Commitment to a safe and inclusive learning environment

The Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering values broad diversity within our community and is committed to individual and group empowerment, inclusion, and the elimination of discrimination.

It is expected that every person in this class will treat one another with dignity and respect regardless of gender, sexuality, disability, age, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, and culture.

If you feel like your performance in class is being impacted by discrimination or harassment of any kind please contact your instructor or any of the following:

- Your academic advisor or Graduate Program Coordinator
- Robin Bielling, Director of Human Resources, 352-392-0903, rbielling@eng.ufl.edu
- Curtis Taylor, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, 352-392-2177, taylor@eng.ufl.edu
• Toshikazu Nishida, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, 352-392-0943, nishida@ufl.edu

Sexual Discrimination, Harassment, Assault, or Violence

If you or a friend has been subjected to sexual discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual assault, or violence contact the Office of Title IX Compliance, located at Yon Hall Room 427, 1908 Stadium Road, (352) 273-1094, title-ix@ufl.edu

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, https://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/evals. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

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Software Use
All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate. We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

**Student Privacy**

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see: [http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html](http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html)

**Campus Resources:**

**Health and Wellness**

**U Matter, We Care:**

Your well-being is important to the University of Florida. The U Matter, We Care initiative is committed to creating a culture of care on our campus by encouraging members of our community to look out for one another and to reach out for help if a member of our community is in need. If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu so that the U Matter, We Care Team can reach out to the student in distress. A nighttime and weekend crisis counselor is available by phone at 352-392-1575. The U Matter, We Care Team can help connect students to the many other helping resources available including, but not limited to, Victim Advocates, Housing staff, and the Counseling and Wellness Center. Please remember that asking for help is a sign of strength. In case of emergency, call 9-1-1.

**Counseling and Wellness Center:** [http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc](http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc), and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

**Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)**
Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

University Police Department at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or http://www.police.ufl.edu/.

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu. https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml.


Library Support, http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask. Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/.


