

CSC 485
Senior Seminar
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COURSE CREDIT: 1 hrs. credit **PREREQUISITES:** CSC 416 & 422 or instructor's consent

OFFICE HOURS: MWF 10-10:50; MF 11-11:50; TR 8-9:15, 11-12, 1:15-2:15; *other hours by appointment*

TEXT: *GRE Computer Science Subject Test*, Educational Testing Service
The New Turing Omnibus, A. K. Dewdney

DESCRIPTION: Students will review material from their Computer Science course work and apply this knowledge in the study, discussion and presentation of current literature in the field. Grades will be based, in part, on student presentations and on the results of a nationally standardized Computer Science exam to be given during the course.

OTHER MATERIALS: MCnet account and access to the Internet.

RATIONALE: This course is required of all majors Computer Science and Computing and Information Systems as well as various other degree programs on campus. The students must earn at least a C in this course to enter CSC 116.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: After successfully passing this course, the student will demonstrate their mastery of undergraduate Computer Science or Computing and Information Systems. They will be comfortable with giving oral presentations on Computer Science concepts and projects.

EVALUATION: *The instructor reserves the right to make adjustments as necessary.*

Tests/ Quizzes: There will be a exams on the GRE/MFT material worth a total of 200 points.

Presentations: Presentations of GRE material will be worth a total of 200 points..

Omnibus Solutions: Assignments from this material will be worth a total of 200 points.

Omnibus Present.: Presentations from this material will be worth a total of 200 points.

Final Exam: There will be a comprehensive final examination given at the time specified by the college. This examination will be worth 200 points.

Grading Scale:	900-1000	A	600-699	D
	800-899	B	0-599	F
	700-799	C		

CLASS ATTENDANCE: The student is expected to attend classes. Regulations for class attendance are given in the Class Schedule. Remember in a MWF class 12 absences is an automatic **F**. Eight (8) absences in a TR class results in an automatic **F**. Four (4) absences in a once per week class results in an automatic **F**. **Three tardies**

counts as one absence in this class. (See the Mississippi College catalog).

MAKE-UP WORK & TESTS: Students are expected to take tests on the day they are assigned. However, it is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor in case of an emergency illness or death in the family **before** the test. At that time the student and instructor will agree on a time for the make-up exam. This time should be within 2 days of the missed test. Assignments are to be turned in on the day they are due!! All work is due at the beginning of the class period. Any work not turned in will lose 10% credit for each school day until the third day. The due date at the beginning of class is day 1. No work will be accepted after the third day. Under no circumstances will work be accepted after the assignment has been graded and handed back in class. Laboratory work will be due at the end of each week's lab at which time a lab quiz will be administered. Exceptions to this may be made at the instructor's discretion.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: This statement on academic honesty in computer science courses is an addendum to the Mississippi College policy 2.19 found at <http://www.mc.edu/publications/policies/academic/219.wpd>. In a computer science class individual effort is expected. Student misconduct not only includes cheating on tests, but also extends to copying or collaborating on programming assignments, projects, lab work or research unless otherwise specified by the instructor. Using other people's accounts to do your work or having others do your work is prohibited. Close proximity in lab does not mean collaboration is permitted. **NOTE: Discussing logical solutions to problems is acceptable, exchange of code, pseudocode, designs, or procuring solutions from the Web, other texts, the Internet or other resources on or off campus is not acceptable.**

First offense: grade of 0 for ****all**** parties involved unless the "guilty" party can be determined as well as any punishment deemed necessary under policy 2.19

Second offense: grade of F in the course as well as any punishment deemed necessary under policy 2.19

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS: If you need special accommodations due to learning, physical, psychological, or other disabilities, please contact Dr. Buddy Wagner in the Counseling and Career Development Center. He may be reached by phone at (601) 925-3354 or by mail at P. O. Box 4016, Clinton, MS 39058.

DROPPING A COURSE: LAST DROP DATE - March 28

Students cannot withdraw after this date with a W (passing) unless the three following criteria are met:

- Extenuating circumstances (clearly outside the student's control)
- Passing the course at the time of withdrawal
- Does not have excessive absences at the time of withdrawal

NOTE: Dropping after the THIRD (3rd) WEEK will result in a grade of W appearing on your permanent record (transcripts). See <http://www.mc.edu/publications/policies/academic/213.wpd>.