Computer Science 100: Computer Science Seminar
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Office Hours: See http://matthews.sites.truman.edu. I have an open door policy. Students are always welcome to stop by my office and ask for help, or to discuss the class, their course work, or any other concerns.

Course Description: This course is an orientation to the academic discipline of computer science, and the computer science program at Truman.

Text: There is no text for this course. You should, however, keep a notebook for the course where you can store class handouts, assignments and your notes.

Course Content:
- The Liberal Arts and Sciences; Computer Science in the Liberal Arts and Sciences context; an overview of the academic discipline of Computer Science
- The Liberal Studies Program, planning to graduate in four years
- The Senior Portfolio
- The Computer Science capstone, research and internships opportunities in Computer Science
- Academic integrity
- Career opportunities in Computer Science, graduate education in Computer Science

Grading: There will be five homework assignments this semester. Each homework assignment will be assigned a grade of from zero to three points using the following scale:

- Excellent: 3 points
- Satisfactory: 2 points
- Weak but passing: 1 point
- Fail: 0 points

At the end of the semester, grades will be assigned by totaling the number of points you earned during the semester and then assigning a letter grade using the following scale:

- 13 - 15 points: A
- 11 - 12 points: B
- 8 - 10 points: C
- 5 - 7 points: D
- 4 or fewer points: F

Submission Policy: All homework assignments will have a due date, and will be due *at the beginning of class* on the due date, unless an alternative due date is announced in class. Homework submitted to me on the due date, but after the beginning of class, will be penalized one point. Homework submitted after the due date will be assessed one additional penalty point for each day past the due date. The late clock does not run on weekends or days when the university is not in session. Electronic submissions of homework are not accepted.

Academic Honesty Policy: Plagiarism means taking someone else's work or ideas and submitting them as your own. Plagiarism is a form of theft. All material submitted for grading in the course must be solely your own work, unless you have been specifically authorized to work with someone else. *Please note that I take this policy very seriously.* Violations will result in a zero on the offending submission and may lead to other penalties, including failure of the course, or suspension or expulsion from the university.

On some homework exercises, you may be allowed to work in groups. Remember, however, that *group work on homework is allowed only if specifically announced in class.*

Email Correspondence: Often times the easiest way for you to communicate with me is by email. Please understand, however, that even though I teach Computer Science, I do not have a computer permanently attached to my body. Email sent to me during the evenings or on weekends is unlikely to receive an immediate reply.

Persons with Disabilities: If you have a disability for which you are or may be requesting an accommodation, you are encouraged to contact both your instructor and the Disability Services office (x4478) as soon as possible.

Title IX Federal Regulations: Under federal regulations, college professors are forced to report all information that they become aware of regarding sexual misconduct or crimes that may have occurred on the Truman campus. You may wish to speak with me confidentially about these types of incidents, but you should know that, under penalty of federal law, I am forbidden from keeping this type of information confidential. Students may speak to someone confidentially by contacting the University Counseling Services at 660-785-4014 during normal business hours, or 660-665-5621 for after-hours crises counseling.