

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
COURSE INFORMATION SHEET
September 13, 2010

1. **Course:** CPSC 231, Introduction to Computer Science for Computer Science Majors I

Lecture/Time/Session: L02, MWF 14:00-14:50, Fall 2010

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2. **Prerequisites:** None

3. The University policy on grading and related matters is described on pp. 40-47 of the 2010-2011 Calendar. In determining the overall grade in the course, the following weights will be used:

Assignments	30%
Tutorial Exercises	7%
In-class Exercises	3%
Midterm Exam	25%
<i>(Common Midterm Thursday October 28th, 2010 in ST 148 at 18:00)</i>	
Final Exam	35%

The course will have a Registrar's scheduled final examination.

Special regulations affecting the final grade (e.g. requirement to pass the final examination or to pass the laboratory to pass the course): Each of the above components will be given a letter grade using the official University grading system. The final grade will be calculated using the grade point equivalents weighted by the percentages given above and then reconverted to a final letter grade using the official University grade point equivalents. In order to obtain a final grade of C- or better, and to pass the class, a student must achieve a weighted average of C- or better on the midterm and final exams.

Academic misconduct (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under the heading "Student Misconduct" (page 48 for 2010-2011).

4. Missed Components of Term Work. The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are outlined on page 224, of the 2010-2011 Calendar. It is the student's responsibility to familiarize themselves with these regulations.

5. **Textbooks:**

(Required)

Course notes: <http://pages.cpsc.ucalgary.ca/~tamj/231>

(Recommended but not mandatory)

1) The Practice of Computing Using Python, Punch, Pearson Education

2) How to Think Like A Computer Scientist: Learning with Python

6. REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY OUT-OF-CLASS-TIME ACTIVITY. If you have a clash with an out-of-class-time activity, please inform your instructor at least one week in advance of the activity so that other arrangements may be made for you.
7. Students are expected to provide proof of identity at any examination or test conducted in this course and to sign a class list if required.
8. Optional course material, for which there might be a charge, may be made available during this course.
9. **Last Day to Drop a Class: September 24th, 2010**
Last Day to Add/Swap a Class: September 27th, 2010
Fee Payment Deadline: October 1st, 2010

Department Approval:

Date: ____/____/____

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