

ITE 210 Introduction to Programming**4 cr.****Catalog description:**

This course introduces a set of fundamental programming concepts and problem-solving techniques for the development of computer programs using a high level programming language. Topics such as problem specification, standard data types, control structures, methods, and design for reuse are presented through a study of specific example problems and solutions. Style, documentation, solution robustness, and conformance with specifications are emphasized throughout. Three lecture hours and three hours of scheduled laboratory per week.

Prerequisite(s):

ITE 105

Course Narrative

This is the first programming language course that introduces students to a high level programming language (as decided by the department). Students are first familiarized with the syntax of the language. One of the most important steps in programming is to correctly analyze a problem statement. This can be accomplished through simple programs and lab assignments initially.

After students are able to write simple programs, compile, and execute, they are introduced to the advanced concepts of the programming language for example, if the language of choice is Java, students are introduced to how objects are created and used. This accomplishes the objective of being able to apply the fundamentals of object-oriented design methodology, which is at the heart of Java and other object oriented programming languages. If the language of choice is some other language then the fundamentals related to that language are taught. Testing and debugging the programs is taught as the course proceeds. Students learn various programming structures like sequence, selection, and loop/repetition. Single and Multidimensional Arrays are also covered. Inheritance and Polymorphism are introduced.

Goals:

The purpose of this course is to develop students' understanding of a coherent set of tools and techniques for creating computer solutions to simple problems in data manipulation. Upon completion of the course, a student should be able to do the following:

- G1: analyze a problem statement for completeness and clarity;
- G2: use the methodology of object-oriented design to develop class diagrams (data descriptions and methods) for a problem solution;
- G3: convert this solution into source code in the designated high-level programming language in accordance with a well-defined set of style rules;
- G4: debug and test the program;
- G5: provide clear documentation for the result

Objectives:

Upon successful completion of the course, a student will have:

- O1: demonstrated knowledge of the syntax elements of an object-oriented programming language;
- O2: gained experience in analyzing problem statements for completeness and consistency;
- O3: practiced standard techniques of problem analysis;
- O4: applied the fundamentals of the language specific design methodology;
- O5: learned and utilized simple techniques for validation and verification of programs;
- O6: created full documentation for several completed projects.

Program Objective / Course Objective matrix (For ABET Accreditation Purposes)

(The following Matrix maps the Program Objectives for Information Technology Program outlined by Accreditation Board of Engineering Technology (ABET) with the Course Objectives. The check marks below the course objective represent that those course objectives accomplish specific program objectives set forth by ABET. The program objectives that have a * in front of them means that that course does not address those program objectives.)

Program Objective	O1	O2	O3	O4	O5	O6
PO-A: An ability to apply knowledge of computing and mathematics appropriate to the program's student outcomes and to the discipline.	✓			✓	✓	
PO-B: An ability to analyze a problem, and identify and define the computing requirements appropriate to its solution.		✓	✓		✓	✓
PO-C: An ability to design, implement, and evaluate a computer-based system, process, component, or program to meet desired needs.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
*PO-D: An ability to function effectively on teams to accomplish a common goal.						
*PO-E: An understanding of professional, ethical, legal, security and social issues and responsibilities.						
*PO-F: An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences.						
*PO-G: An ability to analyze the local and global impact of computing on individuals, organizations, and society.						
*PO-H: Recognition of the need for and an ability to engage in continuing professional development.						
PO-I: An ability to use current techniques, skills, and tools necessary for computing practice.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PO-J: An ability to use and apply current technical concepts and practices in the core information technologies.			✓	✓		
PO-K: An ability to identify and analyze user needs and take them into account in the selection, creation, evaluation and administration of computer-based systems.			✓	✓	✓	
*PO-L: An ability to effectively integrate IT-based solutions into the user environment.						

Program Objective	O1	O2	O3	O4	O5	O6
*PO-M: An understanding of best practices and standards and their application.						
*PO-N: An ability to assist in the creation of an effective project plan.						

Topics:

The column on the right hand side represents the Body of Knowledge and number of hours (in parenthesis) set forth by ABET accreditation board for accomplishing minimum required hours assigned for different categories. More information on this body of knowledge can be found in Appendix A “The IT Body of Knowledge” on Page 68 of the following document.

<http://www.acm.org//education/curricula/IT2008%20Curriculum.pdf>

The “problem-solving universe”

- operational definition of computer (specifically, electronic stored-program digital computer)
- components of a typical computer
- fundamental computer capabilities

Strategies and tools for problem solving

PF2(1.5), PF4(1)

- formulating precise specifications for a problem and its solution
- algorithms
- modular design of user requirements in measurable units
- preconditions and post-conditions
- specification of user requirements in measurable terms

- Programming languages and programming language paradigms
- Brief history and overview of the Java language
- Data types
 - basic data types: integer, real, character, Boolean
 - literals of each type

PF2(0.5)

IPT7(1)

PF1(2)

- Variables and constants
- Reference Types (including string and pre-defined wrapper classes)
- Console output
- Console input
- Object-centered problem analysis
- Object-centered design and implementation
- Introduction to UML

PF1(2)

PF1(1), PF2(2)

PF1(0.5)

PF1(0.5)

PF3(0.5), PF4(0.5)

PF3(1)

PF5(0.5)

- Classes
 - overview
 - attributes
 - methods
 - parameter and argument lists, return values, signatures
 - use of modular design in creating methods
 - visibility rules (scope, context)
 - objects (instances)
 - handles

PF3(0.5), PF2(4)

PF1(2)

PF3(0.5)

- Selection control structures
 - review of boolean expressions
 - single and double alternative structures
 - multiple-choice (switch) structure

PF1(2), PF2(0.5)

- Testing and verification SIA5(0.5)
- Debugging SIA5(0.5)
- Repetition control structures (loops) PF1(1), PL4(0.5)
 - *while* and *do while* structures
 - *for* structure
- Object-oriented program design techniques PF2(2), PF3(2.5),
 - objects as self-contained entities
 - objects as entities that act upon themselves
 - contrast to other design methodologies in which external agents act upon objects
 - programming for reusability
- Collections (conceptual discussion) PF2(0.5)
- Arrays of one dimension and multiple dimensions PF3(0.5), PF2(1)
 - syntax rules
 - static nature of arrays; physical vs. logical size of an array
 - common algorithms: PF4(1.5)
 - storing a value in an array
 - removing a value from an array
- Inheritance and Polymorphism PF4(1.5), PF5(3)

Student Experiences:

Programming assignments

Ten to twelve programming assignments are given. One or more of these may be group projects. Each programming assignment normally involves the design, writing, testing and debugging of a program and the submission of an appropriate laboratory report. Each assignment has a specific due date, with a short grace period during which the assignment may be submitted for reduced credit. When the grace period has expired, the assignment will no longer be accepted.

All programs must be coded in the programming language currently used for instruction in ITE 205. The version of the language being used will be the currently accepted standard version: any extensions or variations in student-owned compilers must be approved in advance by the instructor, who may choose to forbid their use.

Laboratory exercises

There will be short programming exercises to be completed during weekly scheduled laboratory sessions. Each exercise focuses on a specific language feature or programming technique presented in recent lectures. Performance on these exercises will be incorporated into the course grade.

Exams and quizzes

There will be two examinations, two shorter quizzes, and a comprehensive written two-hour final examination.

Final Grade

Final grade will be determined using the following grading weights.

Homework Assignments/ Lab Exercises/Quizzes	50%
Midterm Examination	25%
Final examination	25%

Student Experiences by Course Outcome (Objective) matrix:

	O1	O2	O3	O4	O5	O6
Test/Quiz Questions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Homework Programming		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Programming Projects	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lab Exercises	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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