



DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2015

CS 3010 – USER INTERFACES 3(3-0-2)

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OFFICE HOURS: TBA and by prior arranged appointment

PREREQUISITE(S)/CO-REQUISITE: CS 2010 is the prerequisite for this course.

TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Designing Interactive Systems by D. Benyon.

Introduction to Java Programming by D. Liang.

The Design of Everyday Things by D. Norman

Class notes

Please make good use of the on-line resources related to Human Computer Interfaces.

See the CS3010 MOODLE page for additional materials.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course is an introduction to the theory, design, and programming of modern user interfaces (GUI) for computers, game consoles and mobile devices; input and output devices (including game controllers).

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS: 3(3-0-2) This course is 3 credits. The course consists of 3 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week.

DELIVERY MODE(S): class-room.

When necessary, lab time will be utilized for lecturing on user interface programming. The remainder of lab time will generally be used as "hands-on" programming time. Student grades and course information (notes, assignments, announcements etc) will be posted on the GPRC MOODLE system (moodle.gprc.ab.ca).

TRANSFERABILITY:

UA*, UC, UL, AU. See the GPRC College Calendar and the Alberta Transfer Guide for detailed regarding the transferability of this course.

GRADING CRITERIA:

The following Grading Conversion chart will be used to convert final marks to letter grades.

**GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
GRADING CONVERSION CHART**

| Alpha Grade | 4-point Equivalent | Percentage Guidelines | Designation |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| A ⁺ | 4.0 | 90 – 100 | EXCELLENT |
| A | 4.0 | 85 – 89 | |
| A ⁻ | 3.7 | 80 – 84 | FIRST CLASS STANDING |
| B ⁺ | 3.3 | 77 – 79 | |
| B | 3.0 | 73 – 76 | GOOD |
| B ⁻ | 2.7 | 70 – 72 | |
| C ⁺ | 2.3 | 67 – 69 | SATISFACTORY |
| C | 2.0 | 63 – 66 | |
| C ⁻ | 1.7 | 60 – 62 | |
| D ⁺ | 1.3 | 55 – 59 | MINIMAL PASS |
| D | 1.0 | 50 – 54 | |
| F | 0.0 | 0 – 49 | FAIL |
| WF | 0.0 | 0 | FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline |

EVALUATIONS:

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| Assignments | 40% |
| Midterm Exam | 20% |
| Lab Exam | 10% |
| Final Exam | 30% |

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Assignments are to be handed in and/or demonstrated in the scheduled lab on the due-date. Late assignments will be penalized by 50%. Late assignments may not be accepted after the end of classes. Some

assignments may be weighted differently than others. Students will be eligible for a passing grade, only if they obtain 25 out of a possible 50 marks (on exams).

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/ Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

| | Topic |
|---|---------------------------|
| 1 | Introduction |
| 2 | HCI, UX, and IxD concepts |
| 3 | User Interface Devices |
| 4 | Windowing Systems |
| 5 | Midterm |
| 6 | User Interface Toolkits |
| 7 | Final Exam |

The topics above will be covered in a parallel fashion, rather than sequentially