

COMP1531



Other - Course Structure

Lecture 0.1

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Welcome to COMP1531. In this pre-term lecture we will quickly cover the structure of the course.

More information about COMP1531 will be at the start of week 1!

Our team is excited to work with you.

Assessment

Item	Weighting
Labs	10%
Group Project	60%
Exam	30%



Teaching Strategies

Lectures

Tutorials

Labs

Major Project

Help Sessions

Exam



Teaching Strategies

Lectures

- 2 x 2 hours per week
- Schedule listed [here](#), showing live stream links to Youtube (to watch them live).
- Slides for the lectures, and the recordings uploaded later, found on the [course work page](#).



Teaching Strategies

Tutorials

- Tutorial schedule and meeting links/locations can be found on the [timetable](#).
- Tutorial content can be found on the [course work page](#).
- Weeks 2-10 Tutorials attendance and participation indirectly contribute to your major project mark (see project spec).



Teaching Strategies

Labs

- Lab schedule and meeting links/locations can be found on the [timetable](#).
- Lab content can be found on the [course work page](#).
- Labs contribute 10% of your final grade
- Labs need to be submitted on the Monday the following week (e.g. week 1 lab due Monday week 2).
- Labs are completely automarked, though you can use your lab time with the lab assist to get help.



Teaching Strategies

Major Project

- You will work from Friday week 1 to Friday week 10 (9 weeks) on a major project.
- This project will be in groups of 4-5.
- Groups are formed prior to week 1 in response to a survey sent out by Hayden.
- The first iteration of this project will be released on Friday evening of week 1.
- Major project information will be posted [here](#).

Teaching Strategies

Help Sessions

- Help sessions are online "drop-in" sessions where you or your group can get further assistance outside of class time.
- Begin in week 2.
- Schedule listed [here](#).



Teaching Strategies

Help Sessions

- Help sections have been structured around predictions of when students need help - please be patient if variations in predictions occur.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
2	3	1	1	2	3	1	2
3	3	1	1	3	3	3	4
4	4	2	3	4	4	1	2
5	3	1	1	3	3	2	2
6	2	2	2	2	3	3	3
7	3	4	4	4	4	1	1
8	1	1	1	3	3	3	4
9	4	2	2	2	3	3	3
10	3	4	4	4	4	2	2



Teaching Strategies

Exam

- Final exam will be open book and online.
- There is no hurdle requirement.
- There are no mercy supps.
- Details about the final exam will be shared in the Webcms3 sidebar closer toward the end of teaching term.

Getting Help

If you need help throughout the course, seek it in this order:

- Step 0: Your team
- Step 1: EdStem forum (Webcms3 sidebar)
 - Look for answers before posting
 - You were invited "z5555555@unsw.edu.au"
- Step 3: Help Sessions
- Step 4: Emailing Tutor / Assistant Tutor
- Step 5: Lecturers cs1531@cse.unsw.edu.au



Getting Setup

Any operating system is fine for this course.

- CSE Machines ([VLab](#) / SSH): Ready to go!
- Linux: Follow getting started guided
- Mac OSX: Follow getting started guided
- Windows: Follow getting started guided

[Full instructions relating to the install can be found in our guide here](#)



Technology In The Course

The key technologies we use in the course are:

- [Webcms3](#) (our home!)
- [EdStem](#) (forum)
- [Gitlab](#) (where your work lives)
- [Microsoft teams](#) (for project communication and online class)

The key pieces of developer software we use are:

- `git` (GIT version control)
- `node` (Javascript - NodeJS)

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Feedback



Or go to the [form here](#).

