

CS 2420 Syllabus

Jared Wallace

Meeting time and place

Derrick Hall 236, Tuesday, at 11am

Course Information

Labs are designed to help you practice the concepts and topics discussed in the CS 2420 lectures.

Recommendations

Each lab assignment will be posted one or more weeks in advance. It is absolutely essential that you attend the lectures and study the material to be covered before each lab. Do not count on a review or lecture before the lab.

The lab schedule and files will be available on my website, <https://www.jared-wallace.com>. I will also post helpful links there. The calendar on the site will have holidays and other academic events noted (like final day to drop, etc)

Grading

Your lab grade will come entirely from the lab reports you submit. Specific breakdown is as follows:

Pre-lab

All pre-labs, with the exception of lab 6 (worth 30 points), are worth 10 points and should be completed prior to the start of lab. I will be checking for completion 5 minutes after the start of class.

Report Content

- Abstract - 5 points
- Introduction - 10 points
- Experimental Methods - 20 points
- Results - 20 points
- Conclusion - 15 points

Format

- IEEE heading - 5 points
- Double columns - 5 points
- Heading for each section - 10 points

To receive full credit for an experiment you must complete all necessary parts, followed by writing a formal lab report. The lab report must detail the steps you took to complete the experiment, as well as the results that were found. These lab reports must be written in traditional IEEE format (a sample report is on the website). Ask me prior to submission if you have any question as to whether you are using the correct format. **Lab reports are due at the beginning of the next week's lab session.**

The lab component is only part of your 2420 grade. (25 percent to be precise) If you have an issue with a grade, or wish to see your grades for the semester so far, please see me during office hours. If you have PGP setup on your mail client, I can also email them to you. **I will not discuss grades during class.**

Drop Policy

Be sure to refer to your lecture professor's specific drop policy if you have any questions. Understand that I only report your lab performance to your professor; the grade you receive for this course will be assigned by them. I recommend that you discuss your options individually with your professor before dropping this course. Should you decide to drop, make sure you drop both the lecture and lab components.

Attendance

Attendance is required, and students must attend the lab section they are registered for. However, you may miss one lab without penalty, by completing the lab on your own time and submitting the report on the usual day. Subsequent absences will result in me not accepting your report, and a zero grade recorded for that lab.

Academic Integrity

Each student is expected to do his/her own work on individual assignments (these include all quizzes and the lab final exam). All students will be expected to follow the University's Academic Integrity Policy. Any requirement that your professor expects of his/her students with regards to academic honesty and integrity will also be in place in the lab class. Please be sure to familiarize yourself with this policy, and do not hesitate to ask your professor or myself if you have any questions.

Students with Disabilities

I will make every effort to comply with university's policy regarding making accommodations for students with learning disabilities. If you are a student with a disability who will require an accommodation(s) to participate in this course, please contact me within the first two weeks of the semester. You will be asked to provide documentation from the Office of Disability Services. Failure to contact me in a timely manner may delay your accommodations.

Contact Information

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