Department: Computer Science and Mathematics

Course Code & Name	**CSC611 Design and Analysis of Algorithms**
Class Time and Location	Tuesday: 5pm – 7:29pm
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Credits Hours	3
Semester	Fall 2020

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CURRENT CATALOG DESCRIPTION
Time & space complexity of algorithms. Models of computation, techniques for efficient algorithm design, effect of data structure choice on efficiency of an algorithm. Divide & conquer techniques, greedy methods, dynamic programming, amortized analysis, graph & network algorithms, NP-completeness. Selected advanced algorithms.

PRE- OR CO-REQUISITE
CSC 310 Algorithms and Data Structures

COURSE TYPE
Required   ☒   Major's **E**lective   ☐   General Elective   ☐

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES
1. Dynamic programming
2. Greedy algorithms
3. Graph algorithms
4. Polynomial-time problem reduction
5. Basic computational complexity theory
6. Approximation algorithms
7. Exact and Parameterized algorithms for hard problems

TEXTBOOK
Cormen et al. Introduction to Algorithms, 3rd Ed., MIT Press, 2010.

TOPICS COVERED IN THE COURSE
- Mathematical foundations for algorithmic analysis
- Dynamic Programming and Greedy Algorithms
- Graphs and graph traversal
- Graphs algorithms
- Recursive backtracking
- Integer & Linear Programming
- Approximation Algorithms
- Selected advanced topic

TEACHING/LEARNING METHOD
- Lectures
- HW
- Research projects
- Exams

COURSE GRADING AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

HW/participation:	10%
Midterm:	30%
Final:	35%
Project:	25%

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT - ACADEMIC VIOLATIONS

The following table defines the sanction(s) associated with each violation. In some cases and when the violation is too general, a range of sanctions is set for the pertinent committee to choose from depending on the specifics of each case. As for the second offense, the set sanctions apply regardless whether the violation has taken place in the same course or a different one, within the same semester or not.

Code #	Violation	First Offense	Second Offense
Cheating			
2.2.1	Using material or equipment (including mobile phones, electronic tablets, i-pads, calculators, and other devices) that is not authorized by the instructor in an examination, project, or graded assignment	zero on the deliverable with a warning	F on the course with a warning
2.2.2	Cheating, copying, collaborating with or aiding another Student in a manner not permitted by the instructor on an examination, project, or other graded assignment	zero on the deliverable with a warning	suspension
2.2.3	Distributing or aiding in the distribution of previous exams without authorization of the instructor	double warning – suspension	suspension – expulsion
2.2.4	Stealing, reproducing, or circulating an examination or other graded assignment before it has been administered	suspension	expulsion
2.2.5	Impersonating another Student or allowing another Student to impersonate one's self during an examination, presentation, or other graded assignment	suspension for both	expulsion
2.2.6	Impersonating an assistant, staff member, or faculty member for the purpose of (a) proctoring examinations without authorization or permission or (b) obtaining confidential information regarding coursework or examinations	suspension – expulsion	expulsion
2.2.7	Receiving, purchasing or selling a project, paper, or any academic document and presenting it as work other than that of the author	suspension – expulsion	expulsion
2.2.8	Submitting identical papers or coursework for credit in more than one class without the permission of the instructor	zero on the deliverable with a warning	F on the course with a warning
Plagiarism and Copyright Violations			
2.2.9	Failing to attribute language or ideas to their original source by not crediting the original author with an appropriate acknowledgement or citation	zero on the deliverable with a warning	F on the course with a warning
2.2.10	Using photocopied or electronic copies of textbooks, compact disks, films, music, online course materials, and other content beyond the fair use policy within University Premises	warning	double warning
2.2.11	Using copyrighted materials, including in written research reports and papers, without obtaining required permission, if any, from the rights holder	warning	double warning
Unauthorized Sale, Distribution, or Use of Course Materials			
2.2.12	Recording any lecture or presentation for personal use or public distribution without the prior consent of the course	warning	double warning

Code #	Violation	First Offense	Second Offense
	instructor. This applies to the unauthorized use of any medium including but not limited to mobile phones, electronic tablets, i-pads recorders, films, and other devices		
2.2.13	Selling academic materials by any Student, club, or group. This includes but is not limited to lectures, course recordings, class notes, and previous exams	warning	double warning

UNIVERSITY ATTENDANCE POLICY

1. Students are expected to attend all classes.
2. For valid reasons, students may miss classes for a maximum that is equivalent to two regular weeks.
3. When exceeding the maximum number of absences, it is the instructor's prerogative to ask the concerned student to stop attending and drop the course. In this case, it is the student's responsibility to drop the course, otherwise a grade of "F" or "NP" will be given.
4. In exceptional justified cases (long illness, etc…), where absences exceed the maximum, the student has to petition to the department Chair to be allowed to stay in the course.
5. Students are held responsible for all the material presented in the classroom, even during their absence.

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

WI is equivalent to Early Withdrawal

WP is equivalent to Withdrawal/Pass

WF is equivalent to Withdrawal/Fail

1. A student who withdraws after the Drop/Add period and by the end of the 5th week of classes (10th day of classes for Summer Modules) will obtain a "WI" on that particular course.

The student may process such request directly through the Registrar's Office.

2. A student who withdraws from a course between the 6th week and the end of the 10th week of classes (18th day of classes for Summer Modules) will receive either a "WP" or a "WF". "WP" or "WF" will be determined by the instructor based on the achieved academic performance in that course till the time of withdrawal.

3. The "WI" and the "WP" will not count as a Repeat; whereas the "WF" will count as a Repeat.

4. "WI", "WP" and "WF" will not count towards the GPA calculation.

Deadline for the "WP" and "WF" withdrawal from courses: check university calendar (It is the student's responsibility to drop the course)

COURSE ONLINE EVALUATIONS

In order to improve the effectiveness of the educational process, all students are expected to submit their course evaluations by the last day of classes.
Students who fail to complete the evaluation of ALL registered courses by the set deadline:
1. will not be able to access their course grades from Banner or Portal until two weeks after the end of the final exams period; and
2. will not be able to request transcripts.
The anonymity of the process and the students will be maintained at all times.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Study daily and come to class prepared.
- Make sure you solve all the lab problems during or after each lab.
- Consistent attentive attendance is key to success in this course.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COURSE OUTCOMES AND PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Students shall be able to apply their computational and mathematical knowledge in order to solve computational problems.
- Students shall develop the ability to analyze a problem, identify, define, and verify the computing requirements appropriate to its solution.
- Students shall learn to work effectively and interactively in teams in order to accomplish a common goal.
- Students shall develop the ability to apply mathematical foundations, algorithmic principles, and computer science theory in the modeling and design of computer-based systems in a way that demonstrates comprehension of the tradeoffs involved in design choices.