

CIS 115 - Introduction to Computing Science

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Abridged Syllabus

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Grading

Team Assignments

10% - Wiki Article*

10% - Topic Research*

10% - Video Project*

* Team projects include +/- 50% peer review.

* 10% of grade depends on turning in review.

Individual Assignments

14% - Programming Assignments

(2% each, 7 total) (drop 1 lowest)

4% - Final Programming Assignment

28% - Class Attendance and Participation

(1% each) (drop 2 lowest)

24% - Online Blog (2% each) (drop 2 lowest)

Late Work

Late work will receive penalty of 10% of the possible points for each day it is late. Missed work cannot be made up except under extenuating circumstances.

Required Texts

- "The Pattern on the Stone: The Simple Ideas that Make Computers Work" by W. Daniel Hillis.
ISBN 046502596X - <http://www.amazon.com/dp/046502596X/> Kindle edition available
- "Tubes: A Journey to the Center of the Internet" by Andrew Blum.
ISBN 0061994952 - http://www.amazon.com/dp/0061994952 Kindle edition available

Software - Scratch 2.0: <http://scratch.mit.edu> - Available online, requires Adobe Flash

Academic Honesty - The honor system website can be reached at: <http://www.ksu.edu/honor>.

Getting Help

- Review the course materials posted on K-State Canvas and the course website
- Ask your teammates for help or advice on assignments or projects
- Send assignment questions to your teaching assistant (TA) or instructor via email
- Visit your instructor's office hours, or the office hours for your TA if available
- Schedule a one-on-one meeting with your instructor