



Course Name: Principles of Web Development
COMP 307 – Fall 2017

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Credits: 2 credits

Motivation: Developing the front and back end of web sites, together with comprehending the various paradigms, theories and current technologies involved in web development is an important and relevant skill to have for students graduating from computer science and planning to work as programmers.

Course Objectives: Students wanting to work as web site developers will need to understand the concepts behind server-side execution, client-side execution, security, language paradigms, distributed processing, interpreters, deployment methods, web frameworks, the architecture of the Internet, and some of the latest techniques and technologies. This would include common practises and common programming languages.

Primary learning outcome: To get a clear understanding of the major principles & algorithms that underlie web development and receive practical hands-on experience through a project.

Secondary learning outcomes: After taking this course, the student should be able to: (1) identify the core technologies in web development and how they are architect-ed, (2) explain the paradigms and principles on which the core functions are built on, (3) be able to discuss major performance issues (data storage and run-time load), and (4) discuss the web technologies and techniques required for a particular target application.

Course Description: The course discusses the major principles, algorithms, languages and technologies that underlie web development. Students receive practical hands-on experience through a project.

Primary Text: Internet & World Wide Web: How to Program; Pearson; ISBN 978-0-13-215100-9

Additional Text: Software Systems; Kendall hunt; ISBN 978-0-7575-9514-1

Evaluation:	Project	30%	Teams of 3 (last month and a half)
	Mini Assignments	20%	7 submissions (first two months)
	Presentation	10%	
	Final Exam	40%	During the formal exam period

Late work: You will be notified in advance of assignment due dates. All assignments are due on My Courses at the indicated time and date. Late assignments will lose 5% of its grade per day late. Assignments beyond 2 days late will not be accepted. You may not submit assignments via e-mail without the permission of the instructor.

Additional Work: Students with grades of D, F or J will not be given the opportunity to complete additional work to upgrade their grade.

Supplemental Exam: There will be no supplemental exam for this course.

Re-grading: Mistakes can occur when grading. Not surprisingly, requests for re-grading always involve those mistakes in which the student received fewer points than they deserved, rather than more points than they deserved. With that in mind: if you wish me to re-grade a question

on an exam or assignment, I will do so. I reserve the right to re-grade other questions as well.

Cheating/Collaboration: Collaboration is encouraged but your discussions should be public in the sense that anyone including the professor should be allowed to listen in. Assignments are original works created by the student alone. You are permitted and encouraged to have conversations with other students concerning the contents of the assignments and how to do them, but your work must be original. If two or more assignments are found to be identical (or portions of assignments) then all parties will lose points. This includes the student who permitted their assignment to be copied. This includes written solutions and software source code.

Grading: All software solutions must compile with zero errors and must run to be graded. It does not need to run correctly for grading but it must run. If your program compiles with errors or does not run at all then you will receive zero points. The grader will not fix your code or look at the source code to give you partial grades.

Communication

Email: This is the best medium for private and important communication. I reply to email within 24 hours.

Facebook: This course has a Facebook group. It is my preferred way to communicate with the class. I try to reply promptly, and I am often available at “all” hours. I often reply to Facebook group and private messages quickly.

Appointments: Please feel free to come to my office at any time. If I am busy I will set a time to meet you later. Even better, email or Facebook message me for an appointment.

Office Hours: I have posted office hours. Students can come to those times without appointment.

After lecture: Some optional time will be available just after class to ask questions. I do not guarantee the length of this time since other constraints may interfere.

Course Prerequisite: COMP-206

Course Co-Requisite: COMP-303

Tentative Course Schedule

WEEK	LECTURE	DESCRIPTION	WORK
1	1	Introduction to COMP 307 & History of the Internet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • XAMPP stack, MEAN stack, Python-django stack • Background, Front-end, Back-end stacks 	Course outline Prerequisites Readings: 206 notes Readings: Chapter 1
Unit 1 - The Web Landscape			
	2	Networks and Packets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic network architecture & components • The end-to-end & hop-to-hop protocols (awareness) • Packets 	Wireshark demo Network topology Mini 1 – Wireshark
2	3	Client Server Technology & Software Stacks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Client-side (front end) Browser-based vs Stand-alone • Server-side (back end) Network vs Internet server • About software stacks 	Apache, XAMP, LAMP, MEAN, Python Readings: chapter 17.1 to 17.3 (only)
	4	Security Issues 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do we know someone is logged in? • Session data and web basics • Man-in-the middle attacks • The handshake protocol • Password sharing protocol 	www.cryptool.org Wikipedia: Cryptography Apache – redirection, locked folders Mini 2 – Cryptography
3	5	Security Issues 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encryption: simple, blocked, hash, dual key • The Public Key Infrastructure (basic) • Firewalls (if time permits) 	Wikipedia: PKI or Public Key Infrastructure Firewall permission lists, IP address filtering
Unit 2 - Frontend Development (Client-side programming)			
	6	The Front-End Landscape <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The browser interpreter (working locally) • Browser support: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Flash, Applet • How to program in: HTML & HTML5 	Notepad++, Browser inspect features Readings: chapter 2-5 Mini 3 – HTML & CSS
4	7	How to program in CSS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front-end Framework: Bootstrap 	Readings: chapters 2-5
	8	How to program: JavaScript fundamentals, the DOM, & Events	Imbedding JavaScript Readings: chapters 6-13 Mini 4 – JavaScript
5	9	How to program: HTML5 Canvas & JavaScript	Graphics Readings: chapter 14
	10	Standalone-based Development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • socket programming, • desktop applications that use this. 	Readings: chapter 29 Mini 5 – Canvas
Unit 3 - Inter-Process Communication			
6	11	About REST communication (backbone of Internet) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Client-to server-to OS communication • Web directory, CGI-BIN, • CGI <form tag> and strings 	<form> tag & data passing in C

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOCS web servers, Apache local host 	
	12	Formatting CGI using XML and JSON: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> XML as a database-like or configuration-file-like technology. JSON as an object-state or data-structure technology. 	Readings: chapter 15,16.6 Mini 6 – Web & Data
7	13	Asynchronous programming: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to program using AJAX REST vs. PUSH and PULL 	Readings: chapter 16 The project description
Unit 4 - Backend Development (Server-side programming)			
	14	Web servers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Server types: XAMP, MEAN, DJANGO Focus on XAMP server features (overview) Apache server security settings (overview) Directory structures and file permissions. 	Server stacks Reading: chapter 17-18 Mini 7 – Web Server
8	15	Databases (MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CSV database XAMP SQL interface and language basics 	SQL PROJECT START
	16	How to program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHP fundamentals PHP file and database programming 	PHP Readings: chapter 18
9	17	Model-view-controller & Web Frameworks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transaction-based computing PHP and Slim 	SLIM
	18	Other Web Stacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MEAN (JavaScript based) DJANGO (Python based) 	MEAN DJANGO
Unit 5 - New Technologies			
10	19	PUSH and PULL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automatic computing model Notification servers 	
	20	About programming in Angular JS 1 or 2 and React	
Unit 6 - Student Presentations			
11	21	Student presentations	Overview of your website New tech description Your website deployment Your website architecture Your website security Demo of your website Q & A
	22	Student presentations	
12	23	Student presentations	
	24	Student presentations	
13	25	Student presentations & Project Submission + Demo	
	26	Student presentations & Project Submission + Demo	

Right to submit in English or French written work that is to be graded

In accord with McGill University's Charter of Students' Rights, students in this course have the right to submit in English or in French any written work that is to be graded.

Classroom Rules: All electronic devices (cell phones and beepers) must be turned off or left on silent mode during class time.

Assignments Pickup: All assignments are submitted to and picked-up from My Courses.

Computing Resources: Trottier 3rd floor.

Examinations and Grading:

Students are responsible for all materials for the tests and exams, whether or not it is covered in class. Exams will be a combination of all types of questions based on all sources, and students may be required to integrate theoretical concepts from the text to substantiate their arguments.

No make-up tests or make-up assignments are allowed in this course.

If you are not satisfied with the grading of an assignment or mid-term test, you may request a review within 7 days of return. Indicate in writing or during a meeting with the instructor where and why you feel the marks are unjustified and give it back to your instructor for re-grading. Note that the entire assignment or mid-term test will be re-graded and your grade can go up or down (or stay the same) accordingly.

Calculators

Only non-programmable, no-tape, noiseless calculators are permitted. Calculators capable of storing text are not permitted in tests and examinations.

Dictionaries

Dictionaries are not permitted, but translation dictionaries are.

Handheld Devices

Handheld devices capable of storing text and having calculator functionality (e.g. Palm, etc.) are not permitted.

Additional Information:

The course slides are not meant as a complete set of notes or a substitute for a textbook, but simply constitute the focus of the lecture. Important gaps are left in the slides that are filled in during class, thus lecture attendance should be considered essential.

The material covered in the classroom will be used to supplement textbook readings.

Academic Integrity: *Code of Student Conduct*

McGill University values academic integrity. Therefore all students must understand the meaning and consequences of cheating, plagiarism and other academic offences under the Code of Student Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures (see www.mcgill.ca/integrity for more information).

L'université McGill attache une haute importance à l'honnêteté académique. Il incombe par conséquent à tous les étudiants de comprendre ce que l'on entend par tricherie, plagiat et autres infractions académiques, ainsi que les conséquences que peuvent avoir de telles actions, selon le Code de conduite de l'étudiant et des

procédures disciplinaires (pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez consulter le site www.mcgill.ca/integrity).

Final Exam Policy:*Regulations*

Students should not make other commitments during the final exam period. Vacation plans do not constitute valid grounds for the deferral or the rescheduling of examinations. See the Centre Calendar for the regulations governing Examinations:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/student-records/exams/regulations/>

Students are required to present their I.D. Card (with photo) for entrance to their examination.

Conflicts

If you are unable to write your final examination due to scheduling conflicts, you must submit a Final Exam Conflict Form with supporting documentation at least **one month** before the start of the final examination period. Late submissions will not be accepted. For details, see

<http://www.mcgill.ca/student-records/exams/conflicts/>

Exam Timetable

Examination schedules are posted at the Centre and on the following page approximately 6-8 weeks before the examination period commences

<http://www.mcgill.ca/student-records/exams/>

The Centre cannot provide examination dates over the telephone.

Email Policy:

E-mail is one of the official means of communication between McGill University and its students. As with all official University communications, it is the student's responsibility to ensure that time-critical e-mail is accessed, read, and acted upon in a timely fashion. If a student chooses to forward University e-mail to another e-mail mailbox, it is that student's responsibility to ensure that the alternate account is viable.

Please note that to protect the privacy of the students, the University will only reply to the students on their McGill e-mail account.

Students Rights and Responsibilities:

Regulations and policies governing students at McGill University can be downloaded from the website:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/deanofstudents/rights/>

Students Services and Resources:

Various services and resources, such as email access, walksafe, library access, etc., are available to students:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/student-records>

Minerva for Students: <http://www.mcgill.ca/minerva-students/>

Note: In the event of extraordinary circumstances beyond the University's control, the content and/or evaluation scheme in this course is subject to change.