Registration

The only way to add CS302 or to change sections is through the touch-tone system.
Changing sections currently must be done by dropping the course and then adding the new section. This may result in losing your registration in the course.

Auditing is not allowed for CS302, but you may sit in the course with your instructor’s approval.

Pass/Fail is allowed by some departments. See your academic advisor.

Course Difficulty

CS302 can be a very challenging course.
Don’t be misled by the course name, Introduction to Programming. Consider CS302 to be like a 300 level math course. The course requires students to have strong problem solving skills and to take considerable time outside of class.

Course Format

Large Lecture

Lectures 1 and 2 are a large lecture format (~150 students each).
There are 150 minutes of lecture and 50 minutes of discussion per week. A single curve is used to grade students in lectures 1 and 2.

Small Lecture

Lectures 3 through 20 are a small lecture format (~25 students each) and are intended for CS majors and engineers.
There are 150 minutes of lecture per week. These lectures are taught at a faster pace, and optional material is covered. Each TA has a separate grading curve composed only of the students in her or his section(s).

Either format prepares students for the next programming course, CS367.

Course Work

Lessons (0%) Lessons focus on specific concepts and contain programming as well as written parts.
Lessons are not graded but are to be submitted for review to ensure you are making satisfactory progress in the course.

Assignments (25%) Assignments are comprehensive projects that require substantial time and effort.
No late work is accepted for a grade. Extensions are given for circumstances, such as illness, when we are notified well in advance of the due date. Students are also responsible for verifying that they have correctly turned in their work (we’ll show you how).

Collaboration Collaboration on lessons and assignments is allowed but you are forewarned that collaboration may cause you to do poorly in the class. The lessons and assignments are intended to give you the practice and experience necessary to understand the course material. We will expect that you have done your own work, and we will be testing your knowledge of the lessons and the assignments on the exams.

Exams (75%) Makeups for exams are only given for verifiable emergencies. Clear your schedules now:

Midterm Exam (25%): Tuesday, February 20, 7:15 - 9:15 PM (+30 minutes)
Midterm Exam (25%): Tuesday, March 27, 7:15 - 9:15 PM (+30 minutes)
Final Exam (25%): Tuesday, May 15, 10:05 AM - 12:05 PM
Reminders

• CS302 can be a very challenging course. Plan on having time in your schedule to do a substantial amount of work outside of class.
• Notify us within the first two weeks of classes if religious observances may interfere with course requirements.
• Notify us as soon as you become ill if you want to request an extension.
• No late work is accepted for a grade.
• You are responsible for all course material:
  * Attend lectures.
  * Stay up-to-date on assigned readings.
  * Check course web pages routinely.
  * Check your CS email routinely (this isn’t student.wisc.edu account).

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