

# COSC1436 Syllabus

## South Plains College – Fall 2017

**Time:** section 001: 1:00-3:30 MW

**Course Title:** Programming Fundamentals 1

**Course Purpose:** This course is the first course in procedural programming and software engineering for computer science and engineering majors. The language used is C++. Emphasis is on the fundamentals of structured design, development, testing, implementation, and documentation.

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Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
9:00-9:30	9:00-9:30 2:15-3:45	9:00-9:30	9:00-9:30 2:15-3:45	9:00-12:00

**Required Textbook:** Starting Out with C++: From Control Structures through Objects, 9th Edition, Tony Gaddis. Pearson, 2018. ISBN 978-0-13-449837-9.

**Required Supplies:** Microsoft Visual C++ Community 2015 is installed on our lab computers. You may install this software on a home computer for no charge. Be sure to register (for free) so it doesn't expire in 30 days. Install download from:  
<http://www.microsoft.com/visualstudio/eng/downloads>

You will need a **USB flash drive** to store your projects. You must bring this drive to class every day. It is recommended that you back up your files on this drive to a home computer or other media. You can purchase a USB drive for around \$10 with at least 32GB storage capacity. You will be able to use this drive for future classes as well.

We will use TutorialsPoint CodeLab online software for lab assignments. Access to this web site must be purchased for \$25: <http://www.tutorialspoint.com/go.html>

**Attendance Policy:** Attendance AND completing assignments are imperative for success in this course. If you are absent, you are still responsible for the assignment for the next class; **you are expected to access Blackboard for current assignments and test dates**. Please read the "Class Attendance" and "Drops and Withdrawals" policies in the current catalog. If you have more than 4 absences, you must ask my permission to be reinstated in the class. If you have excessive absences, you are responsible for initiating your own drop if you expect a W for a grade instead of an F. The last day to drop is November 16, 2017.

**Academic Conduct:** You may discuss the lab and programming assignments with your classmates, but you must code, debug, and execute the projects on your own. Copying of another student's work or allowing your work to be copied is considered plagiarism and a failing grade for that assignment will be given *to all parties involved*.

Cell phones **MUST** be turned off and put away during class and testing periods. Calculators are not allowed during exams.

**Assignment Policy:** Current assignments and due dates will be published on Blackboard. Students are expected to read the current chapter before coming to class. Short quizzes may be announced or unannounced. No makeup quizzes will be given - an absence equals a zero quiz grade! During the scheduled lab, there will be lab exercises to complete and programming problems to start. (Programming problems will be finished on your own time). All assignments will be given a Due Date which will be published on Blackboard.

Lab exercises must be turned in by the due date; no late assignments will be accepted. Programming problems will be accepted up to one week late, but late points will be subtracted after the actual due date. **Lab attendance is required and students are expected to stay for the full lab time.** An individual who does not use allotted class time or lab time to work on the current assignment will waive its due date in favor of 9:00am the next day. There will be a tutor available for this class. The schedule for open lab hours and tutoring times in M125 will be posted outside the door and on Blackboard.

**Grading Policy:** There will be 3 major exams and a comprehensive final. No student will be exempt from the final. Your lab grade will be calculated from quiz grades, lab exercises, and programming assignments. Your final grade will be computed as follows:

Major Exams (3):	50%
Final Exam	20%
Lab Grade:	30%

If you miss an exam, it is your responsibility to contact me as soon as possible using email or voicemail. If permission is granted for a makeup exam, I will want it to be taken before the next class meeting. Missing an exam is a serious matter and it is up to the student to take the proper action, otherwise a zero will be recorded for that exam.

### Course Objectives:

- To develop the ability to correctly analyze a variety of problems and generate appropriate algorithmic solutions.
- To instill the principles of top-down, structured design when using the procedural programming paradigm.
- To understand the basics of computer hardware and the steps of software development.
- To understand how computers represent and store data.
- To produce programs which use conditional execution structures, iteration structures, and functions.
- To produce programs which use appropriate data types: simple variables, structs, arrays, strings, and multidimensional arrays.
- To explore the syntax and usage of the C++ programming language as a means of accomplishing the above objectives.

Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland (Student Health & Wellness Office) 806-716-2577, Reese Center (Building 8) & Lubbock Center 806-716-4675, or Plainview Center (Main Office) 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611.

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**Campus Concealed Carry** - Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to the SPC policy at: [http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human\\_resources/policy\\_procedure/hhc.php](http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human_resources/policy_procedure/hhc.php).

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# COSC1436 Fall 2017 Course Outline

*This proposed schedule may change as the semester progresses! Always refer to Blackboard for exact dates.*

<b>Week</b> Start date	<b>Topics</b>
<b>1</b> Aug 28	Chapter 1 Intro to Computers and Programming Chapter 2 Intro to C++
<b>2</b> Sep 4	<i>Mon 9/4 Labor Day Holiday</i> Chapter 2 Data Types and Arithmetic Operators
<b>3</b> Sep 11	Chapter 3 Input, Mathematical Expressions, Type Casting, and Assignment Chapter 3 Formatting Output
<b>4</b> Sep 18	Chapter 3 Library Function Calls <b>Exam 1</b>
<b>5</b> Sep 25	Chapter 4 Conditions, Logical Expressions Chapter 4 If statements
<b>6</b> Oct 2	Chapter 4 Nested If statements Chapter 4 Switch statements
<b>7</b> Oct 9	Chapter 5 Looping Chapter 5 Nested Logic and Looping
<b>8</b> Oct 16	Chapter 5 finish iteration and file input and output <b>Exam 2</b>
<b>9</b> Oct 23	Chapter 6 Functions
<b>10</b> Oct 30	Chapter 6 Functions and Parameters Chapter 6 Scope and Lifetime, Value-returning functions, Random number generator
<b>11</b> Nov 6	Chapter 7 Arrays: One-dimensional arrays
<b>12</b> Nov 13	Chapter 7 Passing arrays as parameters <b>Exam 3</b> <i>Thurs 11/16 Last Drop Day</i>
<b>13</b> Nov 20	Chapter 8 Sorting algorithms for arrays <i>Thanksgiving Holidays 11/22-11/24</i>
<b>14</b> Nov 27	Chapter 8 Searching algorithms for arrays Chapter 8 Two-Dimensional arrays, three or more dimensions, vectors
<b>15</b> Dec 4	Chapter 11 Structured Data
<b>16</b> Dec 11	<b>Final Exam:</b> Mon 12/11 1:00-3:00