

# Welcome to CS 8! 

Introduction to Computer Science!


## Enrollment: 113/105



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Schedule for all lab and office hours: https://ucsb-cs8.github.io/w19mirza/info/lab_office hours/


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## About you ...

What is your major?
A. Computer Science or Computer Engineering
B. Engineering (Chemical, Mechanical, Electrical...)
C. Math, Stats or Actuarial Science
D. Other

## About you ...

What is your familiarity/confidence with programming in Python?
A. Know nothing or almost nothing about it.
B. Used it a little, beginner level.
C. Some expertise, lots of gaps though.
D. Lots of expertise, a few gaps.
E. Know too much; I have no life.

This course: Intro to CS!

What does the term Computer Science mean to you?

- Programming + Prograin Languages


## CS ! = programming

programming : CS ::

## "not equal to"

## CS != programming

programming : CS ::

surfing : Santa Barbara<br>machining : engineering<br>grammar : literature

equations : mathematics

a vehicle, not a destination

## CS == computing science

Computer Science is...
The science of solving problems using abstractions \& algorithms (and computers)!

## $\downarrow$

recipes for
"equal to"
hider details
Solving problems

## Expect it to be...

Thrilling!
And..


## Expect it to be...

Thrilling! And...


The most frustrating thing you've ever done...
.... computers just follow instructions

## But, there is no magic



- You can understand everything. Really.
- NEVER guess.


## How relevant do you think this class is to you?

A. Not at all
B. Somewhat
C. Very relevant
D. I don't really know, I am taking it because my major requires it

Other points of view:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zwwzrynqv_o

## Course Logistics

## Graded Components

- Midterm (2): 30\%
- Final : 30 \%
- Home works : 10\%
- Labs : 30\%
- Project(1): 2\% EC

Refer to the course calendar for all due dates:
https://ucsb-cs8.github.io/w19-mirza/info/calendar/

## Resources

Course Web Site:

https://ucsb-cs8.github.io/w19-mirza/

- Textbook: "Introduction to Computing Using Python" by Ljubomir Perkovic, $2^{\text {nd }}$ edition
- Iclickers: Purchase at the bookstore
- Piazza (online discussion forum)
- Gradescope: Site for graded assignments (labs, homeworks, exams)
- Open labs and office hours: This is the best place to get help


## Tomorrow's lab

## YOU HAVE A LAB TOMORROW in Phelps 3525!

- Complete ic00
- Bring the finished hard-copy with you to lab TOMORROW!
- Read the lab assignment (lab00) before you go into your lab: BE PREPARED
- Remember to log out of the lab computers after you are done, otherwise you won't be able to log back in.


## Hello Unix!

- Unix is an operating system (just like Windows/Mac)
- The Lab (CSIL) computers use a flavor of Unix
- Today:
- Learn to work with some basic applications: terminal, IDLE
- Unix file system and how to navigate it


## Hello Python!

- We'll write a simple program in Python to learn:
- IDLE: The Python programming environment
- How to use the Python shell in IDLE
- How to create and save programs in files in IDLE


## Python Objects

- Every piece of data in Python is an object
- Think of an object as a generic container to store data on a computer's memory
- Every object has a type and value
- e.g. $x=3$ creates an object of type int and value 3


## Python Data Types

## Name

## Example

float
3.14

42

## What is it?

values with a fractional part
integers <= 2147483647

Sequence of characters

## bool

Hey - someone
can't spelle!
True
False
"Boolean value"
the results from a comparison:
$==,!=,<,>,<=,>=$

## Finding the type ....

But you can change its type... implicitly (ie. last slide) or explicitly through casting

```
>>> type( 4.2 ) float >>> int( 4.2 )
>>> type(Frue) bool >>> float( true)
>>> type(4)
int
>>> float(4) / 5
>>> type("Rabbit"l) str
>>> str( 42 )
>>> type ("42") str.
>>> int ("42")
```




## What does this code do?

$$
\gg x=41
$$

(A) Sets the value of $x$ to 41
B. Checks if $x$ is equal to 41
C. What is the different anyway?

the "equals" operators


This is true - but what is it saying!?
Assignment is nor equal to equality!

## the "equals" operators

## SET equals <br> isn't equal to <br> IS equals

I want $===$ !
= names data
>> $x=41$
During an assignment, the expression on then Might of the $=$ operates is evaluated firs the valuable

Menes
Biden, Baden, Kaden...?
Ava, Abigail,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { خ) } y=x \\
& \text { 》) } x==y
\end{aligned}
$$

True
) $2=x==y$
)> $2=x=\begin{aligned} & \text { Can't do this! } \\ & \text { Minor }\end{aligned}$
Err
$x$ and $y$ are called "variables"
Don't confuse them with variables from math In Python, variables store data

## Inside the machine...

What's happening in python:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x=41 \\
& y=x+1
\end{aligned}
$$

## assignment, not equality!

$=$ is an ACTIVE, DIRECTIONAL operator. It means:
"First calculate the value on the right hand side, and then put it into the box labeled with the name from the left hand side (replacing what was there, if necessary)."

It does not test for equality (that's ==).
$\gg \mathbf{x}=41$ "Put 41 into the box labeled x "
$>\boldsymbol{Y}=\mathbf{x}+1 \quad$ "Get the value out of $\mathrm{x}(41)$, and add 1 to it (42). Put that value (42) into the box labeled $\mathrm{y}^{\prime \prime}$

$\square$

## Re-naming...!



## Input and output

- To output data use print >>>print("Hello CS8")
- To get data into your program use input >>> name = input()

OR
>>name = input(" What is your name?")

## Just in case



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## Your TO DOs

- Visit Piazza after I add you
- Go to the class website
- Complete ic00
- Read Lab00 TODAY
- Do Lab00 TOMORROW (in lab)
- Bring your laptop to open labs (in the evening) if you want help setting it up

