

CSCI 201: *Introduction to Algorithm Design*

General information

The instructor for *CSCI 201*, Section 2, is Dean Brock. The course will meet on Thursday evenings from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

The textbook for the course is *Introduction to Pascal and Structured Design* by Nell Dale and Chip Weems. We will cover almost the entire book this semester following something like this schedule:

Aug 29	Chapters 1 & 2	Oct 24	Chapter 12
Sep 5	Chapter 3 & 4	Oct 31	Chapter 13
Sep 12	Chapter 5	Nov 7	Chapter 14
Sep 19	Chapter 6	Nov 14	Chapter 15
Sep 26	Chapter 7	Nov 21	exam
Oct 3	exam	Dec 5	Chapter 16
Oct 10	Chapter 8 & 9	Dec 12	Chapter 17
Oct 17	Chapter 10 & 11	Dec 19	final exam

Grades will be placed on a combination of graded homework, including about five programming assignments, and exams, two in-class exams and one final. The two in-class exams will last 90 minutes. The first hour of classes with in-class exams will be used for reviewing or catching up. In the weighing of graded material for the assignment of final grades, homework will count one-third, the in-class exams, one-sixth each, and the final exam, one-third.

Students will be given accounts on UNCAVX, a VAX 4000 running the VMS operating systems, to work on programs. If you prefer you may also write your programs using *Turbo Pascal*, a Pascal compiler available (at a significant education discount) on IBM PC clones. All programs must be submitted *both* in machine readable form, either by depositing your program in a file on the VAX or by turning in your program on a computer disk *and* as a signed printout.

My office is Robinson 224. My office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM. I do frequently read electronic mail and sending a message to my computer account ("BROCK") is generally the best way to get a prompt response during those late, late hours you'll be working.