

GRADING POLICY

A+ Computer Repair

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Overview

Note – This document is subject to revision.

Due to the use of networking, the grading policy for Computer Repair is a bit different than other classes because **many assignments are stored and graded on the network**. The benefits are that paper usage is virtually none and students can easily save their work to take home.

Assignments are typically graded one week after they are assigned. This allows ample time for those that struggle or have legitimate absences. The duration of a standard assignment is about 40 minutes on the average. **Once an assignment is graded it is no longer accepted for a grade.**

Homework is rarely assigned because not all students have the resources at home to complete it.

The class has a mechanism on the server that generates reports of missing work for any given student. If students are totally caught up they get access to recreational type software. This mechanism encourages students to **turn in all assignments, even if it is too late to get a grade for them.**

Testing occurs with every chapter. To imitate the A+ licensure, all tests are multiple-choice. The test average makes up 40% of the class grade and class assignments make up 60%.

Tips

- Turn in all assignments, even if they are incomplete or even too late to be graded. A partial grade is better than a 0!
- Check the “Assignment Grades” every day.

Frequently Asked Questions

I have already turned in my assignment, but now realize that it has errors. Can I change it?

Yes, as long as the file does not get renamed or moved to another folder and that the file has not already been graded. Make sure all changes are made before the file is graded.

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I made changes to an assignment that we started yesterday even though I already turned it in. Do I have to turn it in again?

No. When a file is “turned in” you are only submitting the name of the file. As long as the name stays the same there is no need to resubmit.

How can I make sure everything is turned in?

On the web server, click the link titled “Check your missing work”. This will either provide a list of missing work or a list of games to occupy your self.

I am falling behind. What can I do?

Some assignments can be done outside of the class if you have access to a PC. Check out a book from Mr. Ramsey and return the assignments to the class using floppy disk (or email them to Mr. Ramsey). Another option is to come to the lab outside of class. See Mr. Ramsey for times.

How can I check my grades? Why did I get a low grade on that assignment?

On the class web server, click the link titled “Review Assignment Grades”. Look for your username and click on it. You will find a list of the assignments that have been graded along with pertinent information about those grades. File permissions will prevent you from viewing other student’s grades (and vice-versa). Each assignment is scaled to 10 points. Check this link daily!

I was gone yesterday. What did we do?

Check the assignment calendar on the web server for all assignments, past and present.

What can I do for extra credit?

Each quarter students are issued 3 bathroom passes. A student can turn them in at the end of the quarter for up to 9 points extra credit towards a lab grade.

I renamed my file after turning it in. Do I need to resubmit it?

Yes, but the old record must be manually cleared from the database (by Mr. Ramsey). Otherwise, the file will not be able to be located by Mr. Ramsey when he gets ready to grade.