Introductory Notes

- How do I get into this course? The enrollment limit will soon be raised from 275 to 325. Keep an eye on AIS.
- Note that the lab sections will be subject to some rescheduling. Do not be alarmed by what this my do to your own schedule. You may attend any lab section(s) you like.
- This course is intended for prospective CS, CE, ISM majors as preparation for CS12AB, CE12, CS 101, CE 100 and other SOE courses. It is meant to give prospective SOE students a sense of what it will be like to be a CS or CE major. It is not a computer literacy course. See CMPS 2 and CMPE 3 if that's what you want.
- I will hold 6 hours/week of office hours: MW 1-4, or by appt.
- Webpage: Required Reading! Current information; homework, quizzes, etc...
- Webforum: Announcements, discussions, etc. Required reading!
- Teaching Assistants will hold lab/review/problem sessions during the scheduled lab times for a total of 10 hours per week.
 - 1. <u>Attendance at labs is optional</u>. Anyone may attend any or all lab sections. When you go, you should find a graduate student Teaching Assistant holding a lab/review/problem session. If you don't see the TA, announce yourself and ask for help.
 - 2. <u>What is meant by *optional*?</u> It means that if you have no questions or concerns, you may at your own discretion attend or not attend a lab session. If however there is *anything* you don't know how to do, you are *required* to attend a lab. In particular, if you don't know how to: activate your ucsc computer account, log on to your account from the lab, log on to your account from home, do a lab assignment, submit a lab assignment, do a hw problem, understand an example from class, or anything else, you are *required* to attend a lab section.
 - 3. The lab schedule in the printed schedule of classes and on the schedule of classes webpage will be subject to some modification. Do not refer to it from this point on. Instead, consult our class webpage for correct lab times. Lab sections will start (when?).
 - 4. If at any time you go to a lab and don't find there the person posted on the schedule, send email to that person and to me to let us know of the mix up. Occasionally a TA or tutor will not be able to make a lab time because of unavoidable personal commitment (e.g. a medical appointment.) In such a case there should be a note on the class webforum announcing the temporary cancellation.
- Text: On reserve at the science library.
- Evaluation:
 - ---Written homework is for quiz preparation, will not be collected.
 - ---Lab assignments may not be turned in by email for any reason (30%).
 - ---It is required that each student have an active UCSC computer account.
 - ---Note there is no midterm exam in this course. I consider the quizzes to be equivalent to one or two midterms. (30%)
 - ---Make sure you are free and available on the final exam date (see syllabus). (40%)
 - ---There are no make-up exams or quizzes. If you miss an assignment, with a legitimate and documented excuse, I will recalculate you score without that score.
- I leave open the possibility that one of the lab assignments will be a group project, with a group grade.
- There will be a number of guest lectures (1-2) on applications of Computer Science. Attendance will be taken at these lectures. Anyone attending all guest lectures will have his/her lowest quiz score dropped.