CNMT 100 Course Syllabus

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Textbook (Required)	Understanding Computers in a Changing Society. ISBN: 9781285767710 (Print) or 9781305177048 (eBook) The text should be available from text rental.
Other Material (Recommended)	It is strongly recommended that you backup all of your work to a flash drive or other appropriate medium. All material should fit in well under 1GB.

Course Information

Explore the foundations of modern computing to include the creation of computational artifacts, the Internet, big data, digital privacy and security, algorithms, programming, and the societal impacts of computing.

Learning Objectives:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts around modern computing.
- Create media and computer programs and differentiate between modes of creation and consumption of digital media.
- Demonstrate an understanding of concepts around computer security and privacy.

Preferred Communication:

Office hours are the officially recognized means to make contact regarding the class and its material. Email will typically be responded to within one business day.

Assignments, Due Dates, and Late Assignments:

There will be regular assignments and points-based exercises throughout the course. These assignments and exercises will be discussed in class and possibly posted online. Due dates for assignments are merely the last possible moment that you can turn in the work. You can turn assignments in early with no penalty.

For certain assignments there will be time allocated for working on the assignment during class and I recommend that you do so during the class period. Some assignments and points-based exercises will be worked on and submitted during a single class period and therefore cannot be made up later. It is imperative that you attend regularly so that you don't miss these opportunities.

If you are unable to attend class, it is your responsibility to obtain any assignments and supporting materials that are eligible to be worked on outside of class. This should be done prior to the next class period or the assignment due date, whichever is first.

Assignments that are eligible to be worked on outside of class, if late, will typically receive a 50% points reduction if received prior to the beginning of the next class unless other arrangements are made with the instructor. Some assignments are graded quickly and thus those assignments will not be worth any points if they are late. Assignments do not receive points if they are turned in more than a week late and/or after potential solution(s) to that material have been discussed in class and/or after solution(s) have been released.

In all cases, true emergencies do happen that can prevent you from attending or completing your work on time. Please contact the instructor as soon as possible to discuss any available options.

Grading (Approximate Weights):

Attendance and Participation: 10%
Quizzes and Exams: 50%
Assignments, Labs, Presentations, Peer Review, etc.: 40%

Grading Scale:

Final grades are determined according to the following scale and I reserve the right to lower the grading scale (it may require less than 93% to earn an A, for example).

A	A-	
100.00% – 94.00%	93.99% - 90.00%	
B+	B	B-
89.99% - 87.00%	86.99% - 84.00%	83.99% - 80.00%
C+	C	C-
79.99% - 77.00%	76.99% - 74.00%	73.99% - 70.00%
D+	D	F
69.99% - 67.00%	66.99% - 64.00%	Less than 64.00%

Attendance:

Attendance may be taken at the beginning of each class period. If you are more than 15 minutes late for a class, attendance will not be counted. Further, if you need to leave early, you must discuss with the instructor prior to class in order to receive attendance credit for that class period.

If you cannot attend, it is your responsibility to obtain any missed material or assignments.   Note that material and assignments may not be made available online. In addition, there will likely be times when graded, points-based material, is worked on and submitted only during a single class period and therefore cannot be made up later.

A portion of the final grade for this course is based on participation, though not directly on attendance. You can therefore still earn the entire participation grade even if you need to miss class due to illness.

Academic Standards:

The University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point is an academic community of individuals committed to the pursuit of learning, the acquisition of knowledge, and the education of all who seek it. This course expects that all work turned in for a grade is your own, or that of your group. A description of your rights and responsibilities as a member of the UWSP community as well as procedures for Student Conduct can be found at: https://www.uwsp.edu/dos/Pages/Student-Conduct.aspx

Technology Use and Recording Devices:

Please turn off cell phones, tablets, laptops, and all other electronic devices before entering the classroom. Electronic devices of any kind may not be used in the classroom without prior permission of the instructor. Instant messaging, texting, social media sites, and the like should not be used. If you would like to record (video or audio) any aspect of this course, please seek prior permission from the instructor.

Emergency Preparedness:

In the event of a medical emergency, call 911 or use red emergency phone located outside of the TNR 356. Offer assistance if trained and willing to do so. Guide emergency responders to victim.

In the event of a tornado warning, proceed to the lowest level interior room without window exposure on the second floor of TNR.

In the event of a fire alarm, evacuate the building in a calm manner. Notify instructor or emergency command personnel of any missing individuals.

Active Shooter – Run/Escape, Hide, Fight. If trapped hide, lock doors, turn off lights, spread out and remain quiet. Follow instructions of emergency responders.

See UW-Stevens Point Emergency Management Plan at https://www3.uwsp.edu/emergency/Pages/default.aspx for details on all emergency response at UW-Stevens Point.