

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH  
School of Computer Science  
Course Outline

<b>Course Code:</b> CIS*2460	<b>Course Title:</b> Modeling of Computer Systems		<b>Date of Offering:</b> Fall 2016
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<b>Calendar Description:</b> This course examines discrete simulation based on event queues and random number generation. Methods for generating input data, measuring and evaluating results using standard statistical tests are studied. Topics covered will include model calibration and validation, and algebraic, probabilistic and simple queuing models of software and hardware operation.  Prerequisite(s): CIS*2500		<b>Topics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spreadsheet simulation</li><li>• Simulation of queuing systems, inventory systems, and system reliability</li><li>• Event scheduling algorithm</li><li>• Ethernet simulation</li><li>• Statistical models in simulation</li><li>• Input modeling</li><li>• Validation of models</li><li>• Output analysis</li></ul>	
<b>Lecture</b> Tue, Thur: 10:00-11:20AM, MCKN 226		<b>Lab</b> <b>Section 1</b> Mon: 7:00-8:50PM MCKN 238 <b>Section 2</b> Wed: 7:00-8:50PM MCKN 238	
<b>Required Text:</b> Jerry Banks, John S. Carson, Barry L. Nelson, David M. Nicol. <b>Discrete-Event System Simulation</b> (5th Edition), Prentice Hall, 2010.			
<b>Method of Evaluation:</b>			
<b>Course Work</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Weight</b>	
Assignment A1:	Due Thur. Oct. 13	10%	
Assignment A2:	Due Thur. Nov. 10	15%	
Assignment A3:	Due Thur. Nov. 24	10%	
Midterm:	Thur. Nov. 3	25%	
Final Exam:	Tue. Dec. 6 (2:30 ~ 4:30 PM)	40%	
		A student passes the course if the weighted sum of all components $\geq 50\%$ .	

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See: Undergraduate Calendar: VIII. Undergraduate Degree Regulations and Procedures, Grading Procedures, Resolution 5.

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Assignments are expected to be handed in by specified due dates. Late assignments for A1 and A2 are subject to 20% of the total mark per day up to 2 *calendar* days. For instance, the latest date to hand in an assignment due on a Thursday is Saturday, with the highest possible mark of 60%. No late assignment is accepted for A3 (to allow marking and feedback before final exam). Please see details on submission procedure in the course website.

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