

CS 6900 Seminar Fall 2009 Syllabus
T,Th 3:00-4:15, Main 117

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Text: None

Grading: P/F only

Grading for the class is based on attendance, and the passing of the department requirements test (70% minimum). After the second take of the test, subsequent retakes of the test require payment of a \$10 fee. This payment is arranged through the department secretary in Main 414. Also, the test cannot be taken more frequently than once/week. A student who misses more than *three* classes, and/or does not pass the requirements test by the end of the semester will receive a grade of F for CS6900. This requirement can be waived ONLY if ALL classes missed are done so for documented reasons. For each class, a role will be passed around during the first five minutes of class. Students who register late for this class are counted as absent for prior classes missed. Thus, no late adds will be accepted after the fourth lecture. Students who arrive more than 5 minutes late for a class are counted as having missed that class. No excuses are accepted! A student signing in for another student is deemed as having violated department rules of conduct. Under such circumstances, both students will receive automatic F's.

Although this class is being videoed, these videos will not be available to students registered for this day class.

Class Goals:

1. Become familiar with the research interests and potential research topics of each tenure track faculty member in the department so that informed decisions about program type (plan A, B, or possibly C), major professor, and research topic can be made.
2. Understand the GPA, Graduate School, and all other academic requirements specific to the graduate program in Computer Science.
3. Broaden your understanding of the state of the art in computer science by listening to presentations of invited speakers.
4. Understand the procedures and timetables associated with the graduate program.

The following lecture schedule is tentative. Unless otherwise announced, you may assume that there will be an attendance-required lecture given each Tuesday and Thursday through December 2.

Date	Lecturer/Topic	Date	Lecturer/Topic
8/25	Dept Policies & Req's – Cooley	10/20	Minghui Jiang
8/27	No Class	10/22	Chad Mano
9/1	Dept Policies & Req's – Cooley	10/27	Charles Yan Canceled
9/3	No Class	10/29	Nick Flann
9/8	Department Requirements Test (meet in Main 406)	11/3	Scott Cannon
9/10	Vladimir Kulyukin	11/5	No Class
9/15	Curtis Dyreson	11/10	Steve Allan
9/17	Robert Erbacher	11/12	Vicki Allan
9/22	Renee Bryce	11/17	Don Cooley
9/24	Stephen Clyde	11/19	Scott Cannon
9/29	Steve Allan	11/24	Nick Flann
10/1	No Class		
10/6	Daniel Bryce		
10/8	Heng da Cheng		
10/13	Xiaojun Qi		
10/15	No Class		

ADA Compliance:

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