


CS384 Design of Operating Systems

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- Text: Silberschatz, Galvin, and Gagne, *Operating System Concepts: Seventh Edition*, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2004.


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Grading Criteria

Term Paper	15%
Quizzes (most Fridays)	15%
Lab Assignments	30%
Midterm (Friday 1/13/2005)	20%
Final (TBD)	20%
Total	100%


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Class Notes

- The lowest quiz grade will be dropped.
- There is a 10% per business day late penalty for labs and term paper deliverables.
- No work will be accepted more than one week late.
- You are encouraged to discuss programming assignments and design, but each team is responsible for developing its own code.
- The term paper will require a presentation.
- See the course policies handout for more information.


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Course Objectives

1. understand operating system process management
2. understand concurrent processes and synchronization techniques
3. understand operating system memory management
4. understand input/output handling in operating systems
5. understand file system interfaces and implementation
6. understand and be able to apply UNIX system calls
7. be able to design and implement a simple real-time operating system
8. be able to enhance and extend an existing software system
9. be able to perform independent research on a focused technical topic
10. be able to document research results in a technical paper
11. be able to communicate research results in a brief oral presentation


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Prerequisites

- Courses: CS-183, CS-285, EE-290, CS-280
- Topics
 - Proficiency in programming in C++ and 68HC11 assembly language, and in the use of UNIX software development tools (will review)
 - Familiarity with digital logic design, memory organization, processor registers, and interrupt handling mechanisms.
 - Familiarity with basic data structures, such as arrays, lists, stacks, and hash tables, and time complexity.

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Lecture Structure

- OS overview: goals, interrupts
- Process management
- Memory management
- Storage/file management
- Real-time systems
- Student Presentations (weeks 9-10)

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Lab Structure

- Groups of about 3
- Weeks 1-3 and perhaps 10
 - Linux and, perhaps, Windows topics
 - C/C++
- Weeks 4-9
 - Basic HC11 Operating System
 - Assembly

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What is an OS?

Increasing levels of abstraction


User(s)
Application program(s)
Operating system
Hardware

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OS Function Summary

- Coordinator
 - Make things work together
- Illusion generator
 - Present cleaner, higher-level interface
- Standard libraries
 - Provide commonly need facilities


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Coordination

- Concurrency
 - One/more users; multiple tasks
 - I/O concurrent with computation
- Memory management
- File management
- Network access
- Multiprocessors


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Illusion Generation

- Cleaner abstraction
 - High-level machine
 - Architectural details hidden
- Multiple processors
 - One machine looks like more than one
 - E.g., timesharing

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Standard Libraries

- Run-time libraries
 - Language support
 - User interface (GUI, etc.)
- Utility programs
 - File/directory management
 - Scripting tools, etc.
