

# **Capital University of Economics and Business Overseas Chinese College Course Syllabus**

2018 Fall (September 3, 2018 - January 4, 2019) **Year and Semester** 

**Course Name** Software Testing

**Course Code MIS362** 

**Course Type** ☐ General Education (Required) ☐ General Education (Elective)

> ☐ Professional Course (Required) ✓ Professional Course (Elective)

☐ Basic Disciplinary Course

3 **Course Credits Course Hours** 48 **Prerequisites** None Jessie Tian **Instructor** 

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**Learning Centre** M: 15:30—16:30;

T: 16:30—17:30; 18:00—20:00

2015IT / Y01 **Grade/Section** 

M: 13:30—15:20 / B308; **Course Time/Place** 

T: 10:10-11:00 / B308

#### **Textbook**

Ron Patton, Software Testing, 2nd edition, SMS 2006, ISBN: 7-111-17770-3/TP

## **Course Description**

This is the core undergraduate level course for junior students majoring in Information Management and Information Systems. It covers main fundamental concepts, basic techniques, routine procedures and processes, implementation strategies and frequently used methodologies for software testing. The major objectives will be to discuss the fundamental techniques that may be used derive test cases to test executable software artifacts so that the quality of these artifacts may be improved as well as to allow the students to gain necessary practical skills to be software testing engineers in any of the companies in the related fields.

#### **Student Learning Objectives**

On completion of this course, course participants will:

- Be able to understand the fundamental principles and terminology of software testing
- Be able to demonstrate and implement effective testing techniques.
- Be able to write test plans and test case as well as testing documentations.
- Be able to be a professional test engineer in IT companies.



## **Teaching Methods**

This course consists of lectures, discussions, research project, and group presentations. Students must be prepared to discuss the assigned papers before class.

#### **Grade Criterion**

Component	Weight	Description
		A cumulative final examination will be given based on all of the contents
		of the class. The exam paper may be composed of multiple-choice
P' 1 P	200/	questions, short answer questions, essay questions, problems, and
Final Exam	20%	preparation of financial statements. Students should rely primarily on
		homework assignments to give them a sense of what they may see for
		material on exams.
		A cumulative midterm test will be given based on all of the contents that
Milm m	200/	have been taught in class. The test paper may be mainly composed of
Mid-Term Test	20%	multiple-choice questions and it should be completed within 15 minutes
		in class.
		Most of the assigned homework is taken from the Exercises in the
	1.50/	textbook. Assignments will be collected at the clearly stated date. Late
Homework	15%	assignments will not be accepted. The graded assignments will be kept
		by the tutor for reference and won't be returned to students.
		There will be at least 2 quizzes during the semester. Quizzes may or may
O	15%	not be announced in advance. It may also be used as a way to check the
Quizzes	15%	attendance. Quizzes will test your knowledge of both concepts and the
		application of those concepts.
		The students will be divided into several groups to prepare a presentation.
		Each student is required to be involved in the presentation. The topics
Presentation	10%	can be selected from the textbook or lectures. Each group need to finish
		a PPT related to the topic which is given and hand in the related resources
		to the teacher before the presentation.
	10%	Individuals will be asked to participate individually in a question and
Participation		answer at least 5 times during the semester. The performances should be
		counted in their participation.
Attendance	10%	Refer to attendance policy listed below
Total	100%	

# **Detailed Grade Computation**

	Before Midterm	After Midterm
Attendance	5%	5%



Participation	5%	5%
Homework	5%	10%
Quizzes	5%	10%
Presentation		10%
Midterm test	20%	
Final exam		20%
Total	40%	60%

### **Grading Policy**

A+ 97-100	A 93-96	A- 90–92	B+ 87-89	B 83-86	B- 80–82
C+ 75-79	C 70-74	C- 67–69	D+ 63-66	D 62-60	F 0- 59

#### **Exam Schedule**

Midterm Test: November 5-9, 2018; Final Exam: January 7-11, 2019

# **Assessment of Student Performance**

#### Self-Study and Reading ability Practice

Instructor will give out the chapters or the reference books to read and use class hours to have discussion; students should be able to show a proactive attitude and ability for self-study and reading. Knowledge and oral English will be elements of homework or presentation score.

#### # Homework

Students should finish their homework by themselves. Copying from others will be treated as cheating and the homework scores will be lowered. Students should hand in all assignments on time. Late assignments will be accepted at the discretion of the instructor (i.e., when the student was ill or had an excused absence). Late assignments without reasonable proof will be reduced in score by 50%.

#### **☞** Attendance

Because the course covers a great deal of material, attending every class session is very important for performing well.

- Being late for 15 minutes or more is considered an absence.
- Five hours or above of unexcused absences will result in the lower level of the final grade by one grade band (e.g. from C – to D +). Any excused absence must be discussed directly with the teacher.
- Absence which is more than 1/3 of the total teaching hours will cause an F (a failing grade) directly. but students are welcome to continue attending classes.
- An incomplete grade (I) will be considered in case of medical or family emergencies.

#### Participation

- Students should participate in classes actively. Half of participation grade is determined by their presentation in class. They are encouraged to ask questions relevant to the subject and express their own opinions. Every student should respect the ideas, opinions, and questions of their classmates.
- Students should also use office hours to ask questions or talk with the instructor for good communication and effective learning.
- Frequent visiting the instructor and chatting in English during office hours is highly recommended.



- Any misbehavior and non-class related activities in class will result in the lower level of the participation grade, including ringing cell phones.
- All above behaviors will be solely evaluated by the instructor for scoring.

# Textbook

Students must bring the textbook to class.

# **Topical Course Outline**

Week	Date	Topics	Homework
		• Syllabus	
		• Chapter 1	
	Sep. 3	Introduction to Software Testing	P22
	1	How software bugs impact our lives	2,4,5,6
1		What bugs are and why they occur	
		Who software testers are and what they do	
		Review to Chapter 1	
	Sep. 4	• Discussion	
		Practice	
		• Chapter 2	
		The Software Development Process	
		<ul> <li>The major components of a software product</li> </ul>	P36
	Sep. 10	<ul> <li>Different people and skills contribute to a</li> </ul>	1,2,3,6
2		software product	1,2,5,0
2		<ul> <li>How software progresses from an idea to a final</li> </ul>	
		product	
		• Review to Chapter 2	
	Sep. 11	Discussion	
		Practice	
		• Chapter 3	
		The Realities of Software Testing	
		Testing Axioms	P50
	Sep. 17	Software Testing Terms and Definitions	2,5,6
		• Discussion	, ,
3		Practice	
		Review to Chapter 3	
		• Chapter 4	
	Sep. 18	Examining the Software Specification	
		Getting Started	
	Sep. 24	— (Mid-autumn Festival Holiday)	
		• Chapter 4	
4		Examining the Software Specification	
4	Sep. 25	Performing a High-Level Review of the	
	1	Specification	
		Low-Level Specification Test Techniques	
_	Oct. 1	— (National Day Holiday)	
5	Oct. 2	— (National Day Holiday)	
		• Chapter 5	
6	Oct. 8	Testing the Software with Blinders on	P89
		Dynamic Black-Box Testing: Testing the	1,2,4,5,6,8,9
		Software While Blindfolded	



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		<ul> <li>Test-to-Pass and Test-to-Fail</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Equivalence Partitioning</li> </ul>	
		Data Testing	
		State Testing	
		<ul> <li>Other Black-Box Test Techniques</li> </ul>	
		• Review to Chapter 5	
	Oct. 9	• Discussion	
		Practice	
	Oct. 15	• Review 1~5	
7	Oct. 16	• Quizzes 1	
	Oct. 10	Covers Chapter 1~5	
		• Chapter 6	
		• Examining the Code	
		<ul> <li>Static White-Box Testing: Examining the Design</li> </ul>	P104
	Oct. 22	and Code	
8		<ul> <li>Formal Reviews</li> </ul>	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
8		<ul> <li>Coding Standards and Guidelines</li> </ul>	
		Generic Code Review Checklist	
		• Review to Chapter 6	
	Oct. 23	<ul><li>Discussion</li></ul>	
		Practice	
		• Chapter 7	
		• Testing the Software with X-Ray Glasses	
	Oct. 29	Dynamic White-Box Testing	
		Dynamic White-Box Testing Versus Debugging	P122
		Testing the Pieces	2,4,5,6
9		Data Coverage	
		Code Coverage	
		• Review to Chapter 7	
	Oct. 30	• Discussion	
		• Practice	
		• Midterm Test	
		Covers Chapter 1~7	
		• Chapter 11	
		User Interface Testing	
	Nov. 5	What Makes a Good UI?	
		Testing for the Disabled: Accessibility Testing	1,2,3,5,6
		Discussion	
		• Practice	
10		• Chapter 12	
10		Topics in Testing Software Documentation	
		Topics in Testing Software Documentation     Types of Software Documentation	
	Nov. 6	The Importance of Documentation Testing	
			P190 1,2,3,4
		What to Look for When Reviewing	F190 1,2,3,4
		Documentation	
		• The Realities of Documentation Testing	
		• Discussion	
		• Practice	
		• Chapter 13	
	Nov. 12	Topics in Security Testing	
11	1.57.12	Threat modeling	
		Types of Malware	
	Nov. 13	• Review to Chapter 13	



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		<ul><li>Discussion</li><li>Practice</li></ul>	
12	Nov. 19	<ul> <li>Chapter 14</li> <li>Website Testing</li> <li>Web Page Fundamentals</li> <li>Black-Box Testing</li> <li>Gray-Box Testing</li> <li>White-Box Testing</li> <li>Configuration and Compatibility Testing</li> <li>Usability Testing</li> <li>Introducing Automation</li> <li>Review to Chapter 14</li> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Practice</li> </ul>	P227 1 2 3 4 5 6
13	Nov. 26	<ul> <li>Chapter 15</li> <li>Automated Testing and Test Tools</li> <li>The Benefits of Automation and Tools</li> <li>Test Tools</li> <li>Software Test Automation</li> <li>Random Testing: Monkeys and Gorillas</li> <li>Realities of Using Test Tools and Automation</li> <li>Review to Chapter 15</li> </ul>	P 252 2 3 4 5 6 8
	Nov. 27	Discussion     Practice	_
	Dec. 3	• Review 13~15	
14	Dec. 4	● Quizzes 2 Covers Chapter 11~15	
15	Dec. 10	<ul> <li>Chapter 17</li> <li>Planning Your Test Effort         <ul> <li>The Goal of Test Planning</li> <li>Test Planning Topics</li> </ul> </li> <li>Chapter 18         <ul> <li>Writing and Tracking Test Cases</li> <li>The Goals of Test Case Planning</li> <li>Test Case Planning Overview</li> <li>Test Case Organization and Tracking</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P275-276 1,2,3,4,5,6 P275-276 1,2,3,4,5,6
	Dec. 11	<ul> <li>Review to Chapter 17~18</li> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Practice</li> </ul>	
16	Dec. 17	<ul> <li>Chapter 19</li> <li>Reporting what you find</li> <li>Getting Your Bugs Fixed</li> <li>Isolating and Reproducing Bugs</li> <li>Not All Bugs Are Created Equal</li> <li>A Bug's Life Cycle</li> <li>Bug-Tracking Systems</li> <li>Chapter 20</li> <li>Topics in Metrics for Software Testing</li> <li>Quantification</li> <li>Lines of code (LOC)</li> </ul>	
	Dec. 18	<ul> <li>Review to Chapter 19~20</li> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Practice</li> </ul>	_



17	Dec. 24	Presentation I (4-5 groups)	
	Dec. 25	Presentation II (4-5 groups)	
18	Dec. 31	Final Review	
	Jan. 1	— (New Year's Day Holiday)	

Note: Some chapters or sections may leave for self-study, this is the students' duty to learn and understand, they may also be included in the quizzes or exams.

A review in Chinese may be held during L.C. and O.H. in the semester.

## **Teacher's Office Hour**

- The instructor's office hour is shown in the front of the office door.
- Students are suggested to use the instructor's office hour and learning center to ask questions or talk with the instructor once at least per week for good communication and effective learning, which is recorded in the students' participation.
- The time can be scheduled by instructors or students, or both.

## **Cheating and Plagiarism**

Cheating is not tolerated. Any student caught cheating on a quiz; test or exam will be given a mark of zero (0) for the particular work. At the beginning of the semester the definition of plagiarism will be carefully explained, when any thoughts or writings of another person are used, they must be clearly identified (usually one uses quotation marks) and the source notes. If any student is caught cheating on any homework assignment, the highest score the student can earn in that course is a "C".

#### **Important Dates**

Fall Semester, 2018	August 31, 2018— January 13, 2019
Aug. 31	Registration
Sep.3	Classes Begin
Sep.7 - 20	Freshmen's Military Training
Sep.24	Classes Begin (Freshmen)
Sep.24	Mid-Autumn Festival (tentative)
Oct.1 - 5	National Day Holiday (tentative)
Oct. 29 - Nov. 2	Mid-term Test
Jan.1, 2019	New Year's Day Holiday (tentative)
Jan.2-11	Final Exam Period
Jan.14	Winter Vacation Begins

Note: This syllabus is tentative and may be changed or modified throughout the semester. All students will be notified and a new syllabus will be given.

Instructor:	Department Head:

