



**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**
Proposal for a New Course

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Bulletin # : 3

Academic Year : 2019-20

1. School/College Engineering and Computing
Div./Dept. in Which Taught School of Computing and Information Sciences

2. CIS 3 XXX 1 CIP Code (Leave this blank): _____
Alpha 1st Last 3 "C"-lec-lab Cr. Hrs.
Prefix Digit Digits "L"-Lab

3. Grading Method (select one): Graded Pass/Fail

4a. Course Title Capstone I

b. Abbreviated course Title (for computer class schedules, transcripts) Capstone I
LIMITED TO 25 Characters (including spaces)

5. Statewide Course Numbering Subject Matter Area Computer Information Systems

6. Catalog Description/Major Topics (not to exceed 200 characters including spaces)
College of Medicine and College of Law: Attach description not exceeding 1,000 characters including spaces.

Students learn how to perform efficiently in Agile/Scrum teams of up to 5 members and learn how to design and implement solutions to problems as a team.

7. Attach detailed syllabus course outline and course justification on separate page(s).

8. Prerequisite(s): COP 3337 (Programming II) and Junior standing

9. Corequisite(s): _____

10. Objective(s) of Course:

11. Does this course duplicate/overlap other courses at FIU? No Yes
If yes, please explain: _____

12. What other closely related department(s) have been consulted about this course?

13. Is this course used for the assessment of a program or a certificate (if yes, then send a notification to assessment@fiu.edu)? No Yes

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Submit one original form. Attach one copy of the course justification and course syllabus, course description, objectives, major topics and textbooks.

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New Course Justification

Currently, CS majors take the senior project in their last term. Since completing the senior project in one term demands a significant amount of time, students are unable to take other classes in the last term. To balance the course load and to improve the graduation rate, it is necessary to complete the senior project in two terms with a 1-credit "Capstone I" followed by a 2-credits "Capstone II".

This new 1-credit course "Capstone I" allows students to understand the technologies needed for their capstone project and plan a strategy for their chosen project. The prerequisite "COP3337 (Programming II) and Junior standing" will ensure students have completed the basic required courses to begin their capstone project.

Students who are admitted before Fall 2020 are also strongly encouraged to take Capstone I and II, but to accommodate them, they are allowed to fulfill the capstone requirement by completing IDS-4918 ("Vertically Integrated Projects - C" 3-credits) in one term.

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Course Title: Capstone I

Date: 11/22/19

Course Number: CIS 3XXX

Number of Credits: 1

Subject Area: Knowledge focus groups covered in the curriculum of the BS in Computer Science.	Subject Area Coordinator: Monique Ross email: moross@fiu.edu
Catalog Description: Students learn how to perform efficiently in Agile/Scrum teams of up to 5 members and learn how to design and implement solutions to problems as a team.	
Textbook: No text book required	
References:	
Prerequisites Courses: COP 3337 (Programming II) and Junior standing	
Corequisites Courses: None	

Type: Required

Prerequisites Topics:

- Programming knowledge.

Course Outcomes:

1. Demonstrate the ability to work effectively in a project team.
2. Demonstrate familiarity of formulating problems.
3. Demonstrate familiarity of specifying the requirements of a problem.
4. Demonstrate familiarity of designing the solution to a problem.
5. Demonstrate familiarity of realizing the solution to a problem.
6. Demonstrate familiarity to validate and evaluate the solution to a problem.
7. Demonstrate familiarity to manage a semester long project.
8. Demonstrate familiarity to think logically and critically when developing the solution to a given problem.
9. Demonstrate familiarity to apply concepts learned in various courses when developing the solution to a given problem.
10. Demonstrate familiarity to communicate the details of the technical solution through verbal and written modes.
11. Demonstrate familiarity to incorporate ethical issues into the project development and documentation process.

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Relationship between Course Outcomes and Program Outcomes

BS in CS: Program Outcomes	Course Outcomes
a) Demonstrate proficiency in the foundation areas of Computer Science including mathematics, discrete structures, logic and the theory of algorithms	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
b) Demonstrate proficiency in various areas of Computer Science including data structures and algorithms, concepts of programming languages and computer systems.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9
c) Demonstrate proficiency in problem solving and application of software engineering techniques	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
d) Demonstrate mastery of at least one modern programming language and proficiency in at least one other.	4, 9
e) Demonstrate understanding of the social and ethical concerns of the practicing computer scientist.	11, 9
f) Demonstrate the ability to work cooperatively in teams.	7
g) Demonstrate effective communication skills.	10, 9

Assessment Plan for the Course and how Data in the Course are used to assess Program Outcomes

Student and Instructor Course Outcome Surveys are administered at the conclusion of each offering, and are evaluated as described in the School's Assessment Plan:
<http://www.cis.fiu.edu/programs/undergrad/cs/assessment/>

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Outline

Topic	Number of Lecture Hours	Outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Organization ○ Planning ○ Monitoring 	2	1. 2. 7. 8. 10. 11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem Formulation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motivation ○ Problem feasibility ○ Problem statement 	2	1. 2. 7. 8. 10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requirements Specification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Domain analysis ○ Objectives of the solution ○ Validation adequacy criteria 	2	1. 3. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Formulation of a plan to implement requirements ○ Limits on scope of solution 	2	1. 4. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Realization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Realize solution from design 	2	1. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation/Evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Check solution against requirements using adequacy criteria ○ Compare solution to alternative solutions. 	2	1. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10

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Course Outcomes Emphasized in Laboratory Projects / Assignments

Outcome	Number of Weeks
1. Project Plan Outcomes: 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 11	variable 1 - 2
2. Requirements Specification Outcomes: 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 11	variable 1 - 2
3. Solution Design Outcomes: 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10	variable 1 - 2
4. Final Project Outcomes: 1,2,3,4,5,6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11	variable 1 - 2

Oral and Written Communication:

Written Reports		Oral Presentations	
Number Required	Approx. Number of pages	Number Required	Approx. Time for each
4 (Project Plan, Requirements Document, Design Document, Final Project Document)	Variable (1-30)	at least 3 no more than 5	15 minutes per group (5 minutes per student)

Social and Ethical Implications of Computing Topics

Topic	Class time	student performance measures
Intellectual property - Patents, trademarks, copyrights of other similar products, and licensing of final product		Written reports – Requirements document and Final Project Document.
Privacy - privacy protection		Written reports - Requirements document and Final Project Document.
Economic issues - pricing strategies		

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Approximate number of credit hours devoted to fundamental CS topics

Topic	Core Hours	Advanced Hours
Algorithms:	0.5	
Software Design:	0.5	
Computer Organization and Architecture:	0.5	
Data Structures:	0.5	
Concepts of Programming Languages	0.5	

Theoretical Contents

Topic	Class time

Problem Analysis Experiences

Feasibility study of alternative solutions
Specifying the requirements for a problem
Analyzing the requirements of a problem

Solution Design Experiences

Designing the solution to a problem
Techniques to validate the problem solution

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The Coverage of Knowledge Units within Computer Science Body of Knowledge¹

Knowledge Unit	Topic	Lecture Hours
<u>AL</u>	Algorithms and Complexity	variable (1-2)
<u>AR</u>	Architecture and Organization	variable (1-2)
<u>IM</u>	Information Management	variable (1-2)
<u>NC</u>	Net-Centric Computing	variable (1-2)
<u>OS</u>	Operating Systems	variable (1-2)
<u>PL</u>	Programming Languages	variable (1-2)
<u>SE</u>	Software Engineering	variable (1-2)
<u>SP</u>	Social and Professional Issues	variable (1-2)

¹See https://www.acm.org/binaries/content/assets/education/cs2013_web_final.pdf for a description of Computer Science Knowledge units