

## CSSE 120 – Introduction to Software Development

### Test 1: *Format of the exam*

#### Honesty Pledge:

At the beginning of the exam, you will receive an *Honesty Pledge* which you should have read before the exam – it is available from the same place from which you got this document. You will sign and turn in that pledge at the end of the exam.

#### Assistive devices

You may use any assistive devices you normally use for taking exams, including but not limited to the following:

- Dictionaries and/or translators.
- Hearing, vision and hand-writing assistive devices.
- Devices to address dyslexia.
- A calculator (to be used only for calculating numeric values – programming is NOT allowed on the calculator).
- Blank paper and/or blank post-it notes.<sup>1</sup>

If your instructor permits it, you may listen to quiet music using headphones to the extent that it does not disturb other students.

If you need a quieter or more secluded place to take the exam, or if there are other accommodations that help you be more effective in demonstrating your knowledge/understanding via this exam, do not hesitate to discuss them in advance with your instructor.

#### Two parts:

- **Part 1: *Paper-and-Pencil.***

**For this part, the ONLY external resource you may use** beyond the assistive devices listed above **is a single 8½ by 11 sheet of paper**, with whatever you want on it, typed or handwritten or a combination of the two. You may use only ONE side of the sheet. You must have prepared the sheet *before* beginning the exam.

- It is best if you create your own sheet (working with someone else is fine) as that will probably maximize both your learning and your score on the exam.

- **Part 2: *On-the-computer.***

**For this part, the only external resources allowed** beyond the assistive devices listed above are:

- Any written material you choose to bring to the exam: books, handouts, notes, etc.<sup>2</sup>
- Your computer and anything on it.
- Your own SVN repository.
- Anything directly reachable from the CSSE 120 web site (including but not limited to the Session Preparation pages, the course Piazza site, and the official Python documentation).

**You may *not* use any search engine (like Google).**<sup>3</sup>

**Communication:** For both parts of the exam, ***you must not communicate with anyone*** except your instructor and her delegates, if any.

**Time limit:** You have ***2 hours, plus an additional 30 minute “grace period”***, to complete the entire exam – its *paper part* and its *computer part*<sup>4</sup>. You will receive both parts at the beginning of the exam. You must complete the paper part (using only your prepared 1-page-1-side sheet) and turn it in before you begin work on the computer part.

<sup>1</sup> We will bring some blank paper and blank post-it notes to the test.

<sup>2</sup> Please organize any handouts you bring so that they are not spilling over into a neighbor’s workspace.

<sup>3</sup> Exception: If a search engine is embedded into a site directly reachable from the CSSE 120 web site, and is restricted to that site, then you may use that limited search engine.

<sup>4</sup> We attempt to make an exam that a student with no prior background but a good understanding of all the concepts so far would finish in about 1 hour and 30 minutes.