Operating Systems Principles

CSC 501 (001, 601), Fall 2024

Course Information

Instructor	Man-Ki Yoon
Class Room	1230 EB2
Class Hours	Tu/Th 3:00-4:15 pm
Office Hours	Tu/Th 4:30-5:30 pm (3254 EB2 or Zoom)
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Online Tools	Ed Discussion, Gradescope, GitHub

Course Description

The goal of this course is for students to understand advanced topics in operating systems: scheduling, virtual memory, synchronization, file systems, and distributed systems. The material will be covered in terms of operating systems internals rather than the operating systems interface. Students will also read, present, and discuss representative research papers (from classical articles to recent publications in top systems conferences) on various topics related to operating systems.

Prerequisites

CSC 246 (Concepts and Facilities of Operating Systems for Computer Scientists), CSC 316 (Data Structures), and programming competence in C (not C++) and Unix.

Course Materials

Required Textbook	Remzi H. Arpaci-Dusseau and Andrea C. Arpaci-Dusseau, Operating Systems: Three Easy Pieces
Lecture Notes	Lecture notes will be uploaded on Ed Discussion.
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Optional Textbooks	 Thomas Anderson and Michael Dahlin, Operating Systems: Principles and Practice, 2/3, Recursive Books (2014). Douglas Comer, Operating System Design: The Xinu Approach, 2/e, Chapman and Hall/CRC (2015). William Stalling, Operating Systems: Internals and Design Principles, 7/e, Prentice Hall (2011). Andrew S. Tanenbaum and Hebert Bos, Modern Operating Systems, 4/e, Prentice Hall (2014). Abraham Silberschatz, Peter B Galvin, Greg Gagne, Operating System Concepts, 10/e, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (2018).

Course Structure and Grading Policy

The table below shows the percentage-based breakdown of how each requirement will factor into the overall grade.

Programming Assignments (4 PAs)	55%
Exam (1 x 20%)	20%
Paper Reading and Presentation (15% + 10%)	25%
Total	100%