**CSE 2120 Computer Organization and Machine Programming (3 credits)**

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**Textbooks and references:**


**Course information:**

**2014–2015 Catalog description:** CSE 2120 Computer Organization and Machine Programming (3 credits) Introduces digital logic, computer arithmetic, instruction sets and the basic components of computer architecture. Covers arithmetic/ logic, control, memory and input/output units. Explores the relationship between computer architecture and machine language programming. Requires students to write programs in Intel assembly language. Prerequisites: CSE 1001.

**Prerequisites by topic:** Fundamentals of computer programming

**Place in program:** Required. Prerequisite for: CSE 2050 (2nd programming language, currently C++)

**Course outcomes & related student outcomes:** The student will be able to

1. Explain the organization of a typical computer system including the following:
   
   (a) Storage of data and instructions  
   (b) Access and exchange data in memory and registers  
   (c) Interfaces with input-output devices  
   (d) Binary and hexadecimal number systems and integer arithmetic  

   (1: Fundamental knowledge)

2. Understand digital logic and sequential circuits. (1: Fundamental knowledge)

3. Minimize logic expressions. (2: Scientific, computing, and engineering problem solving)

4. Use program debugging techniques. (3: Skillful use of tools)

5. Understand control flow and memory access via pointers. (2: Scientific, computing, and engineering problem solving)

6. Program basic building blocks of a computer system in machine and assembly languages and demonstrate low-level concepts related to computer programming. (3: Skillful use of tools)

**Topics covered:**

1. Introduction, overview of topics for this course (1.5 hours)

2. Data representation, binary number system, binary arithmetic, floating point (4.5 hours)
3. Boolean and Digital Logic: Boolean algebra, K-Maps, simplification of logic, gates, and circuits (6.0 hours)

4. Overview of architecture, components, and interconnections (3.0 hours)

5. Memory organization, addressing, Endian-ness, memory alignment, and performance (3.0 hours)

6. Introduction to performance enhancements, pipelines, memory cache, and I/O devices (3.0 hours)

7. Introduction to instruction sets: addressing modes, instruction formats, and examples (3.0 hours)

8. Assembly language: data declarations, arithmetic, control flow, and condition codes (6.0 hours)

9. Assembly language: shift/rotate, multiplication/division, and logic instructions (3.0 hours)

10. Implementation of memory: variables, constants, arrays, pointers, and indirection (3.0 hours)

11. Program design, assemblers, debugging, compiler-generated code, and file I/O (3.0 hours)

12. Procedure calls and modular design (3.0 hours)

13. Examinations (One on organization and one on assembly language) (3.0 hours)

Approved by: William Allen, Associate Professor & Shengzhi Zhang, Assistant Professor

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