

Full Module Guide 2015/16

CI4100 Programming 1				
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Teaching schedule information	<p>You will be able to access your timetable for the 2016/17 academic year via the University mobile app or via OSIS (the Online Student Information System). More information on all aspects of timetabling can be found on the MyTimetable pages on MyKingston.</p> <p>In weeks 1-5 lectures take place at 2pm on Monday afternoons in PRSB2025 (the Roberts Lecture Theatre). Workshops take place in SB2022/3 on Wednesday mornings; you will be allocated into either the 9am or 11am slot.</p> <p>After the first enrichment week, lecture times and locations will change and will depend on which group you are assigned to.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please consult OSIS, Studyspace and your KU email regularly to confirm times and locations of lectures and workshop sessions. These are subject to change! • Note that it has been known for the published online timetable on OSIS or the MyTimetable pages to take time to catch up with any changes. Thus you should ALWAYS check Studyspace the start of each week. Changes will also be emailed to your university email account. Check this too! • If Studyspace, an email, or something your lecturer tells you sent to you contradicts the timetabling app or OSIS, Studyspace, email or the lecturer should be considered the authoritative source!
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In-course assessment	Type	%	Due dates	Feedback
These dates are indicative. Consult Studyspace for up-to-date information on assessment.	Weekly workshop activities	60%	Unit 1: Mon 7 th November 12:01am Unit 2: Mon 9 th January 12:01am Unit 3: Mon 20 th February 12:01am Unit 4: Fri 31 st March 5pm	Immediately via NoobLab
	Clicker questions during lectures	40%	Every week	Immediately, discussed in class after the question

MODULE SUMMARY

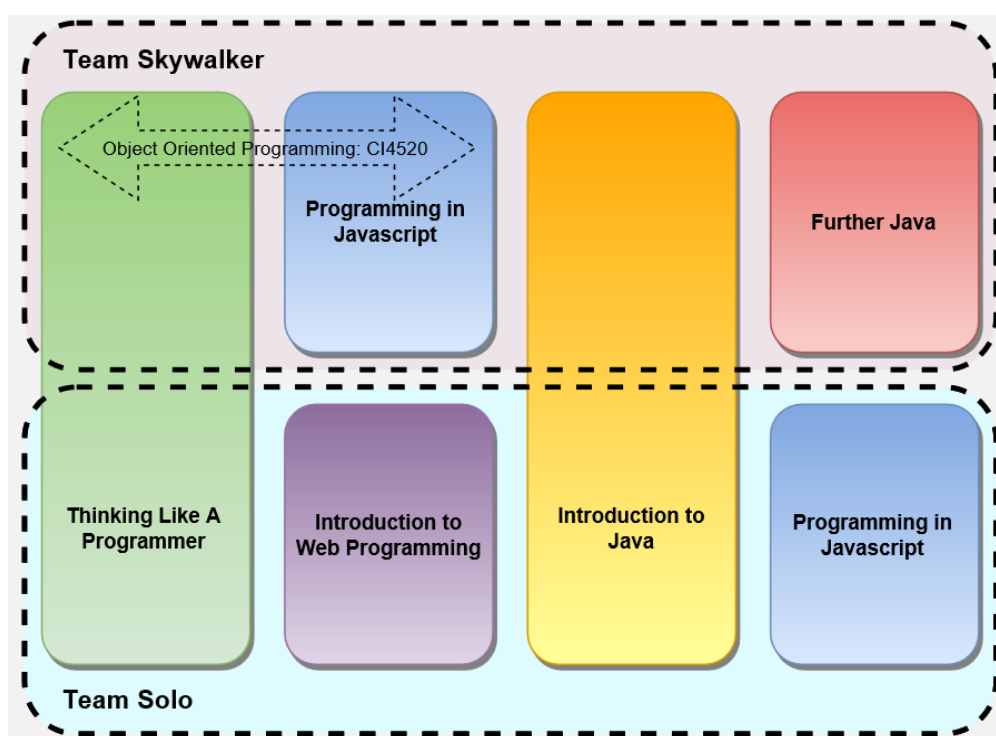
Welcome to the module!

The aim of the module is to provide a foundation for all programming activities that follow in subsequent years of your course. We do not assume that you have previous experience of programming; we start from the very beginning. We try to develop your ability to break problems down and “think like a programmer” before we break your brain with complex programming languages and more advanced concepts.

There is a misconception that programming is “hard” or “boring”. My job is to persuade you that it’s not. We try to make the material as engaging and fun as possible and we make use of our own homegrown NoobLab environment to do so.

Students doing Object Oriented Programming will do the units Thinking Like A Programmer and Programming in JavaScript with Paul before Christmas. They will then go off to do C++ with Ahmed.

Students doing Programming 1 will do four out of five possible units. At the end of Thinking Like A Programmer we will take a look at your progress. You will then be allocated into either Team Skywalker or Team Solo. This will then determine which units you will do as follows:



During Enrichment Activity Week (week 6 of term) I will look at your progress. Those of you who have demonstrated an aptitude for the material in Thinking Like A Programmer will join Team Skywalker and will focus more on Java with on Object Oriented principles in the latter part of the module. Those of you who need a little more support will not do as much Java, and you’ll look at Web application programming instead as a member of Team Solo. Both routes through the module carry the same assessment weight and will set you up for Programming 2 in the second year. Neither route is “better” and it is possible to get 100% for the module

regardless of which route you end up following. What we want to do is to give everyone the best possible chance of success, and the best possible chance to maximise their potential.

LECTURE PROGRAMME

Each unit consists of five lectures with associated workshops. This is an *indicative* schedule and may be subject to change.

Thinking Like a Programmer (Both groups)

Week of	Subject
Sep 26	Introduction to the Module
Oct 3	Fundamental programming constructs
Oct 10	Booleans and more on functions
Oct 17	Moving to “real” code
Oct 24	Orange Event

Programming in Javascript (both groups – Team Skywalker do this as their second unit, Team Solo do this as their last unit)

Week of (Skywalker)	Week of (Solo)	Subject
Nov 7	Feb 22	Introduction to Javascript
Nov 14	Mar 29	Functions and variables
Nov 21	Mar 7	HTML and the Document Object Model (or “everything you’ve learned is a lie”)
Nov 28	Mar 14	Events on the DOM and creating interactivity
Dec 5	Apr 4	Orange Event

The Basics of Web Programming (Team Solo)

Week of	Subject
Nov 7	The basics of HTML
Nov 14	Links, images, forms and multi-page sites
Nov 21	Introduction to PHP
Nov 28	Reading form data with PHP
Dec 5	Orange Event

Introduction to Java (both groups)

Week of	Subject
Jan 09	The basics of the Java language
Jan 16	Conditional and loop constructs / arrays
Jan 23	Introduction to object orientation (or “everything you’ve learned is a lie”)
Jan 30	“Madness in the Methods”: parameters, return values and constructors
Feb 06	Orange Event

Object Oriented Programming in Java (Team Skywalker only)

Week of	Subject
Feb 20	Encapsulation and packaging
Feb 27	Arrays of Objects / Inheritance
Mar 6	Collections
Mar 13	Java programming in the real world: IDEs and bringing it all together
Mar 20	Orange Event

WORKSHOP/SEMINAR/TUTORIAL PROGRAMME

The 2 hour lecture each week will be supplemented by a 2 hour hands-on workshop session. Please see Studyspace and OSIS for details of the location and times. During enrichment weeks, we will endeavour to provide additional support available in the form of optional “codebash” sessions. Look for announcements on Studyspace.

6 Assessment

There are several ways you will be assessed on this module.

Practical Work: 60%

Each and every NoobLab medal you win contributes towards your final module mark. We break this down by unit as follows:

Team Skywalker	Team Solo
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practical work for <i>Thinking Like A Programmer</i>: 15%• Practical work for <i>Programming in Javascript</i>: 15%• Practical work for <i>Introduction to Java</i>: 15%• Practical work for <i>Further Java</i>: 15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practical work for <i>Thinking Like A Programmer</i>: 15%• Practical work for <i>Introduction to Web Programming</i>: 15%• Practical work for <i>Introduction to Java</i>: 15%• Practical work for <i>Programming in Javascript</i>: 15%

In-class Questions: 40%

The remaining 40% of your marks will come from questions you answer in class. You will be asked questions in two settings. Every so often during lectures a slide with an orange background will appear containing a question for you to answer with your clicker. Your answers to these questions will be added to an overall total for the unit. Then, at the end of each unit will be an *Orange Event*. An Orange Event is a special lecture during which there will ONLY be orange slides. The regular in-lecture Orange slides are designed to see whether you’ve been paying attention and assimilating the information given during the lecture. The Orange Events are designed to test your knowledge of everything that’s been covered during the unit as a whole.

Orange Slides count towards your final mark! You could, mathematically speaking, pass the entire module just on Orange Slides! So, you need to be paying attention during lectures – and you need to make sure you’re at every lecture, too! When you miss lectures you will miss marks.

Important note

It is also crucial that you bring your clicker to each and every lecture and workshop. If you do not do so then not only do you risk missing out on marks, but it will also affect your attendance record. If you don't have your clicker and don't answer the questions during a lecture, we have no way of knowing whether you were there!

You should follow all instructions given on Studyspace and on NoobLab. It is important that if you have any queries that you ask one of the module team for clarification.

You are reminded of the faculty policy for the late submission of coursework. Any work submitted up to a week late will be capped at 40%, anything submitted later than this will receive a zero mark.

You are also reminded of the university regulations regarding plagiarism and other forms of academic misconduct. **We take these very seriously.** If you cheat, you will be found out, you will most likely fail the module, and you might even jeopardise your university registration. We will spend some time discussing what is acceptable and what is not in the first lecture. **Make sure you understand this. Ignorance is NOT an excuse!**

"If you are ill or have problems affecting your studies, the **University Mitigating Circumstances policy** may apply. You will need to complete a form and attach suitable independent documentation. Remember if you submit a piece of work or attend an examination, you have judged yourself fit to undertake the assessment and cannot claim mitigating circumstances retrospectively. Students who wish to make a mitigation claim submission may do so via the [webpage](#) (or My Kingston > My Faculty > Science, Engineering and Computing > SEC Mitigating Circumstances)."

Vivas

The module team reserves the right to ask you to attend a viva about submitted work. At such a viva you will be asked to explain how the code in the submitted work operates and the processes you used to create it. If you are not able to satisfactorily explain your own work then we reserve the right to deduct some or all of the marks awarded for it.

Feedback on Assessment

Feedback and advice on your workshop activities and your medal-winning activities will be given in class either upon request or as the teaching team observe you. You will also receive feedback on activities directly from the NoobLab environment. Answers and feedback to in-class questions and tests will be given immediately afterwards, as part of the scheduled event in which the question/test takes place.

You may also receive feedback and/or feedforward by email from the team commenting on your progress as a whole, and general feedback/feedforward will be available for the cohort as a whole on Studyspace.

It is important to pay close attention to feedback when it is received.

Late Feedback

We are committed to our students receiving timely feedback and would like to remind you that you can let us know of any delays that occur in receiving feedback from work you have submitted for marking. We have set up an electronic noticeboard for this purpose:

SEC_Assessment_Feedback_Delay_-_UG_NB@kingston.ac.uk

If you have not received feedback within the timeframe you expected then please send us the details – we need the module code and the date you submitted the work. We will then pick up your message and look into the matter.

CHANGES MADE AS A RESULT OF STUDENT FEEDBACK

In the past the formal student feedback mechanisms have produced only positive feedback in terms of the module structure and teaching approaches. Thus we do not intend to make any significant changes that might negatively affect this. However, one area where past students have lodged objections is with respect to timetabling because, in previous years, lectures have been scheduled AFTER workshops. Thankfully, this year this appears not to be the case.

READING LIST

Please note the books given in the Module Descriptor are indicative and represent an old version of the module. The core texts for the module this year can be found in the 'My Reading list' tab in StudySpace. They are also below for your convenience.

However, be warned: I give a reading list solely because I am required to do so. I would prefer NOT to give a list of textbooks at all. Programming is a *practical*, hands-on activity that is fast-moving in terms of best practice. Do not make the mistake of thinking that there is a “holy grail” textbook out there that turns people into amazing programmers just by the act of possessing it! Textbooks can quickly become out of date. The best way to become a proficient programmer is by practicing your programming – not by reading a textbook! **I do NOT recommend spending any serious amount of money on textbooks!**

With that health warning, here are the suggested texts for the module this year:

Jon Duckett: HTML & CSS: Design and Build Web Sites (Team Solo only)

- http://www.amazon.co.uk/HTML-CSS-Design-Build-Sites/dp/1118008189/ref=la_B001IR3Q7I_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=143920

Jon Duckett: JavaScript and JQuery: Interactive Front-end Web Development

- http://www.amazon.co.uk/JavaScript-JQuery-Interactive-Front-end-Development/dp/1118531647/ref=la_B001IR3Q7I_1_3?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1439202657&sr=1-3

Lynn Beighley and Michael Morrison: Head First PHP and MySQL (Team Solo only)

- <http://www.amazon.co.uk/Head-First-MySQL-Lynn-Beighley/dp/0596006306>

Cay Horstmann: Big Java (late objects)

- http://www.amazon.co.uk/Big-Java-Late-Objects-Horstmann/dp/1118087887/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1442237249&sr=1-1&keywords=big+java+late+objects

Appendix: Module Descriptor

MODULE CODE: CI4100

LEVEL: 4

CREDITS: 30

TITLE: Programming I

PRE-REQUISITES:

CO-REQUISITES:

MODULE SUMMARY (*INDICATIVE*)

This module will be taken by first year (level 4) students enrolled on Computer Science, Software Engineering, Information Systems and Joint Honours degrees. It is not assumed that students have prior programming experience. The teaching and learning is split between several units that will be directed at specific subsets of the above cohorts.

This provides each cohort with a schedule of activity that is appropriate for their background and future needs, while allowing a general visibility and structure of material for the entire year.

AIMS (*DEFINITIVE*)

- To introduce the essential concepts for a computer program
- To develop students' enthusiasm for, confidence in, and experience with programming by using practical examples
- To compare the similarities and differences of common programming languages

LEARNING OUTCOMES (*DEFINITIVE*)

On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:

1. Decompose a programming task into a set of smaller sub-tasks, expressed using standard control flow structures independent of any specific computing environment.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the relevant structure and syntax of at least two programming environments, such as language-specific source code and/or mark-up languages permitting procedural instruction.
3. Demonstrate the appropriate use of variables, arrays of variables, expressions, subroutines, and conditional and iterative control flow structures.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of elementary object oriented concepts, such as classes and objects.
5. Use the available library methods to incorporate into their work some elementary user input, and visual output; where necessary testing the validity of such input, and appropriately structuring the output.
6. Write and use simple tests to validate the structured documents and software components they have written; use appropriate tools (such as debugging environments) to locate and fix errors that they find.

CURRICULUM CONTENT (*INDICATIVE*)

- Introduction to programming concepts in a language independent environment, such as variables, conditions, iterations and subroutines.
- Analysis of and practice at the expression of programming tasks as algorithms using these programming concepts.

- Introduction to variables, data types, logical & arithmetic operators, expressions, statements, conditions, and loops, using programming languages such as Java, Javascript, and C/C++.
- Drawing shapes on grids to make games. Using mouse input. Model-view controller, arrays.
- Introduction to the HTML syntax, structure, common elements; use of style sheets
- Javascript for form processing and other interactive components in an HTML page

TEACHING AND LEARNING STRATEGY (INDICATIVE)

The module material will be divided into approximately 7 units of taught material, unit topics to include problem solving, HTML, Javascript, Java and C++ Students will be directed to engage in four units, according to the required emphasis of their course.

Each unit will consist of approximately 11 hours of lecture, 11 hours of practical and a further 44 hours of self-directed study.

In addition to these units of activity, a further 6 hours of lecture and 6 hours of Practical will be scheduled for specific activity weeks and revision weeks during the semester. A further 32 hours of self-directed study is advised during these periods.

BREAKDOWN OF TEACHING AND LEARNING HOURS

DEFINITIVE KIS CATEGORY	INDICATIVE DESCRIPTION	HOURS
Scheduled learning and teaching	Lectures, tutorials, workshops, and exercises.	100
Guided independent study	Online learning materials including guided exercises and formative tests (with integrated support and automatic feed forward to tests).	200
	Total	300

ASSESSMENT STRATEGY (INDICATIVE)

In order to help students on this module achieve their full potential, formative assessment opportunities will be provided as appropriate throughout the module. Examples of formative assessments include worked exercises which emulate aspects of the major assessment and lab work. Feedback on coursework represents an additional opportunity for formative learning and will be given in writing and/or verbally. Formative feedback will be provided in various forms such as during short (10 - 15 minutes) feedback sessions. The formative feedback is designed to inform student preparation for the summative assessment which may be within the same module or feed forward across the degree programme.

MAPPING OF LEARNING OUTCOMES TO ASSESSMENT STRATEGY (INDICATIVE)

LEARNING OUTCOME	ASSESSMENT STRATEGY
On completion of the module, students will be able to:	
1) Decompose a programming task into a set of smaller sub-tasks, expressed using standard control flow structures independent of any specific computing	In-class multiple choice tests to establish basic ontology and concepts. Group exercises to solve problems, assessed through presentations.

environment.	
2) Demonstrate an understanding of the relevant structure and syntax of at least two programming environments, such as language-specific source code and/or mark-up languages permitting procedural instruction.	Weekly assignments (coursework) comprising a set of graded exercises. In-class multiple choice tests to assess understanding and recall of syntax & structure.
3) Demonstrate the appropriate use of variables, arrays of variables, expressions, subroutines, and conditional and iterative control flow structures.	In-class tests in which students modify source code to change the specification of a program.
4) Demonstrate an understanding of elementary object oriented concepts, such as classes and objects.	In-class tests in which students modify source code to change the specification of a program.
5) Use the available library methods to incorporate into their work some elementary user input, and visual output; where necessary testing the validity of such input, and appropriately structuring the output.	Weekly assignments (coursework) comprising a set of graded exercises. In-class tests in which students work on similar problems, in an open-book environment
6) Write and use simple tests to validate the structured documents and software components they have written; use appropriate tools (such as debugging environments) to locate and fix errors that they find.	Individual or Group assignment in which they inspect, debug, test, fix and modify an example computer program.

BREAKDOWN OF MAJOR CATEGORIES OF ASSESSMENT

DEFINITIVE KIS CATEGORY	INDICATIVE DESCRIPTION	PERCENTAGE
Coursework	Portfolio of in-class tests; multiple choice tests; weekly graded exercises; implementations	100%
	Total	100%

ACHIEVING A PASS (DEFINITIVE)

It *IS NOT* a requirement that any major assessment category is passed separately in order to achieve an overall pass for the module

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