

**COURSE TITLE:** **Beginning Programming (11.4180000)**  
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**Materials:** Learn Key and other appropriate software and supplementary materials will be used.

**Objectives  
(BCS-BP-)**

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**Tutorial:** Tutorial time is 8:00am on Monday through Thursday. After school by appointment only.

**All Tri Cities students are required to have an Academic Portfolio for each of their classes. Academic Portfolios must be maintained in electronic format by following the template provided.**

Each student will be expected to bring to class daily his/her notebook, workbook, paper, pencil and any other needed classroom supplies and materials.

The Georgia Department of Education has made available two assessments to ascertain the competence of our career technology students. The assessments are Work-Ready and End-of-Pathway. The Work-Ready assessment measures the skills of Georgia's workers, determines valuable job training opportunities, and assures companies that the state can provide a long-term, qualified labor supply, and is a requirement for some Georgia jobs. The End-of-Pathway assessment measures the level of technical skill attainment of each career pathway completer. The Work-Ready assessment will be administered to all work-based learning students and all seniors currently enrolled in a CTE course. The End-of-Pathway assessments will be administered to all CTE students who have finished or are finishing a pathway. Tests will be administered in October and April.

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Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

<p>I have read this course syllabus and I understand all information presented. In the event that I have questions, I will contact the teacher.</p>
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Sample Task

Job shadow a professional in the field of computing

## **HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE COMPONENTS**

Students will demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between hardware and software in program execution.

### **BCS-BP-2. Students will describe the major parts of a processor and how the processor handles execution of a machine language program.**

- a. List and describe the function of the major components of the processor (ALU, registers, program counter, etc).
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- e. Explain the interaction between the operating system and the processor.

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- c. Compare and contrast high-level and low-level languages for different uses.

### **BCS-BP-4. Students will explore different representations of images and music in a computer.**

- a. Explain the difference between bitmapped and vector-based representations of images.
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### Sample Tasks:

Read <http://computer.howstuffworks.com/microprocessor3.htm> on how microprocessors work. Role-play the parts of a processor and the execution of a simple machine language program.

Complete the lessons at

[http://www97.intel.com/discover/JourneyInside/TJI\\_DigitalInfo\\_lesson4/default.aspx](http://www97.intel.com/discover/JourneyInside/TJI_DigitalInfo_lesson4/default.aspx) on binary numbers and [http://www97.intel.com/discover/JourneyInside/TJI\\_DigitalInfo\\_lesson5/default.aspx](http://www97.intel.com/discover/JourneyInside/TJI_DigitalInfo_lesson5/default.aspx) on adding binary numbers and complete the activity on adding binary numbers.

Change all positive values in a sound to the maximum positive value and all negative values in a sound to the maximum negative value.

Reverse a sound.

Write a program that mirrors the left side of a picture onto the right side.

## **PROBLEM SOLVING**

Students will practice the application of problem-solving strategies to develop and increase logical thinking skills.

**BCS-BP-5. Students will design algorithms and programming solutions for a variety of computational problems.**

- Apply, test, analyze, and adjust problem-solving algorithms.
- Design, test, analyze, and adjust coding solutions based on problem-solving algorithms.
- Analyze and discuss coding solutions for elements of thoroughness and correctness.
- Describe how recursion can be used to solve a problem.

### ***Academic Standards:***

*SCSh3 Students will identify and investigate problems scientifically.*

*MM3P1. Students will solve problems (using appropriate technology).*

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## **PROGRAMMING**

Students will use basic programming techniques to design, implement, and solve simple problems using an object-oriented programming language.

**BCS-BP-6. Students will design solutions for simple programs using basic programming techniques and constructs.**

- Implement techniques such as conditional statements, iterative statements, and variables to solve simple problems.
- Utilize basic mathematical expressions to solve simple problems.
- Use arrays and lists where appropriate.
- Comment programs to aid program readability.
- Test and debug simple programs.
- Analyze and explain simple programs involving fundamental programming constructs.

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**BCS-BP-7. Students will use and develop algorithms to solve simple problems.**

- Develop algorithms to solve simple problems using pseudocode and/or flowcharts.
- Interpret algorithms expressed in pseudocode and/or flowcharts to code solutions to simple problems.
- Discuss the importance of algorithms in problem solving.
- Identify properties of well-written algorithms in solving problems.

e. Interpret algorithms to write code that will implement searching and sorting techniques.

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**BCS-BP-8. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the relationships between classes.**

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- d. Describe how using classes implements the ideas of encapsulation and information hiding.

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**DATA STRUCTURES**

Students will demonstrate the ability to process one-dimensional arrays, two-dimensional arrays, and lists. Students will choose an appropriate data structure for a given situation.

**BCS-BP-9. Students will write programs that process one-dimensional arrays.**

- a. Calculate the average of the contents of an array.
- b. Manipulate each element of an array.
- c. Manipulate a section of an array.

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**BCS-BP-10. Students will write programs that process two-dimensional arrays.**

- a. Manipulate each element of a two-dimensional array.
- b. Manipulate a section of a two-dimensional array.
- c. Explain the difference between row major and column major two-dimensional arrays.
- d. Explain how to process an array in a row-first or column-first manner.

**Academic Standards:**

*MM3A7 Students will understand and apply matrix representations of vertex-edge graphs.*  
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**BCS-BP-11. Students will write programs that process lists.**

- a. Manipulate each element of a list.
- b. Add items to a list.

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**BCS-BP-12. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the basics of stacks and queues.**

- a. Explain the purpose of a call stack.
- b. Describe the purpose of a printer queue.
- c. Compare and contrast stacks and queues.

## **LIMITS OF COMPUTING**

Students will determine how programming limits can affect business, and will recognize that there is a time hierarchy in programming.

**BCS-BP-13. Students will discuss limits on computing as a result of programming complexity.**

- a. Determine the number of steps that a program will take to execute.
- b. Compare and contrast the speed of different algorithms.
- c. Identify the possible impact on a business when a computer programmer leaves a company.

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**BCS-BP-14. Students will identify time-related limits to computing.**

- a. Define polynomial time as it relates to computing.
- b. Define exponential time as it relates to computing.

### **Sample Tasks:**

Research *The Human Genome Project* and discuss its efforts to overcome computing limits.

## **CTAE Foundation Skills**

The Foundation Skills for Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) are critical competencies that students pursuing any career pathway should exhibit to be successful. As core standards for all career pathways in all program concentrations, these skills link career, technical and agricultural education to the state's academic performance standards.

The CTAE Foundation Skills are aligned to the foundation of the U. S. Department of Education's 16 Career Clusters. Endorsed by the National Career Technical Education Foundation (NCTEF) and the National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium (NASDCTEc), the foundation skills were developed from an analysis of all pathways in the sixteen occupational areas. These standards were identified and validated by a national advisory group of employers, secondary and postsecondary educators, labor associations, and other stakeholders. The Knowledge and Skills provide learners a broad foundation for managing lifelong learning and career transitions in a rapidly changing economy.

**CTAE-FS-1 Technical Skills:** Learners achieve technical content skills necessary to pursue the full range of careers for all pathways in the program concentration.

**CTAE-FS-2 Academic Foundations:** Learners achieve state academic standards at or above grade level.

**CTAE-FS-3 Communications:** Learners use various communication skills in expressing and interpreting information.

**CTAE-FS-4 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking:** Learners define and solve problems, and use problem-solving and improvement methods and tools.

**CTAE-FS-5 Information Technology Applications:** Learners use multiple information technology devices to access, organize, process, transmit, and communicate information.

**CTAE-FS-6 Systems:** Learners understand a variety of organizational structures and functions.

**CTAE-FS-7 Safety, Health and Environment:** Learners employ safety, health and environmental management systems in corporations and comprehend their importance to organizational performance and regulatory compliance.

**CTAE-FS-8 Leadership and Teamwork:** Learners apply leadership and

teamwork skills in collaborating with others to accomplish organizational goals and objectives.

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**CTAE-FS-10 Career Development:** Learners plan and manage academic-career plans and employment relations.

**CTAE-FS-11 Entrepreneurship:** Learners demonstrate understanding of concepts, processes, and behaviors associated with successful entrepreneurial performance

## Beginning Programming Pacing Guide

Weeks	Standards	Assessment
3 Weeks	<p><b>CAREERS</b> Students will explore careers in the field of computing.</p> <p><b>BCS-BP-1. Students will explore careers in computing.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Describe the daily tasks and responsibilities of a professional in the field of computing.</li> <li>b. Compare and contrast the top jobs in computing.</li> <li>c. Explore careers that combine computing with another field.</li> </ul>	Project 1: Career and Education
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2 Weeks	<p><b>BCS-BP-6. Students will design solutions for simple programs using basic programming techniques and constructs.</b></p>	Project 7:

	<p>a. Implement techniques such as conditional statements, iterative statements, and variables to solve simple problems.</p> <p>b. Utilize basic mathematical expressions to solve simple problems.</p> <p>c. Use arrays and lists where appropriate.</p> <p>d. Comment programs to aid program readability.</p> <p>e. Test and debug simple programs.</p> <p>f. Analyze and explain simple programs involving fundamental programming constructs.</p>	Algorithm and Game Design Process
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**Tutorial:** Tutorial time is 8:00am on Monday through Thursday. After school by appointment only.

**All Tri Cities students are required to have an Academic Portfolio for each of their classes. Academic Portfolios must be maintained in electronic format by following the template provided.**

Each student will be expected to bring to class daily his/her notebook, workbook, paper, pencil and any other needed classroom supplies and materials.

The Georgia Department of Education has made available two assessments to ascertain the competence of our career technology students. The assessments are Work-Ready and End-of-Pathway. The Work-Ready assessment measures the skills of Georgia's workers, determines valuable job training opportunities, and assures companies that the state can provide a long-term, qualified labor supply, and is a requirement for some Georgia jobs. The End-of-Pathway assessment measures the level of technical skill attainment of each career pathway completer. The Work-Ready assessment will be administered to all work-based learning students and all seniors currently enrolled in a CTE course. The End-of-Pathway assessments will be administered to all CTE students who have finished or are finishing a pathway. Tests will be administered in October and April.

<p>-----</p> <p>Student Name _____</p>	<p>I have read this course syllabus and I understand all ----- information presented. In the event that I have questions, I will contact the teacher.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Parent/Guardian Signature</p> <p>I have read this course syllabus and I understand all information presented. I understand that I must use the Internet for educational purposes only. In the event that I have questions, I will ask my teacher.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Student Signature</p>
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## **HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE COMPONENTS**

Students will apply knowledge of hardware and software components. Students will apply knowledge of high-level program execution.

### **BCS-IP-1. Students will apply knowledge of hardware and software components.**

- a. Explain how Boolean logic is related to computer hardware.
- b. Explain how a computer monitor displays text and images.
- c. Explain how a graphical button is displayed and how it knows when it has been pushed.

#### ***Academic Standards:***

*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

*ELA12LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.*

### **BCS-IP-2. Students will apply knowledge of high-level program execution.**

- a. Build an interpreter that executes a simple language.
- b. Build a compiler that translates one simple language to another.

#### ***Academic Standard:***

*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

#### **Sample Tasks:**

Read about Boolean logic at <http://computer.howstuffworks.com/boolean.htm>. Simulate a logic gate.

Write a program that interprets simple graphic commands: draw a line, draw an ellipse, draw a rectangle, and draw the resulting picture.

Write a compiler which creates a class that draws a picture based on a set of simple graphic commands.

## **SOFTWARE ENGINEERING**

Students will demonstrate knowledge of key concepts in software engineering.

**BCS-IP-3. Students will demonstrate knowledge of key concepts in software engineering.**

- a. Define software engineering.
- b. Compare and contrast software engineering and programming.
- c. List the phases in the software life cycle.
- d. Perform software requirements analysis.
- e. Discuss Extreme Programming and pair programming.
- f. Discuss societal and ethical issues in software engineering.

### ***Academic Standards:***

*ELA12W3 The student uses research and technology to support writing.*

*ELA12LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.*

## **USER INTERFACE DESIGN**

Students will demonstrate knowledge of the important principles in user interface design.

**BCS-IP-4. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the important principles in user interface design.**

- a. List the criteria used to determine the effectiveness of an interface.
- b. Apply user interface design criteria to critique common user interfaces (car door handle, steering wheels, light switches, cell phones, and VCRs).
- c. Perform a user-centered task analysis. Identify sub-groups of users and their characteristics.
- d. List examples of good and bad user interface designs. Discuss the impact of bad user interface designs.

### ***Academic Standards:***

*ELA12W1 The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.*

*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

*ELA12W3 The student uses research and technology to support writing.*

*ELA12LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.*Implementation

### **Sample Tasks:**

Compare cell phone user interfaces for various tasks such as changing a ring tone, adding a new contact, or creating a memo.

Evaluate web sites based on user interface criteria.

Compile a list of accidents due to poor user interface design.

Interview people of different ages and occupations about their cell phone use and what problems they experience. Identify some cell phone user groups.

## **PROBLEM SOLVING**

Students will apply problem-solving strategies to more advanced problems.

**BCS-IP-5. The student will collaboratively develop solutions for specific problems.**

- a. Collaboratively determine a course of action for problem resolution.
- b. Design algorithms for problem resolution.
- c. Break a task into subtasks required for problem resolution.
- d. Select appropriate tools and technology resources to accomplish a variety of tasks.
- e. Collaboratively design, combine, test, analyze, and adjust coding solutions based on problem-solving algorithms.
- f. Review and discuss coding solutions for elements of thoroughness and correctness.

### ***Academic Standards:***

*SCSh3 Students will identify and investigate problems scientifically.*

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*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

*ELA12W3 The student uses research and technology to support writing.*

*ELA12LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.*

## **PROGRAMMING**

Students will use basic and advanced programming techniques to design, implement, and solve complex problems using an object-oriented programming language.

### **BCS-IP-6. Students will design solutions for complex programs using advanced programming techniques and constructs.**

- a. Implement techniques such as conditional statements, iterative statements, and variables to solve complex problems.
- b. Utilize basic and advanced mathematical expressions to solve complex problems.
- c. Create appropriate arrays and lists.
- d. Utilize various testing and debugging techniques to test classes.
- e. Design classes that can be used in other programs.
- f. Analyze and explain simple programs involving advanced programming constructs.

#### ***Academic Standards:***

*ELA12W1 The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.*

*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

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### **BCS-IP-7. Students will use and develop algorithms to solve complex problems.**

- a. Develop algorithms to solve complex problems using pseudocode.
- b. Interpret algorithms written in pseudocode to code solutions to complex problems.
- c. Identify properties of well-written algorithms in solving complex problems.
- d. Use an Action, Components, and Events (ACE) chart to design your GUI components.

#### ***Academic Standards:***

*ELA12W1 The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.*

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### **BCS-IP-8. Students will demonstrate knowledge of advanced object-oriented concepts.**

- a. Define polymorphism, interface, inheritance, encapsulation, and abstract class.
- b. Develop programs that use inheritance and interfaces in the development of GUI applications.

#### ***Academic Standards:***

*ELA12W1 The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.*

*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

*ELA12W3 The student uses research and technology to support writing.*

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## **DATA STRUCTURES**

Students will apply their knowledge of arrays and lists. Students will demonstrate an understanding of stacks and queues.

### **BCS-IP-9. Students will apply their knowledge of arrays and lists.**

- a. Choose between an array and a list for representing data in a variety of contexts.
- b. Create one- and two-dimensional arrays of the correct size for a variety of problems.
- c. Describe how elements are removed and added to a list.
- d. Implement common searching and sorting algorithms for arrays.

**Academic Standards:**

*ELA12W1 The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.*

*ELA12W2 The student demonstrates competence in a variety of genres.*

*ELA12W3 The student uses research and technology to support writing.*

**BCS-IP-10. Students will demonstrate an understanding of stacks and queues.**

- a. Use stacks and queues to solve a variety of problems.
- b. List common uses of stacks and queues.
- c. Explain the function of an event queue.

**Academic Standards:**

*ELA12W1 The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.*

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**Sample Tasks:**

Use a 2D array to hold disks in the game Connect Four.

Use a 2D array to represent a checkerboard.

Use a list to hold slides for a slide show.

Use a stack to solve simple postfix equations such as  $3\ 4 + 2 * 5 -$ .

Use a queue to create a simulation of a printer queue.

Search a list of students for a specific name.

Sort a list of students based on the student name.

## **LIMITS OF COMPUTING**

Students will investigate the various limits to computing, identify key limiting factors and how they affect computing, and discuss possible technological advances to overcome some of these limits in the future.

**BCS-IP-11. Students will identify the physical constraints on computing.**

- a. Investigate miniaturization and its relationship to sub-atomic concerns.
- b. Identify the thermodynamic limits on energy dissipation.
- c. Identify the speed-of-light limitations on computing and discuss its implications.
- d. Explain and give examples of parallel processing.

**Academic Standards:**

*ELA12W3 The student uses research and technology to support writing.* Implementation date Fall 2007 7

*ELA12LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.*

**BCS-IP-12. Students will examine the limits to computing based on complexity and computability.**

- a. Define complexity theory.
- b. Compare polynomial time versus exponential time.
- c. Define non-deterministic and intractable.
- d. Discuss the importance of computational time in relationship to solvable problems.
- e. Explain the Turing Machine and its relationship to the halting problem.

**Academic Standard:**

*ELA12LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.*

### **CTAE Foundation Skills**

The Foundation Skills for Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) are critical competencies that students pursuing any career pathway should exhibit to be successful. As core standards for all career pathways in all program concentrations, these skills link career, technical and agricultural education to the state's academic performance standards.

The CTAE Foundation Skills are aligned to the foundation of the U. S. Department of Education's 16 Career Clusters. Endorsed by the National Career Technical Education Foundation (NCTEF) and the National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium (NASDCTEc), the foundation skills were developed from an analysis of all pathways in the sixteen occupational areas. These standards were identified and validated by a national advisory group of employers, secondary and postsecondary educators, labor associations, and other stakeholders. The Knowledge and Skills provide learners a broad foundation for managing lifelong learning and career transitions in a rapidly changing economy.

**CTAE-FS-1 Technical Skills:** Learners achieve technical content skills necessary to pursue the full range of careers for all pathways in the program concentration.

**CTAE-FS-2 Academic Foundations:** Learners achieve state academic standards at or above grade level.

**CTAE-FS-3 Communications:** Learners use various communication skills in expressing and interpreting information.

**CTAE-FS-4 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking:** Learners define and solve problems, and use problem-solving and

**CTAE-FS-5 Information Technology Applications:** Learners use multiple information technology devices to access, organize, process, transmit, and communicate information.

**CTAE-FS-6 Systems:** Learners understand a variety of organizational structures and functions.

**CTAE-FS-7 Safety, Health and Environment:** Learners employ safety, health and environmental management systems in corporations and comprehend their importance to organizational performance and regulatory compliance.

**CTAE-FS-8 Leadership and Teamwork:** Learners apply leadership and teamwork skills in collaborating with others to accomplish organizational goals and objectives.

**CTAE-FS-9 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities:** Learners commit to work ethics, behavior, and legal responsibilities in the workplace.

**CTAE-FS-10 Career Development:** Learners plan and manage academic-career plans and employment relations.

**CTAE-FS-11 Entrepreneurship:** Learners demonstrate understanding of

concepts, processes, and behaviors associated with successful entrepreneurial performance.

## Intermediate Programming Pacing Guide

Weeks	Standards	Assessment
2 Weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-1. Students will apply knowledge of hardware and software components.</b></p> <p>a. Explain how Boolean logic is related to computer hardware.            b. Explain how a computer monitor displays text and images.            c. Explain how a graphical button is displayed and how it knows when it has been pushed.</p>	Academic Portfolio Section 1
2 weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-2. Students will apply knowledge of high-level program execution.</b></p> <p>a. Build an interpreter that executes a simple language.            b. Build a compiler that translates one simple language to another.</p>	Academic Portfolio Section 2
2 Week	<p><b>BCS-IP-3. Students will demonstrate knowledge of key concepts in software engineering.</b></p> <p>a. Define software engineering.            b. Compare and contrast software engineering and programming.            c. List the phases in the software life cycle.            d. Perform software requirements analysis.            e. Discuss Extreme Programming and pair programming.            f. Discuss societal and ethical issues in software engineering.</p>	Academic Portfolio Section 3
3 Weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-4. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the important principles in user interface design.</b></p> <p>a. List the criteria used to determine the effectiveness of an interface.            b. Apply user interface design criteria to critique common user interfaces (car door handle, steering wheels, light switches, cell phones, and VCRs).            c. Perform a user-centered task analysis. Identify sub-groups of users and their characteristics.            d. List examples of good and bad user interface designs. Discuss the impact of bad user interface designs.</p>	Academic Portfolio Section 4
4 Weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-5. The student will collaboratively develop solutions for specific problems.</b></p> <p>a. Collaboratively determine a course of action for problem resolution.            b. Design algorithms for problem resolution.            c. Break a task into subtasks required for problem resolution.            d. Select appropriate tools and technology resources to accomplish a variety of tasks.            e. Collaboratively design, combine, test, analyze, and adjust coding solutions based on problem-solving algorithms.            f. Review and discuss coding solutions for elements of</p>	Group Project: A Complicated Simulation Case

	thoroughness and correctness.	
1 Week	<p><b>BCS-IP-6. Students will design solutions for complex programs using advanced programming techniques and constructs.</b></p> <p>a. Implement techniques such as conditional statements, iterative statements, and variables to solve complex problems.</p> <p>b. Utilize basic and advanced mathematical expressions to solve complex problems.</p> <p>c. Create appropriate arrays and lists.</p> <p>d. Utilize various testing and debugging techniques to test classes.</p> <p>e. Design classes that can be used in other programs.</p> <p>f. Analyze and explain simple programs involving advanced programming constructs.</p>	Academic Portfolio Section 5
4 Weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-7. Students will use and develop algorithms to solve complex problems.</b></p> <p>a. Develop algorithms to solve complex problems using pseudocode.</p> <p>b. Interpret algorithms written in pseudocode to code solutions to complex problems.</p> <p>c. Identify properties of well-written algorithms in solving complex problems.</p> <p>d. Use an Action, Components, and Events (ACE) chart to design your GUI components.</p> <p><b>BCS-IP-8. Students will demonstrate knowledge of advanced object-oriented concepts.</b></p> <p>a. Define polymorphism, interface, inheritance, encapsulation, and abstract class.</p> <p>b. Develop programs that use inheritance and interfaces in the development of GUI applications.</p>	Final Project: A Game Design Project of Value-Added CS Model
2 weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-9. Students will apply their knowledge of arrays and lists.</b></p> <p>a. Choose between an array and a list for representing data in a variety of contexts.</p> <p>b. Create one- and two-dimensional arrays of the correct size for a variety of problems.</p> <p>c. Describe how elements are removed and added to a list.</p> <p>d. Implement common searching and sorting algorithms for arrays.</p>	Academic Portfolio section 6
2 weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-10. Students will demonstrate an understanding of stacks and queues.</b></p> <p>a. Use stacks and queues to solve a variety of problems.</p> <p>b. List common uses of stacks and queues.</p> <p>c. Explain the function of an event queue.</p>	Academic Portfolio Section 7
3 weeks	<b>BCS-IP-11. Students will identify the physical constraints on</b>	Academic

	<p><b>computing.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Investigate miniaturization and its relationship to sub-atomic concerns.</li> <li>b. Identify the thermodynamic limits on energy dissipation.</li> <li>c. Identify the speed-of-light limitations on computing and discuss its implications.</li> <li>d. Explain and give examples of parallel processing.</li> </ul> <p><b>BCS-IP-12. Students will examine the limits to computing based on complexity and computability.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Define complexity theory.</li> <li>b. Compare polynomial time versus exponential time.</li> <li>c. Define non-deterministic and intractable.</li> <li>d. Discuss the importance of computational time in relationship to solvable problems.</li> <li>e. Explain the Turing Machine and its relationship to the halting problem.</li> </ul>	Portfolio Section 8
11 Weeks	<p><b>BCS-IP-7. Students will use and develop algorithms to solve complex problems.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Develop algorithms to solve complex problems using pseudocode.</li> <li>b. Interpret algorithms written in pseudocode to code solutions to complex problems.</li> <li>c. Identify properties of well-written algorithms in solving complex problems.</li> <li>d. Use an Action, Components, and Events (ACE) chart to design your GUI components.</li> </ul> <p><b>BCS-IP-8. Students will demonstrate knowledge of advanced object-oriented concepts.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Define polymorphism, interface, inheritance, encapsulation, and abstract class.</li> <li>b. Develop programs that use inheritance and interfaces in the development of GUI applications.</li> </ul> <p><b>BCS-IP-9. Students will apply their knowledge of arrays and lists.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Choose between an array and a list for representing data in a variety of contexts.</li> <li>b. Create one- and two-dimensional arrays of the correct size for a variety of problems.</li> <li>c. Describe how elements are removed and added to a list.</li> </ul>	<p>Academic Portfolio Section 5 and 6 Revise of code</p> <p>Project: Project management and object orientation</p> <p>Project: Project management and algorithm flow</p> <p>Final Project: A software development project</p>