

Information Retrieval

Name: _____

Student ID: _____

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Attendance:
Students are responsible for material that is distributed and orally communicated during class. If you miss class, please arrange before-hand with a friend to get notes/handouts for you. If you know you are going to miss something important, contact the instructor beforehand.

Students are responsible for all material taught in this course. If you join the class later in the quarter, you are expected to complete all missed work immediately, including this assignment.

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Communication with instructor:
If you need to communicate with Prof. Lopes, do it using the following channels, by order of preference:

- 1) Before or after class
- 2) During office hours
- 3) Email

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Email correspondence:
While communication in general is encouraged, Email communication is highly discouraged. Nevertheless, if you cannot do it via the other channels, please include the class code "[CS221]" or "[INF225]" at the beginning of the subject line. I will try to answer properly composed email messages within 48 hours during business days.
Email communication will not be answered during weekends or holidays.
Messages without the prefix in the subject line will not be answered.

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Announcements:
Critical announcements will be emailed to your UCI Net ID / Login via the class mailing list. Please make sure it is set up properly and being forwarded to whichever account you normally read email from. Make sure it is not on your spam list or being filtered as junk mail. The mailing list is managed through EEE.
A test email has been sent to this address. If you do not receive by the end of the first day of class, please investigate the problem so that you do not miss required information.
Many non-critical but important announcements will be made in class.

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Late Homework Penalty:
Due dates are usually 11:59pm local time on the day an assignment is due. Late homework will be accepted for 1 week after due date with the following penalties:

- 1) -1% for every late hour on the first 24 hours after the due date
- 2) flat 25% from thereafter until 1 week after due date

No late homework 1 week or more after due date.

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Sick Policy:
Generally, sicknesses will be treated on a case by case basis. If you find that you are unable to honor a deadline or a quiz due to sickness, please get some documentation from a health care provider to assist me in maintaining fairness to the other students in the class. The normal cold/flu will not be given any special consideration -- that is why only 3 out of 4 quizzes will count. I will accommodate your more serious illness as best as we can, depending on the circumstances.

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Incompletes:

I will only offer an incomplete grade to a student who, through some unforeseen emergency, is unable to complete the requirements of the course. Failing to turn in the assignments on time will likely get you an F, **but never an Incomplete.**

See UCI's policy regarding Incomplete (I) at

<http://www.reg.uci.edu/grades/gradingpolicy.html>

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Academic honesty:

Please familiarize yourself with the latest UCI academic honesty policy:

<http://www.editor.uci.edu/catalogue/appx/appx.2.htm>

In a nutshell - you may never use anyone else's work without clearly acknowledging the source. This includes code you find on the web, text from books, and answers from friends. Plagiarism is any work that you use that you did not create and do not credit. If you plagiarize another work without crediting the source, you will receive a failing grade for the entire course at the discretion of the instructor.

Our academic system relies on properly crediting the source for everything to function.

It takes 2 seconds to cite your source. If you want to be intellectually lazy, take a different course.

If an assignment explicitly requires you to do the work yourself, then acknowledging the source of an answer does not fulfill the requirements of the assignment. When in doubt, ask the instructor.

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Web Materials:

The web page for the class is subject to update. Check it frequently and be sure to refresh / reload the Web pages when you browse them.

Please follow the assignments exactly. If you need clarification, ask before the assignment is due.

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Students with Disabilities or Special Needs:

Any student who feels he or she may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability, religious observance (or anything else) should contact me privately to discuss his or her specific needs. If appropriate, contact the Disability Services Center at (949) 824-7494 as soon as possible to better ensure that such accommodations are implemented in a timely fashion.

I acknowledge these course policies: _____