WI - ICS 100 - Computing Literacy & Applications

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WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai‘i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide O‘ahu’s Ko‘olau region and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment — inspiring students to excellence.

Catalogue Description

WI - ICS 100 Computing Literacy and Applications (3)
An introductory survey of computers and their role in the information world emphasizing computer terminology, hardware and software. Opportunities for “hands-on” experience using applications software may include spreadsheets, word processing, presentations, communications and databases. (3 hours lecture) Recommended Preparation: ENG 22 and MATH 22 or higher.

WI - ICS 100 Classes and Times

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Student Learning Outcomes

1. Utilize the basic features of computer applications to communicate effectively (major content area).
2. Utilize operating system interfaces to manage computer resources effectively.
3. Utilize online resources for research and communication.
4. Define, explain, and demonstrate proper computer terminology usage in areas such as hardware, software, and communications.
5. Describe ethical and security issues involved in the use of computing technology.

Writing Intensive Hallmarks

1. The course uses writing to promote the learning of course materials.
2. The course provides interaction between teacher and students while students do assigned writing.
3. Writing contributes significantly to each student's course grade.
4. The course requires students to do a substantial amount of writing--a minimum of 4000 words, or about 16 pages.

### Assignments, Tasks, and Grading

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<th>Course Content</th>
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<td><strong>Simnet:</strong> Simnet is an online interactive course management system that will be used extensively in this course. The Simnet simulations and exams will account for <strong>35%</strong> of your final grade. <em>All Simnet lessons and exams must be completed by the assigned due dates.</em></td>
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<td><strong>Projects:</strong> There will be as total of 4 projects assigned during the semester that will account for <strong>20%</strong> of your final grade. <em>All Projects must be completed by the assigned due dates.</em></td>
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<td><strong>Laulima Discussions:</strong> There will be a total of 5 Laulima Discussions posted in Laulima throughout the semester. The Discussions will account for <strong>20%</strong> of your final grade. <em>All Discussion must be completed by the assigned due dates.</em></td>
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<td><strong>Reflection Papers:</strong> There will be a total of 4 Reflection Papers administered throughout the semester. The Reflections Papers will account for <strong>25%</strong> of your final grade. <em>All Reflection Papers must be completed by the assigned due dates.</em></td>
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**Grading**

Your Final Grade will be calculated from a 100-point grading system.

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<td>D</td>
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<td>F</td>
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**Attendance & Active Participation**

Attending class regularly is essential to succeeding in this course. If you are absent, check the Announcements page in Laulima to see what was covered on the day/s you missed. For distance learning courses, attendance consists of logging into Laulima at least once a week to check the weekly announcements. **Important Note:** At the end of the semester, students bordering in-between grades will automatically be given the higher grade if they have attended class regularly and have been actively participating during class discussions.

**Incompletes & N grades**
No *Incomplete* or *N grades* will be given in this course. You must take responsibility to complete the course or withdrawal.

### Overview of Writing Intensive Requirements

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The total amount writing done in this course will be the equivalent to 16-20 pages or 4000 words. The bullet points below will breakdown the various writings (*formal* and *informal*) that will be required to complete this course.

- **Laulima Discussions** (informal writing): There will be a total of 5 Laulima Discussions administered during the semester. You will be required to write a response to the original discussion topic using 300 words or more. Then, reply to one or more of your classmates’ posts using 50 words or more.

- **Reflection Papers** (formal & informal writing)
  - *Informal*: There will be a total of 3 informal reflections papers relating to technology and education. Each paper must contain a minimum of 400 words.
  
  - *Formal*: You will be required to write a Final Reflection Paper based off of the informal writings from your *Online Discussions* and/or *Reflections Papers*. Your Final Reflection Paper must include a minimum of 1000 words.

- **Reflection Papers Formatting Requirements**: Your Reflection Papers should be formatted using the following Technical Requirements:
  - Times or Times New Roman font - 12 point
  - Double spaced
  - 1 inch margins

The table below will breakdown of the assigned writing activities. Each writing activity must contain the required amount of words in order to receive full-credit for the assignment.

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<td>Final Paper</td>
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**Conference with Instructor** - You will be required to meet with the instructor for a conference (at least once) during the semester to discuss your writings and ideas for your Final Reflection
Paper. The conference may be done over the phone, email, Skype, chatroom, or through a face-to-face meeting.

### Important Dates

- **August 21, 2017 - First Day of Instruction**
- **September 4, 2017 - HOLIDAY - Labor Day**
- **September 12, 2017 - Last day to withdraw without a “W” grade**
- **October 30, 2017 - Last day to with a “W” grade**
- **November 10, 2017 - HOLIDAY - Veterans’ Day**
- **November 23, 2017 - HOLIDAY - Thanksgiving Day**
- **December 7, 2017 - Last Day of Instruction**

### Learning Resources

**Simnet ($90 approximate)**

Simnet is an online interactive learning and course management system that will be used extensively in this course. You will need to purchase a Simnet access code by the 1st week of instruction in order to complete weekly lessons and exams. The combined scores for Simnet lessons and exams will account for 35% of your final grade. The access code may be purchased online or from the WCC bookstore. Please keep in mind that you will save approximately $20 by purchasing the code online.

**Laulima:** Laulima is an online course management system and will be used extensively in this course. The class schedule, assignments, and announcements will be posted and administered through Laulima. [https://laulima.hawaii.edu/portal](https://laulima.hawaii.edu/portal) The class Announcements will also include the Due Dates for any course work that may be due at the end of each week. It is CRUCIAL to check your email, the Course Schedule, and the Announcements page regularly to make sure you are keeping up with the requirements and pace of the course.

**Computer Platform**

The Simnet sections of this course were designed to be completed using a PC. **Important Note:** Although it is possible to complete this course using a Mac, please note that technical support for Mac users will be available on a limited basis.

**Required Software**

The majority of the assigned work for this course focuses using the software applications in Microsoft Office 2016. **Important Note:** If you do not have a copy of the Microsoft Office Software, you can click here to download a free version of Office 365 that is available to WCC students.

**Computer Lab Paper**

The Academic Computing Services grants each new Windward Community College student an initial paper allowance for printing documents. Once it is used, students have to pay for paper...
usage at the Library. This policy will be discussed in the first week of our class. Please arrange for paper credit at the Library to avoid last-minute dashes to the Library during exams. (http://www.wcc.hawaii.edu/students/Downloads/Uniprint.htm)

**Policies**

**Late Work Policy**

All Course Work must be completed by the assigned due dates. Late work will not be accepted.

*Exceptions will be made at the discretion of the instructor in the event of unforeseen circumstances (e.g. illness, housing, death in family) that may occur during the semester.*

**Disabilities Accommodation Statement**

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Ann Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale ʻAkoakoa 213 for more information.

**Academic Dishonesty—Cheating and Plagiarism**

Students assume full responsibility for the content and integrity of the academic work they submit. The guiding principle of academic integrity shall be that a student's submitted files, work, examinations, reports, and projects must be that of the student's own work. See the Windward Community College catalog for details. Students shall be guilty of cheating if they:

- Represent the work of others as their own (plagiarism).
- Use or obtain unauthorized assistance in any academic work.
- Give unauthorized assistance to other students.
- Modify, without instructor approval, an examination, paper, record, or report for the purpose of obtaining additional credit.
- Misrepresent the content of submitted work.

**Important Note:** If you are caught cheating in any area of the course, you may be placed on probation for a semester.

**A Note From The Instructor**

Please feel free to contact me anytime during the semester (email is best) if you have any questions, problems, or concerns regarding the course. I check my email multiple times a day and respond to all emails promptly. I am also available to meet through face-to-face, over the phone, and through online appointments. You may also contact me if there are unforeseen circumstances (e.g. illness, housing, death in family) that may occur during the semester. If I do not have the knowledge or resources available to help you, I will refer you to a specific department or faculty member that does.
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