CSE 506:
Operating Systems

Introduction
Today’s Lecture

• Course Overview
• Course Topics
• Grading
• Logistics
• Academic Integrity Policy
• Key concepts from Undergrad Operating Systems
Course Overview (1/3)

• Caveat 1: This is only the 3\textsuperscript{rd} time I teach this class.
• Caveat 2: The 2\textsuperscript{nd} time I taught it, it was too hard.

• Operating Systems are the \textit{software} that \textit{managers} computers’ \textit{resources}
Course Overview (2/3)

• Ever wonder what the OS does, anyway?

• Operating System is an umbrella term
  – **Kernel**: resource manager
  – **Standard Libraries**: APIs to interface with the kernel
  – **Utilities**: tools to work with system

• This course is mostly about the **kernel**
  – What’s inside the kernel
  – What interface this presents to libraries and software
Course Overview (3/3)

• This course is hard, roughly like CSE 502
  – In CSE 502, you learn what’s inside a CPU
  – In CSE 506, you learn what’s inside an OS

• This is a project course
  – Learn why things are the way they are, first hand
  – We will build an operating system
  – If you don’t know C, you need to learn it quickly
  – If you do not work hard on the project, you will fail
Course Topics

- Intro/Review
- What Software Expects of the OS
- What Hardware Provides to the OS
- Virtual Memory
- Scheduling
- Storage
- Networking
- Multi-threading
- Multi-processing

Will devote most attention to items in **bold**
## Grading (Standard Option)

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### Course Project Points

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Without curve, need 100 points to get an A
Grading (Research Option)

• If you are...
  – Pursuing a PhD
  – Pursuing an MS thesis
  – Planning to take 523/524 with me

• You may select a research option for the grade
  – Only available with instructor’s approval

• When selecting this option...
  – Must work alone on everything
  – Attain at least 60 points of the Standard Option
  – Grade will be based on subjective research progress

Note: Of the two, this is the harder option
Logistics (1/4)

• Project milestones
  – There are *no* official project milestones
  – If *you* need milestones, send me a milestone schedule
    • I will deduct 5 points for each milestone you miss

• Books
  – Operating System Concepts
    by Silberschatz, Galvin, Gagne (tried and true)
  – Operating Systems: Principles and Practice
    by Anderson and Dahlin (beta)
  – The C Programming Language
    by Kernighan and Ritchie (definitive guide to C)
Logistics (2/4)

• Working in groups
  – Permitted on everything except Final
  – Groups may range in size from 1 to 80 people
    • Points deducted on group work are multiplied by group size
    • Permission of instructor is needed for group size greater than two

• Attendance
  – Optional (but highly advised)
  – No laptop, tablet, or phone use in class
    • Don’t test me - I will deduct grade points
Logistics (3/4)

- **Blackboard**
  - Only used for posting grades

- **Course Mailing List**
  - Subscription is *required*
    

- **Late Policy**
  - All deadlines are *before* the start of lecture on due date
  - 1-point deducted for each late day (in 24-hour increments)
    - Multiplied by number of group members
Logistics (4/4)

• Wait list is currently full

• Grad students often over-enroll
  – Space likely to open up in first week
  – If you want in, keep showing up for a few lectures

• Worst case: 506 in the fall
  – Offered every semester going forward
Academic Integrity Policy

• Summary: don’t cheat
• Details: don’t take code from anyone for any reason
  – Unmodified third-party open-source libraries permitted
  – You may not look at code from previous years
  – You may not look at code from courses at other schools

I will enforce this policy very strictly
Questions?