Introduction
CSC 213 – February 1, 2021
Agenda for Today

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Introductions
Hello ...

My name is _________________.
I would prefer to be called _______________.
I use the pronouns ____________ (they/them/their, she/her/hers, he/him/his, ...).
The last program I wrote was _______________.
Course Information
Basic Information

Course Website
www.cs.grinnell.edu/~curtsinger/teaching/2021S1/CSC213/

Textbook
Operating Systems: Three Easy Pieces
by Remzi H. Arpacı-Dusseau and Andrea C. Arpacı-Dusseau

Class Mentors
Isa Nation and Quang Nguyen
Highlights from the Syllabus

Read before class
  Assigned reading is listed on the course schedule. Read assigned sections before class on that day.

Participate in class
  Attendance is not required, but you'll have to be here to participate.
  Participation will make up 20% of your overall grade in the course.

Complete assignments individually, and labs collaboratively
  You'll complete roughly two assignments each week—do those on your own.
  There are also two labs each week—you must work with your assigned group!
Graded Work

Participation (20%)
I'll call on students randomly during class. I'll be keeping track of who participates and shows evidence they've prepared for the day's topics.

Individual Assignments (20%)  
You'll complete two individual assignments each week. You must complete these on your own. Most will require programming, and many have autograders that give you immediate feedback. Start early!

Labs (60%)  
You'll complete nine labs over the term. You must work with your assigned group on labs—no dividing up work, completing the lab on your own, or letting your partner(s) do the lab for you.
Why Study Operating Systems?
Basic Questions

What is an operating system?

- An abstraction of the computer's hardware.
- A resource manager - CPU, memory, disk
- A scheduler - when do things happen?

What are an operating system's responsibilities?

- Keep things running smoothly, even when failures occur.
- Manage memory - allocate it to programs, keep them separate.
- Enforce protections/isolation - control access to files, other resources.
What are the three themes our textbook uses for discussing OS? Give an example for each theme.
Design Goals

What are some design goals for an OS?

*Example:* Performance – The OS should not slow down our programs.
Parts of an OS, and which ones we'll study

- Normal Programs
- Libraries
- Kernel
- Drivers
- Hardware

We'll mostly work here
Setting Up for Remote Work
Our Development Environment

Your Computer

Visual Studio Code

Your Partner

Visual Studio Code

Math LAN

noyce.cs.grinnell.edu

SSH

Live Share
Wrap Up
Upcoming Work

Set up for remote work
   Hopefully you're nearly done with this now. You'll need this setup for your first assignment and for tomorrow's lab. Let me know ASAP if you've run into problems with the setup.

Read for Tuesday
   Review our first lab on the course website

Start the first individual assignment
   The assignment is due at 11:59pm (Grinnell time) on Thursday. You can submit as many times as you like up to the deadline. The autograder will let you know how you're doing.