

San José State University
Department of Computer Science
CS 156, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, Section 1, Spring 2021

Course and Contact Information

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Office Hours:	Monday 3-4 PM, Wednesday 4-5 PM, Thursday 3-4 PM
Class Days/Time:	Tuesday/Thursday 10:30AM - 11:45AM
Classroom:	Online via Zoom
Prerequisites:	CS 146 and either CS 151 or CMPE 135 with a grade of C- or better in each

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Class Participation

You are expected to attend all class meetings as you are responsible for all the material discussed. Since active participation is essential to ensure maximum benefit, we'll use iClicker to give everyone a chance to participate. The iClicker participation points may be used to give your final grade in the course a slight boost.

Workload

Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally three hours per unit per week) for instruction, preparation/studying, or course related activities, including but not limited to internships, labs, and clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.

Grading Information

Determination of Grades

The final grade in the course will be calculated based on the following percentages:

Homework Assignments: 40%

Exam 1: 15%

Exam 2: 15%

Final Exam: 30%

The iClicker participation points may be used to give your final grade a slight boost. Students with the highest score will get 1 bonus point. Students who violate the academic integrity policy are not eligible. No extra credit options will be given.

Late Work

Late assignments will be accepted with a 1-point penalty for each day or partial day late. Late days include weekend days. For example, an assignment due on Monday by 5 PM will incur a penalty of 1 point if submitted at 8AM on Tuesday. Everyone gets two free 'late days' for the semester. No submissions will be accepted more than 2 days late.

Grade Scale

The letter grade will be determined based on the following scale:

A+ = 98% - 100%

A = 93% - 97%

A- = 90% - 92%

B+ = 87% - 89%

B = 83% - 86%

B- = 80% -

- ◁ Limit your distractions/avoid multitasking: you can make it easier to focus on the meeting by turning off notifications, closing or minimizing running apps, and putting your smartphone away (unless you are using it to access Zoom).
- ◁ If using a virtual background, it should be appropriate and professional and should NOT suggest or include content that is objectively offensive or demeaning.

Recording Zoom Classes

This course will be recorded for instructional purposes. The recordings will only be shared with students enrolled in the class through Canvas. If, however, you would prefer to remain anonymous during these recordings, then please speak with the instructor about possible accommodations (e.g., temporarily turning off identifying information from the Zoom session, including student name and picture, prior to recording).

Students are not allowed to record without instructor permission

Students are prohibited from recording class activities, distributing class recordings, or posting class recordings. Materials created by the instructor for the course (syllabi, lectures and lecture notes, presentations, etc.) are copyrighted by the instructor. This university policy (S12-7) is in place to protect the privacy of students in the course, as well as to maintain academic integrity through reducing the instances of cheating. Students who record, distribute, or post these materials will be referred to the Student Conduct and Ethical Development office. Unauthorized recording may violate university and state law. It is the responsibility of students that require special accommodations or assistive technology due to a disability to notify the instructor.

University Policies

Per University Policy S16-9, university-wide policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs' [Syllabus Information web page](#) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/>. Make sure to review these policies and resources.

