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# EECS 16A    Designing Information Devices and Systems I

## Fall 2021    Homework 0

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This homework is due **Friday, August 27, 2021** at 23:59.  
Self-grades are due **Monday, August 30, 2021** at 23:59.

This homework is simply so you can learn how to submit homework assignments and self-grades and so we can get to know you. Make sure you are comfortable with submitting homework assignments and self-grades. Actual homework assignments will start next week.

### Submission Format

Your homework submission should consist of **one** file.

hw0.pdf: A single PDF file that contains all of your answers (any handwritten answers should be scanned). Submit the file to the appropriate assignment on Gradescope.

**1. Survey** To complete this part of the HW, you only have to fill out one (with an optional second) survey and indicate in your submitted answer that you filled them both out. Nothing else is required.

(a) We would like to get to know you all a bit better, please do tell us about yourself!

<https://forms.gle/9Z1ZGFLBvnt1YeHX7>

(b) **(OPTIONAL)** If you are interested in being matched with a study group for EECS 16A, please fill out this form. Joining a study group is not required, but we encourage you to try it, as it's a great way to meet friends in the class!

<https://forms.gle/yPG9MeEqGpms5UWKA>

### 2. Syllabus

Read the course syllabus and answer the following questions.

The syllabus can be found here: <https://eecs16a.org/policies.html>.

(a) What are the dates and times for the quest, both midterms, and the final exam?

If you live in a timezone other than the Pacific Time zone (for Berkeley) compute what times these correspond to for you.

(b) If you need exam accommodation, whom do you contact and how?

(c) When is homework 1 (not this homework) due? When is homework 1's self-grade due? In general, what day of the week is the homework due and at what time? In general, what day of the week are the self-grades due and at what time? If you live in a timezone other than the Pacific Time zone (for Berkeley) compute what times these correspond to for you.

(d) When are homework parties? Homework parties are where groups of students can get together to work on the homework together.

(e) If you attend office hours in person, do you need to add yourself to the online queue at [oh.eecs16a.org](https://oh.eecs16a.org/)?

- (f) How many homework drops do you get? (Reminder: the homework drop is for extenuating circumstance such as getting sick, family emergencies etc. You should plan on completing and submitting all homework assignments and self-grades.)
- (g) If you miss a homework, can you resubmit it for partial credit after the solutions are released? When do you have to submit it by?
- (h) What is the penalty if you turn in your self-grades up to one week late?
- (i) What score will you get on a homework if you do not submit your self-grades?
- (j) There are two ways to get participation credit in the course — by either attending discussions live (in person or over Zoom), or by watching a recorded discussion. Describe the procedures to get discussion credit for both types of participation. How many discussions do you need to attend to get full participation credit?
- (k) Fill in the blank: You should attend one discussion section on \_\_\_\_\_ and one discussion section on \_\_\_\_\_ each week.
- (l) Provide a complete list of everything you must do in order to receive credit for your homework assignments.
- (m) Read the following guide:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bTyQE6-MhExK5ZXP9nW4Zyjo1MHSzZNR-MNq7ExztoY/edit?usp=sharing>.  
What are the five steps in the submission process for a PDF on Gradescope? Please note that if you do not select pages for each question/subquestion we cannot grade your homework and we will be forced to give you a 0.
- (n) What percentage do you need to get on a homework assignment for you to get full credit for the assignment?
- (o) Are the exams in this class in-person or online? Will the exams be proctored?
- (p) Are you allowed to use your own notes during exams?
- (q) Are you allowed to use the Internet or collaborate with other people on exams?
- (r) Fill in the blank:  
If you miss \_\_\_ or more labs you will fail the class.
- (s) Fill in the blank:  
During buffer lab periods, you may get checked off for at most \_\_\_\_\_ missed lab that occurred during that lab module by attending your \_\_\_\_\_ section.

### 3. Academic Honesty

For each scenario described below, indicate whether or not it constitutes academic dishonesty according to course policies. Provide a brief justification for your answer.

Course policies on collaboration can be found here: <https://eecs16a.org/policies.html#collaboration>.

- (a) John downloaded homework solutions off of the Spring 2021 website before they were taken down. When he gets really stuck and can't figure out the next step of a problem, he checks these solutions for a hint.
- (b) Esmeralda and Joseph are working on the homework together with their study group. When Joseph gets stuck on a problem, he explains his logic to Esmeralda and she asks questions to help him figure out where he went wrong. Once they agree on the approach, they both write up their solutions independently.

- (c) Lily has all of her homework finished except for one block of iPython code. At 11:55pm on Friday, she can't get rid of a pesky syntax error, so she has her roommate Michelle send her working code. She pastes this code into her iPython notebook and submits it, citing Michelle as a collaborator.

#### 4. Homework resources

If you need help on a homework problem or have a question about the material, what are some of the resources you might be able to use?

- (i) Homework party
- (ii) TA office hours
- (iii) Professor office hours
- (iv) Asking a friend taking 16A
- (v) Posting on Piazza
- (vi) Going to discussion
- (vii) All of the above