



Orientation Computer Science

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Important guides

- n Study guide
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/opinnot/opinto-opas/opas0708.en.pdf>
http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/opinnot/opinto-opas/opas2007_2008.pdf
- n Teaching programme
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/opinnot/autumn07teaching.html>
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/opinnot/syksy07opetus.html>
- n Main www-page
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/index.en.html>



Important guides cont.

- n Computing Facilities at the Department of Computer Science
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/compfac/index.en.html>
- n Recognition of credits from other institutions for degrees in computer science
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/opiskelu/ohjeet/recognition-of-credits05.html>
- n Orientation Handbook for International Students
http://www.helsinki.fi/admissions/materials/ohb_2007_2008.pdf
- n Orientation www-page
<http://www.helsinki.fi/orientation/>
- n Foreign student tutoring
http://db.cs.helsinki.fi/~mpkakela/mediawiki/index.php?title=Foreign_student_tutoring



Periods

- n 4 periods (6 weeks teaching, one exam week)
 - | I 3 Sept – 21 Oct 2007
 - | II 29 Oct – 16 Dec 2007
 - | III 14 Jan – 2 Mar 2008
 - | IV 10 Mar – 4 May 2008
- n Course Registration (major students) for courses in period I starts on Thu 23 August 2007 at 9:00



Two ways of completing a course

- n Lecture course
- n Separate exam
- n Both requires registration



Lecture Course

- n Usually 4-10 cr
- n Lectures
- n Compulsory or optional exercise groups
- n Assignments
- n Study circles
- n One or two exams (2.5 hours)
- n See course homepage



Separate exam

- n Formally independent of the lecture courses
- n The requirements are based on the the material in the course description
- n Last 3.5 hours
- n Schedule for exams
<http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/kokeet/>



Resit Exam

- n If the courses exercises or laboratoty work is considered a very important part of the course
- n Same course component are required as in the course exam



Grading

- n The grading scale is divided into six (0-5)
- n To gain lowest passing grade, $1/5$, students usually need to gain half of the maximum points
- n $5/6$ of maximum points usually gives $5/5$



Laboratory Work

- n In Bachelor's degree 3 independent works
 - l The Programming project
 - l The Database application
 - l The Datastructures project
- n Each lab work lasts 6 weeks
- n Registration for the lab work is binding



Registration

- n Registration system at the department of Computer Science <http://ilmo.cs.helsinki.fi/english.html>
- n See important dates (study guide) to find out when registration starts
- n For separate and resit exams you should register about two weeks before the exam.
- n If you want the questions in English, contact the examiner two weeks before the exam.



Special tutors

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