

# Welcome!

## COMP1511 18s1

### Programming Fundamentals

# — Lecture 0 — Hello, World!

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course introduction

the big picture

many sights to C

**the bigger picture...**

**what is programming?**

**doesn't have to be in a language like C...**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FN2RM-CHkul>

**why is programming awesome?**

# What?

this is a course where you will...

**learn to program**

**become a confident programmer**

**write code you're proud of**

**discover the joys of programming**

# It can be tricky at first

code won't compile

not sure what's going on

easy to lose track of what you're trying to do

**is "it works" good enough?**

# Who's teaching?

3x lecturers:

**Mr Andrew Bennett**

(that's me!)

**Dr Andrew Taylor**

**Dr John 'jas' Shepherd**

course convenor:

**Dr Andrew Taylor**

course administrator:

**Mei Cheng Whale**

tutors + lab assistants:

**too many to list!**

# Who's learning?

...

**You!**

# Three types of students

red

yellow

green

**Should I take COMP1511?**

# How?

## Lectures

introduce theory and practice of programming

## Tutorials and Laboratories

reinforce ideas and concepts with hands-on examples

## Assignments

assess understanding of C, problem-solving skills

## Weekly Coding Tests

regular and realistic feedback of your understanding of course content

## Final Exam

a 3-hour theory and practical extravaganza, in CSE laboratories

# Assessment

## assignment 0

worth 6%, due week ~5

## assignment 1

worth 12%, due week ~9

## assignment 2

worth 12%, due week ~12

## weekly coding tests

best 8 of 10, worth 8% total, weeks 3-12

## lab exercises

groups, worth 12% total, due weekly

## final exam

3h theory+practical exam, worth 50%, during the exam period

# Communications

official communications from the course  
will come to your UNSW email address  
make sure you can receive emails!

if you set up email forwarding, **test it!**

when you send emails,  
send them from your UNSW email address  
and include your zID...  
don't email from personal email addresses!

to get in touch with the course urgently  
email `<cs1511@cse.unsw.edu.au>`

# Course Forum

ask anything about the course / computing

receive answers from your tutors and classmates

link is on course website, or here: <https://edstem.org/courses/1950/>

# Course Evaluation and Development

assessed with **myExperience** and the **Sturep Survey**

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informal feedback during the semester is very welcome!

let us know of any problems as soon as they arise  
we can't fix problems we don't know about

# Conduct and Integrity

treat people with **courtesy** and **respect**  
... we are **all** humans ...

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pretending someone else's work is yours is **not okay**.

CSE is a bit different to other places...  
we don't care *how* you reference,  
we just care *that* you reference

**important:** read the course outline!

# More information?

course material lives on WebCMS3

[webcms3.cse.unsw.edu.au/COMP1511/18s1](http://webcms3.cse.unsw.edu.au/COMP1511/18s1)

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please read the **course outline!**

# How to do well in this course

**practice consistently** across the **entire** course

**prepare** for all tutorials and labs  
by attempting the questions **before** your class.

attend all tutorials and labs.

**ask questions.**

use your resources.

make a list of each compile error you get,  
and how you fixed it.

(they will come back to haunt you repeatedly... this will be invaluable.)

# Resources

**optional** textbook: Alistair Moffat

*Programing, Problem Solving, and Abstraction with C*  
(Pearson Educational, 2003; ISBN 978 1 74103 080 3)

**Google is your friend,**  
as is Stack Overflow,  
especially when debugging compile errors

# Getting Help

read the **course forum**

ask your questions there, if they're not answered

ask one of your COMP1511 peers

ask your tutor! (they are all very friendly :-)

talk to me after lectures

# Getting Started

Before the end of this week, you should:

do **Lab 1**.

be able to write a 'hello world' program  
from your **CSE account at uni**, and

be able to write the 'hello world' program  
from your **home computer**.

# The CSE Labs

CSE has lab computers...

unlike other workstations at UNSW,  
these don't run Windows;  
they run Linux, which is very different

the easiest way to use these  
(if you're not in a lab)  
is using VLAB

use your **zID** and **zPass** to log in  
if you don't have a zID/zPass,  
you should fix that asap!

# It's All Text!

we write programs in a **text editor**  
very different to (e.g.) Word or Pages

we'll be programming in **C**  
which has well-defined rules for how the language works,  
which means we can use this to describe  
something that can be turned into a program  
that the computer can run

**let's try it!**



# Hello World

```
// Prints out a friendly message.  
// Andrew Bennett <andrew.bennett@unsw.edu.au>  
// 2018-02-27  
  
#include <stdio.h>  
  
int main (void) {  
  
    // Print out the famous 'hello world' message.  
    printf ("Hello, world!\n");  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Navigating on Unix

**pwd** shows where you currently are

```
$ pwd  
/import/ravel/2/andrewb
```

**ls** lists the items in the current directory

```
$ ls  
18s1  bin  lib  public_html  tmp  web
```

**mkdir** makes a new directory

```
$ mkdir cs1511  
$ ls  
18s1  bin  cs1511  lib  public_html  tmp  web
```

# Navigating on Unix

**cd** changes directory

```
$ cd cs1511
$ pwd
/import/ravel/2/andrewb/cs1511
$ ls
$
```

**cd ..** changes into the previous directory

```
$ cd ..
$ pwd
/import/ravel/2/andrewb
```

# Writing a Program

to create a C program from the terminal,  
open a text editor like **gedit**

```
$ gedit hello.c &
```

once the code is written and saved...  
compile it with **gcc**!

```
$ gcc -o hello hello.c
```