
CSE 481A Capstone Software Design: Operating Systems

Credits

5.0 (3 hrs lecture, 2 hrs+ meeting times)

Lead Instructor

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Textbook

None

Course Description

Students work in teams to design and implement a software project involving multiple areas of the CSE curriculum. Emphasis is placed on the development process itself, rather than on the product.

Prerequisites

CSE 331 or CSE 341; CSE 326 or CSE 332; CSE 351 or CSE 378; substantial programming experience such as CSE 451 or CSE 457.

CE Major Status

Selected Elective

Course Objectives

Build on the fundamental computer operating system knowledge learned in the introductory course and see how those concepts are actually incorporated in the Windows operating system. Student teams work on adding extensions to the operating system and gain valuable software engineering experience.

ABET Outcomes

- (a) an ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering
- (b) an ability to design and conduct experiments, as well as to analyze and interpret data
- (c) an ability to design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability
- (d) an ability to function on multi-disciplinary teams
- (e) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems
- (f) an understanding of professional and ethical responsibility
- (g) an ability to communicate effectively
- (h) the broad education necessary to understand the impact of engineering solutions in a global, economic, environmental, and societal context
- (i) a recognition of the need for, and an ability to engage in life-long learning
- (j) knowledge of contemporary issues
- (k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice

Course Topics

- The Windows Operating System internals provides a fundamental basis for the lectures, but this material is highly augmented with the engineering fundamentals that went into designing and building the system.