CAAM 519 Fall 2015 Policies

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1 Assignment submission policy

Assignments will account for 100% of the course grade. There will be no timed, in classroom, examinations. Homework will be assigned up to 10 times, with due dates ranging from one to two weeks later. You should turn in your assignment exactly as described in the preamble of the posted assignment PDF files. No other method will be accepted, except in extreme circumstances and with prior approval of the instructor.

2 Delayed assignment policy

Occasionally you may not be able to complete an assignment on time. As soon as you know that you will not be able to meet the deadline for an assignment you must contact the instructor to request an extension. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis, with no guarantee of being granted. You may not request an extension after the due date. If you are granted an extension you must pledge to not review any solutions that have been posted on the course website.

3 Pledged assignment policy

- The pledge status of an assignment will be clearly expressed in the preamble for each assignment. Read the preamble clearly to establish the parameters of the assignment.

- Most of the assignments will be unpledged - that is, you are encouraged to work together with your fellow students in completing these assignments. It is probably a good idea to form groups or teams that work together throughout the semester, but that is up to you. I dont care whether you actually get together or not, as you can work by email/IM/Skype almost as well.

- If you work together in groups, everyone must turn in their own version of the assignment.

- The emphasis on collaboration is very deliberate: developing software is very often a collaborative process, and other people can help with design,

debugging, redesign, and refactoring. You will learn a lot from your fellow students, possibly more than you learn from the instructor.

- To facilitate evaluation, up to three of the assignments will be pledged, ie. to be done individually, without assistance, and turned with the standard Rice honor pledge written as part of the text. Each will correspond to and require mastery of a main thrust of the course, and may require a more involved project.