

Department of Computer Science and Engineering

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CS 491m/791m Human-Computer Interaction

Assignment #1

August 30, 2006

Due: Tuesday, September 12, 5:00 pm

Points: 40

Weight in course grade: 5%

For this assignment you have to decide on an HCI topic of your choice, select two related technical articles on the topic, and write critical summaries of the two articles. Each summary should be between 400 and 600 words.

Indicate the selected topic's title (HCI area) and the complete references for the articles (authors, title, volume, place of publication, date, pages). For each article, the summary should describe: the main goal(s) of the article, the most important ideas put forth by the authors (at least three), several details (smaller points) you find interesting in the article, and your personal views on the ideas presented.

The articles should be of medium size (e.g., 5 to 8 pages Communications of the ACM format) and should be journal or conference. Attach to your assignment pointers to the two articles (if they are freely available) or their photocopies (if they are more difficult to obtain by the instructor). By the due date, hand-in the assignment to the instructor in room SEM-236.