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CS 793z Independent Studies on Software Engineering

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Course requirements:

- **2 Memos**
- **2 PowerPoint Presentations summarizing the textbook selected**
- **1 Paper or Project in 2 phases**

Important note: The material submitted for fulfilling the requirements for this course should not have been used in other courses.

Deliverables: [In the following, PDF document size indications assume page format A4, 1 inch margin each side, font Arial 10, 1.5 lines spaced, single column; PPT size indications assume reasonable use of text and figures on slides, neither too dense nor too sparse]. In chronological order of **due dates**:

Memo 1: Topic and textbook selection [Software Engineering]

Due: **Monday October 8, 2007** at 5:00 pm [single PDF file, by email]
Description: Outline the significance of the topic and what is expected from pursuing it; provide a link to or a description of the textbook selected and explain why you would like to use it (the topic and the book have to be approved by the instructor).
Min. length: 400 words
Points: 20
Weight: 5%

Memo 2: Paper or project selection

Due: **Monday October 22, 2007** at 5:00 pm [single PDF file, by email]
Description: Indicate whether you select the paper or the project option and provide a title and an abstract for the paper/project. The textbook selected should have a significant role in the paper/project.
Min. length: A title of maximum 15 words and an abstract of between 250 and 400 words
Points: 20
Weight: 5%

Presentation 1: Overview of the first part of the textbook

Due: **Monday November 5, 2007** at 5:00 pm [PPT file, by email]
Description: A presentation of the most important aspects of the first part of the textbook; if delivered, the presentation should be about 30-minute long.
Min. length: 25 slides

Points: 50
Weight: 20%

Paper/Project Phase 1: Intermediary results - project prototype or paper draft

Due: **Monday November 19, 2007** at 5:00 pm [PDF file, by email]
Description: A description of the project's prototype so far, with an account of results/features available and a list of expected results/features at the end of Phase 2 OR an initial draft of the paper (with some sections possibly only outlined).
Min. length: 7 pages
Points: 100
Weight: 15%

Presentation 2: Overview of the second part of the textbook

Due: **Monday December 3, 2007** at 5:00 pm [PPT file, by email]
Description: A presentation of the most important aspects of the second part of the textbook; if delivered, the presentation should be about 30-minute long.
Min. length: 25 slides
Points: 50
Weight: 20%

Paper/Project Phase 2: Final results: project prototype or paper draft

Due: **Friday December 14, 2007** at 5:00 pm [PDF file, by email]
Description: A description of the project's prototype OR a final paper.
Min. length: 15 pages
Points: 100
Weight: 35%

Grading scale:	A	92 -100	[maximum 100]
	A-	88 - 91	
	B+	85 - 87	
	B	81 - 84	
	B-	77 - 80	
	C+	74 - 76	
	C	70 - 73	
	C-	66 - 69	
	D+	62 - 65	
	D	58 - 61	
	D-	50 - 57	
	F	< 50	

Late submissions: Late submissions of homework will be penalized with a deduction of 10% of the grade per late day, to a maximum of three late days for each submission. No material will be accepted after three days past the deadline. Note that the instructor will NOT send you reminders about deliverables' due dates.

On plagiarism and cheating:

Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated. It will be dealt with according to the policies of the University of Nevada, Reno regarding academic dishonesty. Please read these policies at www.unr.edu/stsv/acdispol.html