COMP 690A/B —
RESEARCH METHODS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

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Course Description:

This course introduces basic skills required for conducting research in Computer Science, such as data analysis tools, peer review guidelines, technical writing and presentation. It also offers training on creative thinking and problem-solving skills. To learn the skills hands on, each student is required to work on an individual course project throughout the course, starting from surveying the literature to proposing a topic to finishing a report and presenting it to the department.

Prerequisite: N/A

Evaluation (Tentative):

Presentations: 30%
Assignments: 40%
Project Report: 30%

Course Topics:

Introduction
Literature Search (presentation)
Peer Review (assignment + presentation)
Typesetting Documents (assignment)
Data Analysis (assignment)
Creative Thinking
Final Project (presentation)
Resources:

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