



# Course Specifications

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| <b>Course Title:</b> | Compiler Design                             |
| <b>Course Code:</b>  | CSI413                                      |
| <b>Program:</b>      | Computer Science and Information Technology |
| <b>Department:</b>   | Computer Science and Information.           |
| <b>College:</b>      | College of Science in Zulfi                 |
| <b>Institution:</b>  | Majmaah University                          |

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## A. Course Identification

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| <b>1. Credit hours:</b> 3  |
| <b>2. Course type</b>  |
| a. University <input type="checkbox"/> College <input type="checkbox"/> Department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elective <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| <b>3. Level/year at which this course is offered:</b> 7 <sup>th</sup>  |
| <b>4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any):</b><br>CSI 222<br>CSI 221   |
| <b>5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):</b><br>None  |

### 6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction   | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1  | Traditional classroom | 42            | 70%        |
| 2  | Blended               | 6             | 10%        |
| 3  | E-learning            | 6             | 10%        |
| 4  | Correspondence        | 0             | 0%         |
| 5  | Other                 | 6             | 10%        |

### 7. Actual Learning Hours (based on academic semester)

| No                           | Activity                        | Learning Hours |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Contact Hours</b>         |                                 |                |
| 1                            | Lecture                         | 30             |
| 2                            | Laboratory/Studio               | 20             |
| 3                            | Tutorial                        | 10             |
| 4                            | Others (specify)                |                |
|                              | <b>Total</b>                    | 60             |
| <b>Other Learning Hours*</b> |                                 |                |
| 1                            | Study                           | 10             |
| 2                            | Assignments                     | 3              |
| 3                            | Library                         | 2              |
| 4                            | Projects/Research Essays/Theses | 1              |
| 5                            | Others (specify)                | 4              |
|                              | <b>Total</b>                    | 20             |

\* The length of time that a learner takes to complete learning activities that lead to achievement of course learning outcomes, such as study time, homework assignments, projects, preparing presentations, library times

## B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

### 1. Course Description

The goal of this course is to introduce the design and implementation of compilers. Topics include: compiler organization, algorithms for lexical, syntactic and semantic analysis, top-down and bottom-up parsing, symbol table organization, error detection and recovery, intermediate and object code generation, and code optimization. Student has to implement a compiler for a simple high level language (like mini C) as a project.

### 2. Course Main Objective

The goal of this course is to introduce the design and implementation of compilers. Topics include: compiler organization, algorithms for lexical, syntactic and semantic analysis, top-down and bottom-up parsing (e.g., recursive descent, LL, LR, LALR parsing), symbol table organization, error detection and recovery, intermediate and object code generation, and code optimization. Student has to implement a compiler for a simple high level language (like mini C) as a project .

### 3. Course Learning Outcomes

| CLOs |   | Aligned PLOs |
|------|---|--------------|
| 1    | <b>Knowledge:</b>   |              |
| 1.1  | Understand the structure of compilers   | k1           |
| 1.2  | Understand the basic techniques used in compiler construction such as lexical analysis,       | k1           |
| 1.3  | top-down, bottom-up parsing, context-sensitive analysis, and intermediate code generation.    | k1           |
| 2    | <b>Skills :</b>   |              |
| 2.1  | Explain the core issues of Compiler design  | S1           |
| 2.2  | Design and implement a compiler using a software engineering approach                         | S1           |
| 2.3  | Identify problems, and explain, analyze, and evaluate various design strategies of compilers. | S1           |
| 3    | <b>Competence:</b>  |              |
| 3.1  | Work in a group and learn time management.  | C3           |
| 3.2  | Learn how to search for information through library and internet.                             | C3           |
| 3.3  | Communicate with teacher, ask questions, solve problems, and use computers.                   | C3           |
| 3.4  | Use Information technology and computer skills to gather information about a selected topic   | C3           |

## C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics   | Contact Hours |
|----|--|---------------|
| 1  | <b>Introduction to Compilers:</b><br>The role of language translation in the programming process, Comparison of interpreters and compilers, Language translation phases, Machine dependent and machine independent aspects of translation, Language translation as a software engineering activity | 8             |
| 2  | <b>Lexical Analysis:</b>   | 8             |

|              |   |    |
|--------------|---|----|
|              | Application of regular expressions in Lexical Analysis, Scanning, hand coded scanner vs. automatically generated scanners, formal definition of tokens, implementation of finite state automata.                                  |    |
| 3            | <b>Syntax Analysis and Parsing:</b><br>Revision of formal definition of grammars, BNF and EBNF, Bottom-up vs. Top-down parsing, Tabular vs. Recursive-descent parsers, Error handling,  | 12 |
| 4            | <b>Parser Generators:</b><br>Automatic generation of tabular parsers, Symbol table management, Use of tools in support of the translation process   | 12 |
| 5            | <b>Semantic Analysis:</b><br>Data type as set of values with set of operations, data types, Type-checking models, Semantic models of User defined types, Parametric polymorphism, Subtype polymorphism, Type checking algorithms. | 8  |
| 6            | <b>Intermediate Code Generation:</b><br>Intermediate and object code, intermediate representations, implementation of code generators   | 12 |
| <b>Total</b> |   | 60 |

## D. Teaching and Assessment

### 1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code       | Course Learning Outcomes  | Teaching Strategies  | Assessment Methods   |
|------------|---|--|--|
| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Knowledge</b>  |  |  |
| 1.1        | Understand the structure of compilers   | Lectures<br>Lab<br>presentations   | Mid-terms exams<br>Lab exam<br>Homeworks<br>Final exams                |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Skills</b>   |  |  |
| 2.1        | Explain the core issues of Compiler design  | Lectures<br>Lab<br>Individual presentations  | Mid-terms exams<br>Lab exam<br>Homeworks<br>Discussions<br>Final exams |
| 2.2        | Design and implement a compiler using a software engineering approach                         |  |  |
| 2.3        | Identify problems, and explain, analyze, and evaluate various design strategies of compilers. |  |  |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Competence</b>   |  |  |
| 3.1        | Work in a group and learn time management.  | Small group discussion<br>Whole group discussion<br>Brainstorming<br>Presentation demonstrations<br>Case studies | Discussions<br>Presentations   |
| 3.2        | Learn how to search for information through library and internet.                             |  |  |
| 3.3        | Communicate with teacher, ask questions, solve problems, and use computers.                   |  |  |
| 3.4        | Use Information technology and computer skills to gather information about a selected topic   |  |  |

## 2. Assessment Tasks for Students

| # | Assessment task*                                     | Week Due            | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|---|--|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | First written mid-term exam                          | 6                   | 15%                                  |
| 2 | Second written mid-term exam                         | 12                  | 15%                                  |
| 2 | Presentation, class activities, and group discussion | Every week          | 10%                                  |
| 3 | Homework assignments                                 | After every chapter | 10%                                  |
| 4 | Practical exam                                       | 15                  | 10%                                  |
| 5 | Final written exam                                   | 16                  | 40%                                  |

\*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

## E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice :

1. 6-office hours per week in the lecturer schedule.
2. The contact with students by e-mail , mobile, office telephone and website.

## F. Learning Resources and Facilities

### 1. Learning Resources

|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Required Textbooks</b>             | Dick Grune, Kees van Reeuwijk, Henri E. Bal, Cerie J.H. Jacobs, Koen Langendoen, “Modern Compiler Design”, ISBN 978-1-4614-4698-9, Springer New York Heidelberg Dordrecht London, 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2012. |
| <b>Essential References Materials</b> | <a href="https://www.isi.edu/~pedro/Teaching/CSCI565-Spring16/">https://www.isi.edu/~pedro/Teaching/CSCI565-Spring16/</a>   |
| <b>Electronic Materials</b>           | <a href="https://www.coursera.org/">https://www.coursera.org/</a>   |
| <b>Other Learning Materials</b>       | Video and presentations that are available with the instructor.   |

### 2. Facilities Required

| Item   | Resources  |
|--|--|
| <b>Accommodation</b><br>(Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Class Rooms<br><input type="checkbox"/> Computer Labs<br><input type="checkbox"/> Library |
| <b>Technology Resources</b><br>(AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)        | Smart Board, C++   |
| <b>Other Resources</b>   | None   |

| Item   | Resources |
|--|-----------|
| (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list) |           |

### G. Course Quality Evaluation

| Evaluation Areas/Issues        | Evaluators     | Evaluation Methods |
|--------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Analysis of students' results. | Teaching Staff | Direct             |
| Observation during work.       | Teaching Staff | Indirect           |
| Students' evaluations.         | Teaching Staff | Indirect           |
| Colleagues' evaluations.       | Peer Reviewer  | Direct             |

**Evaluation areas** (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

**Evaluators** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

### H. Specification Approval Data

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Council / Committee | DEPARTMENT COUNCIL |
| Reference No.       |                    |
| Date                |                    |