

CS 12 SI SYLLABUS

Session Info:

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Course: CS 12 with Kris Miller
SI Sections: Learning Community
Times: Section 13
Lecture: Monday, 3PM - 4PM, Chung 127
Lab: Wednesday, 3PM - 5PM, Chung 127

What is SI?

Supplemental Instruction is a series of weekly review sessions for students taking historically difficult courses. It offers students the chance to collaborate, discuss challenging concepts, and study for exams.

What isn't SI?

Supplemental Instruction is **not** a lecture. SI Leaders are **not** there to teach you new material but to lead you in reviewing the material covered in lecture and to help guide you in understanding the subject. Please do not forget that SI is *supplemental* meaning that it is *not* a replacement for going to lecture and lab.

Who should go?

Anyone who has the time to spare; whether you have been programming on the side for a number of years or if your only experience with computers is writing essays and checking Facebook, I promise you I will be able to help you learn something new that will help you perform better in the course.

However, if you are having trouble in the class or think you might run into trouble, you should definitely attend. CS 10 has a high dropout rate, along with a high failure rate, so if you are running into trouble, let me help you. Do not be intimidated if you are trying to start coming later in the quarter (though try not to wait that long), I will help bring you up to speed.

Grades/Participation:

SI sessions are not a graded course, however there will be weekly quizzes that will be used to monitor your performance. I have no power with which to get you “extra credit” in the course.

Attendance is mandatory if you are enrolled in the Learning Community. Missing two or more SI Sessions could result in dismissal from the Learning Community.

Guidelines:

- **Be respectful** - This includes silencing your cell phones and not using them during sessions.
- **Participate** - You won't get very much out of SI if you don't.
- **No food or drink besides water** - This is a rule placed by the administration. I will enforce it.
- **Late entry and early exit should be quiet** - I realize everyone's schedules are different. However, please do not enter or leave in such a way that draws everyone's attention to you.
- **Sign in** - There will usually be a working computer for you to sign into when you arrive. Please use it to check in (even if you're not on time).
- **Bring your laptop during lab sessions** - Don't forget to bring your laptop during lab sessions as we will be doing numerous coding activities during that time.