CSE 30: Introduction to System Programming
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Lecture: Monday/Wednesday 5:45-7:05 PM – HSS 1330
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Course Synopsis:

This course has two different and distinct goals. First, is to introduce the concepts behind the architecture and organization of modern computer hardware. Second, to study the assembly language and instruction set architecture of a specific computer, the MIPS R2000. The focus is on understanding the basic concepts to create the necessary framework for upper division CS courses. The goal is to obtain an in-depth understanding of the inner-workings of modern computers, their evolution, and trade-off present at the hardware/software boundary.

Course Grading:

Midterm: 25%
Final: 50%
Homework: 25%

Homework will be 4-5 programming assignments plus problems from the back of the chapters.

This class is intended to be interactive. Questions are encouraged and expected!