CSE 2331 - Foundations II: Data Structures and Algorithms

Lectures: TuTh 2:20PM–3:40PM, Baker Systems 394
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Textbook: Introduction to Algorithms, Second or Third Edition by Cormen, Leiserson, Rivest and Stein
Other optional books:

Prerequisites
2231 (Software II: Software Development and Design) or 321, and 2321 (Foundations I: Discrete Structures) or Math 566, and Stat 3460 (Principles of Statistics for Engineers), 3470 (Introduction to Probability and Statistics for Engineers), or 427. Concur: Math 3345. Not open to students with credit for 5331 (680).

About the course
The course is not superficial: The course demands basic mathematical maturity and will involve some proofs.
Topics (tentative)

1. Asymptotic notation review (CLRS, Chapter 3).
2. Analyzing algorithms review (CLRS, Chapters 1, 2).
3. Recurrence relations (CLRS, Sections 4.1, 4.2).
4. Probabilistic analysis (CLRS, Chapter 5).
5. Quicksort (CLRS, Chapter 7).
6. Median find (CLRS, Chapter 9).
7. Hashing (CLRS, Chapter 11).
10. Red Black Trees (CLRS, Chapter 13).
11. Topological sort (CLRS, Section 22.5).
12. Minimum spanning trees (CLRS, Chapter 23).
13. Shortest paths (CLRS, Section 24.3).
15. Table doubling (CLRS, Sections 17.4).
16. Union-find data structures (CLRS, Chapter 21).
17. NP-completeness (CLRS, Chapter 34).

Grading (tentative)

Homework every one to two weeks. No late homework will be accepted. For homework, collaboration is allowed, but every student must write and submit his or her own solutions, and include an explanation of any such collaboration. Looking for solutions from external sources (books, the web, etc.) is prohibited.

Two midterms (Feb. 16, 7-9 p.m. at E24 Scott Lab and Mar. 29, 7-9 p.m. at E24 Scott Lab) and one final exam (Wed. April 27 2:00pm-3:45pm).

Formula (tentative): 25% homework, 25% each midterm, 25% final exam.