

## **COT 4210 Essay Prompt**

Assigned: 2/26/2015

Rough Draft Due: 3/24/2015 (over WebCourses)

Final Draft Due: 4/21/2015 (over WebCourses)

Maximum Word Limit: 1500

Please site sources as necessary.

Please turn in your response over WebCourses as a .pdf file.

Question:

Students have great freedom with respect to when they take COT 4210. Students may take the course in their sophomore year, as one of their first upper level courses or they may wait till the last semester before they graduate to take the course. Based on your educational philosophy and view of pedagogy, when is the best time for a student to take COT 4210, in relation to all of the other required 4000 level courses in the computer science curriculum at UCF? In answering your question, you must explain your belief about the role of an undergraduate education in Computer Science and then show that the placement of the course you suggest best helps a student achieve the goals of an undergraduate education in Computer Science. (Note: The 4000 level required courses in CS at UCF are COP 4331, EEL 4768, COP 4020, COP 4600, COT 4210, COP 4934 and COP 4935.)

**Note: In general, drawing research from other sources and citing them shows that you've done some background research beyond relying upon your opinion. Sources can range from items on the internet, published videos, magazine or journal articles, books, and personal interviews. If you think of other sources, please ask me for approval.**