# General Information

- CS 350: Operating Systems

- Web Page: `http://www.student.cs.uwaterloo.ca/~cs350`

- Newsgroup: `uw.cs.cs350`

- Course Personnel, office hours, etc.: see/watch the web page

Post questions to newsgroup (instead of emailing)

Check the newsgroup regularly.

# Course Readings

- Textbook:

    - Silberschatz, Galvin, and Gagne (8th edition).

    - Recommended reading to augment lectures and improve understanding

    - On 3 hour reserve in the DC Library

- Course Notes:

    - buy/print them

    - bring them to class

    - take notes

    - **NOT DESIGNED TO BE STANDALONE**

# Grading Scheme

This may change: see course web page for
official version.

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A0, A1, A2, A3: Assignment marks as a percentage
M:   Midterm exam grades as percentages
F:    Final exam grade as a percentage


Normal  = (0.02*A0 + 0.08*A1 + 0.125*A2 + 0.125*A3) +
          (0.25*M + 0.40*F)
Exams   = (0.25*M + 0.40*F) / 65

if (Exams < 50%) { /* FAIL EXAMS, FAIL THE COURSE */
   Course Grade = min(Normal, Exams)
} else {
   Course Grade = Normal
}
```

# Assignments

- A0,A1 done individually

- A2,A3 done in groups

- Using OS/161 (~16,000 lines for kernel) running on SYS/161.

- Assignments are cumulative (i.e., A2 depends on A1, etc.)

- Slip days

  – Allows flexibility in assignment deadlines

  – Total of 5 slip days

  – Can use maximum of 3 slip days per assignment