## Course Orientation

EECE 412
Session 1

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## Introductions

- Teaching staff
  - Instructor
    - Konstantin Beznosov, ECE
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    - Research interests
      - » engineering security mechanisms for distributed information systems
      - » security usability
      - » middleware security
      - » access control
      - » engineering secure software
      - » network security
  - Teaching Assistant
    - Qiang Wei, ECE
      - Ph.D. candidate

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## Outline

- Course orientation
  - Introductions
  - Course overview
    - objectives
    - grading
    - modules
    - calendar
  - Q&A
- Introduction into computer security
- Upcoming important dates and action items

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## Course orientation

- What is this course about?
- Where can I find the course syllabus and other stuff?
- What will I learn in the course?
- What do I need to do to pass the course?
- What do I need to do to get 90% in the course?
- How do I contact/see the course staff?
- How can I obtain latest announcements regarding the course?

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## Course orientation cont-d

- What background should I have?
- What will I be doing in the course?
  - Term project/paper
  - Home assignments
  - Presentations
  - Quizzes
  - Mid-term
  - Participation
  - Reading
- What will I be reading?
- What will the course schedule look like?
- Where can I find additional information resources?
- How can I provide feedback?

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## Questions

**Important dates
in the next three weeks**

- Sep. 8 Optional "get to know" social at Koerner's Pub 7 PM
- Sep. 12 online student entry survey due
- Sep. 16 Assignment #1 due

**Key Points**

- Course orientation
  - All the course material is on webCT
  - Start early!
- Introduction into computer security
  - Security == freedom from worry
  - Conventional approach: fortress-like

**Next session preview**

- Introduction to computer security
  - Security mechanisms & policies