

SAULT COLLEGE

of Applied Arts and Technology

Sault Ste. Marie

COURSE OUTLINE

COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

EDP 105-2

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

GENERAL

The objectives of this course are to introduce the student to computer concepts and the use of the basic language. The student will use the VAXII-780 computer system to solve a variety of technical problems, and will learn to use the system command language, the EDT Editor Program, and the basic compiler and linker programs.

BLOCK I - COMPUTER SYSTEM ORGANIZATION

At the end of this block, the student will be able to:

- 1) describe typical hardware components of a computer system, and their function. (Processor, Memory, Disc, Tape, Printer, Terminals, etc.)
- 2) describe typical hardware components of a computer system, such as monitors, language translators (compilers and interpreters), editors, and linkers.
- 3) discuss the concept of files and recall the system of naming files on the VAX.
- 4) utilize the VAX DCL (Digital Control Language) to:
 - a) Log On and Log Off the system
 - b) Display a file on the terminal
 - c) Delete files
 - d) Purge files
 - e) Print files
 - f) Rename files
 - g) Access the basic interpreter
- 5) Use the basic interpreter to create, modify, test and save programs.

BLOCK II - BASIC PROGRAMMING

At the end of this block, the student will be able to:

- 1) describe the form and operation of basic instructions used to solve problems of complexity equal to those of chapters 3-7 of "Basic Computer Programming" by Bartee.
- 2) utilize the basic interpreter commands to list, edit, modify, and delete instructions within a program, and to create, recall, save, unsave, append and rename programs.
- 3) analyze problems for computer solution using tools such as flowcharts, and create basic programs to implement those solutions.
- 4) run, test and debug programs assigned.

*BLOCK III - PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

At the end of this block, the student will be able to:

- 1) describe the process of editing, compiling, linking, and running a program, and be able to discuss the difference between basic, object, listing and executable files.
- 2) use the EDT editor program to create and modify basic source programs.
- 3) describe the characteristics and capabilities of the EDT editor, and demonstrate an ability to use the available facilities.
- 4) describe and be able to use the various compiler options available with the VAX basic compiler.

* The coverage of this section will depend on the availability of time.

TEXT: Bartee, Thomas C., 1981, "Basic Computer Programming", Harper and Row Publishers, New York.

REFERENCES:

- 1) Foundations of Programming Through Basic by Moulton
- 2) VAX/VMS Primer by Digital Equipment Corporation
- 3) Basic Programming by Gottlieb (Schaum Series)

BASIS OF FINAL MARKS:

Mid term examination	25%
Final examination	50%
Home Assignments	
Lab Exercises (Programming)	25%

- 1) To get a pass grade in this course, students are required to score equal or greater than 55%.
- 2) Those students scoring in the range of 45% to 54%, will be considered for supplemental examination.

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TEXT: Sartor, Thomas L., 1981, "Basic Computer Programming", Harper and Row Publishers, New York.

REFERENCES:

- 1) Foundations of Programming Through Basic by Houston
- 2) VAX-11 Primer by Digital Equipment Corporation
- 3) Basic Programming by Gottlieb (Schaum Series)

BASIS OF FINAL MARKS:

- Mid term examination 25%
- Final examination 50%
- Home Assignments 25%
- Lab Exercises (Programming)

- 1) To get a pass grade in this course, students are required to score a point or greater than 57%.
- 2) Those students scoring in the range of 62% to 84% will be considered for supplemental examination.