Lecture 7

CSE 331

Sep 15, 2021

Please have a face mask on

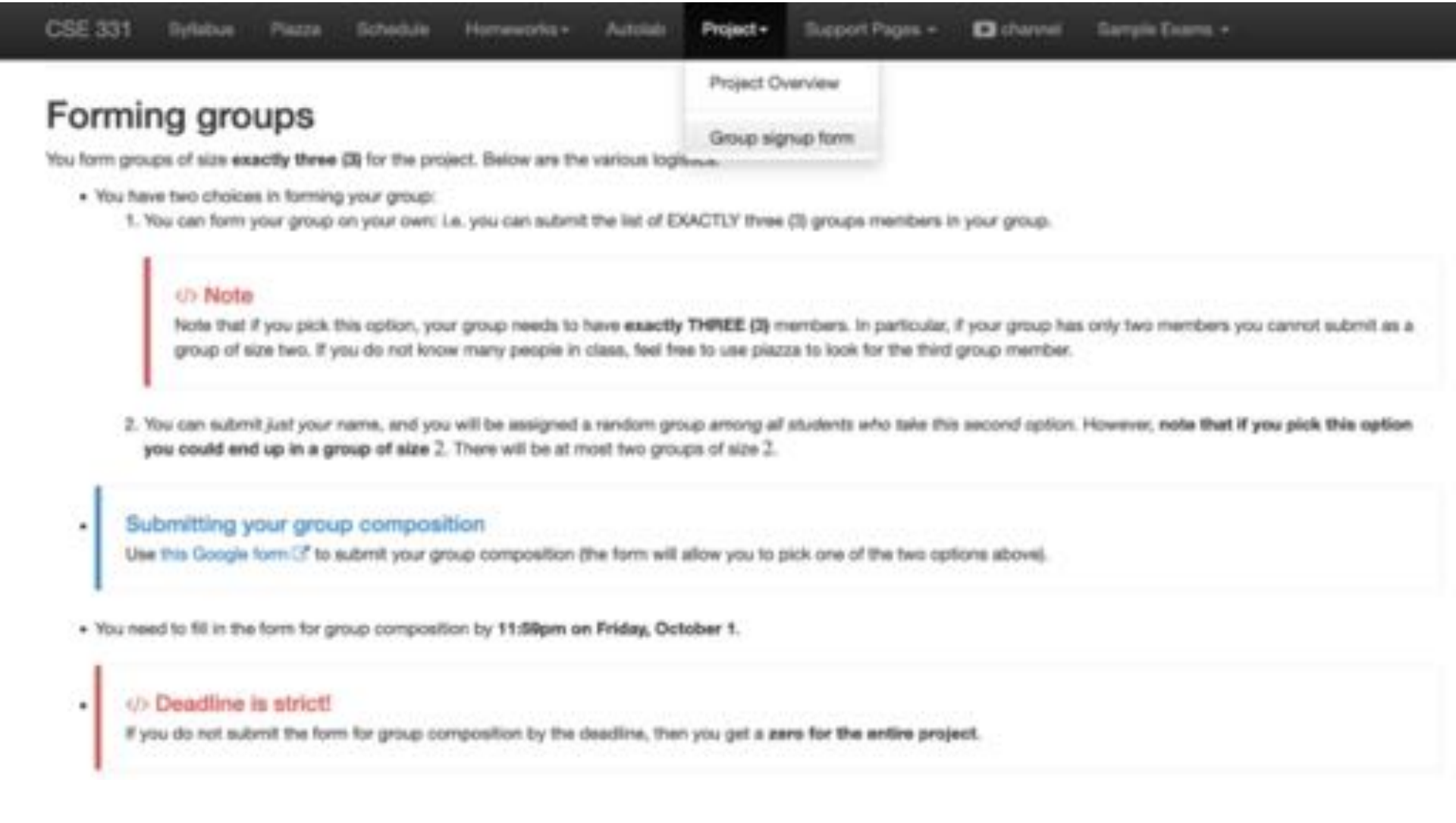
Masking requirement

UB requires all students, employees and visitors – regardless of their vaccination status – to wear face coverings while inside campus buildings.

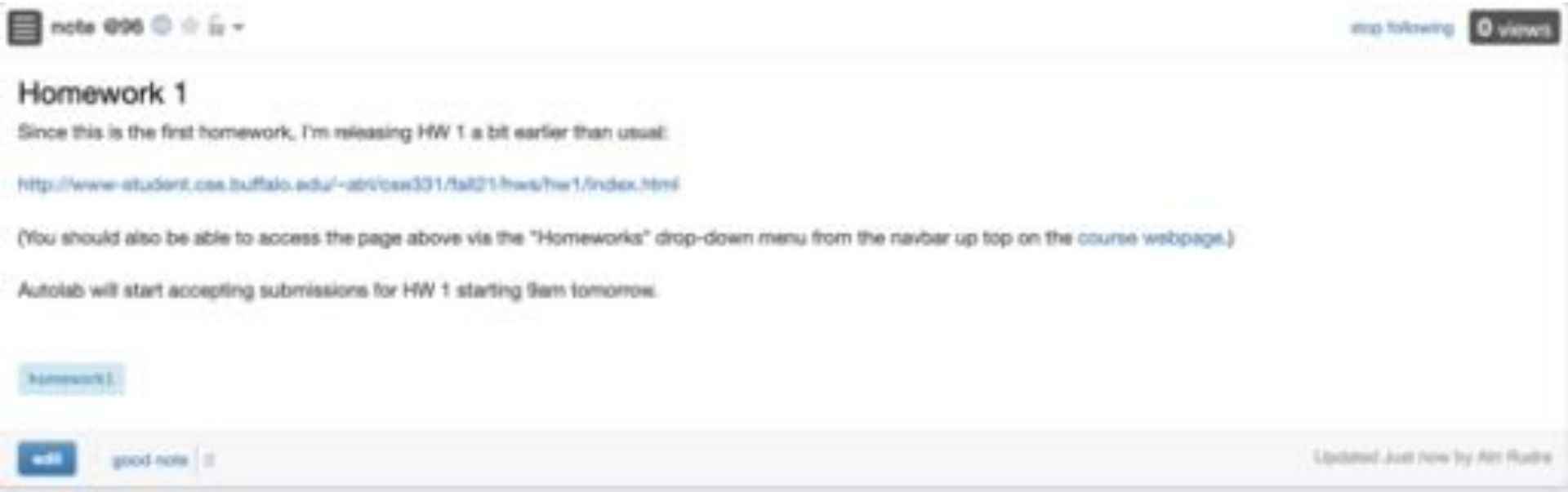
https://www.buffalo.edu/coronavirus/health-and-safety/health-safety-guidelines.html

Register your project groups

Deadline: Friday, Oct 1, 11:59pm



HW 1 is out!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Homework 1
Since this is the first homework, I'm releasing HW 1 a bit earlier than usual:
http://www-student.cse.buffalo.edu/~atri/cse331/fall21/hws/hw1/index.html
(You should also be able to access the page above via the "Homeworks" drop-down menu from the navbar up top on the course webpage.)
Autolab will start accepting submissions for HW 1 starting 9am tomorrow.
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Working in groups

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Working in groups

During my office hour today some of you mentioned that students are feeling scared to form groups. Assuming this is not an isolated event, I wanted to state emphatically that **y'all are STRONGLY encouraged to work in groups for the homeworks** (you do not have a choice for the project since there is only one submission per group for the project).

As a practical reason why y'all should be working as a group, please note that Q2 on the HWs are supposed to hard *for a group!* So if you are working alone, then you are setting yourself up for a lot of extra work that you do not need to. (If you do have a lot of free time in your schedule then working alone *might* be doable but for a typical schedule not working in groups is setting yourself up with a completely avoidable handicap.)

I was told the issue was fear of breaching academic integrity if you work on your HW as a group. So let me offer some clarifications/suggestions:

- It is true that you are only supposed to collaborate to the extent of proof/algorithm idea and not work on proof/algorithm details together. Also while taking notes during the discussion is fine, it is generally not a good idea to copy things down verbatim from the discussion. (But see next point.)
- A related worry is that even if y'all do the above, then the submissions within a group would still be similar that would lead to academic integrity violation. This is **simply incorrect!** We do understand that when collaborating together, the final submission would be similar (even if the submissions were written up individually) and this is perfectly acceptable! What we do not want is to receive essentially identical submissions-- as graders, we can pretty easily figure out the difference between similarity due to (proper) collaboration and similarity due to copying.

Another worry raised was that students feel scared to talk to each other about the HWs. I would like to clarify something here:

- If the discussion is only to the extent of understanding the problem statement and *not* the solution, then y'all can talk with anyone else in class.
- BUT the moment the discussion veers towards how to solve the problem, then make sure those discussions are restricted to your group.

Please use the comments section if the above does not answer your fears about collaborating on homeworks and/or there are other issues that have not been addressed above!

Just putting in time is not enough

You will be graded on *what you submit* and **not** how much time you spent

Be smart in how you spend your time

Please ask for help, get feedback if you get stuck!

Questions/Comments?

Read your reading assignment?

Gale-Shapley Algorithm

Intially all men and women are free

While there exists a free woman who can propose

Let w be such a woman and m be the best man she has not proposed to

w proposes to m

If m is free

(m,w) get engaged

Else (m,w') are engaged

If m prefers w' to w

w remains free

Else

(m,w) get engaged and w' is free

Output the engaged pairs as the final output

Observation 1

Intially all men and women are free

While there exists a free woman who can propose

Let w be such a woman and m be the best man she has not proposed to

w proposes to m

If m is free

(m,w) get engaged

Else (m,w') are engaged

If m prefers w' to w

w remains free

Else

(m,w) get engaged and w' is free

Once a man gets engaged, he remains engaged (to "better" women)

Output the engaged pairs as the final output

Observation 2

Intially all men and women are free

While there exists a free woman who can propose

Let w be such a woman and m be the best man she has not proposed to

w proposes to m

If m is free

(m,w) get engaged

Else (m,w') are engaged

If m prefers w' to w

w remains free

Else

(m,w) get engaged and w' is free

If w proposes to m after m', then she prefers m' to m

Output the set S of engaged pairs as the final output

Questions/Comments?

Today's lecture

GS algorithms always outputs a stable marriage

The Lemmas

Lemma 1: The GS algorithm has at most n^2 iterations

Lemma 2: S is a perfect matching

Lemma 3: S has no instability

Questions/Comments?