

CS 6998 – HCI Master’s Project: Syllabus

Course Information

Course Prefix and Number: CS 6998
Course Name: HCI Master’s Project
Instructor: Prof. Matthew Gombolay
Semester: Fall 2026
Section: G13
CRN: 90037

Course Description

Final project for HCI students completing a master’s degree in the College of Computing. This course provides academic credit for independent project work conducted under faculty supervision. The scope and direction of the project are determined by the student in consultation with the faculty advisor.

Course Learning Outcomes

By enrolling in this course, students will:

- Conduct independent project-based work under faculty supervision.
- Formulate and execute a well-defined project plan.
- Apply appropriate technical and research methods.
- Communicate results through written and/or technical artifacts.
- Demonstrate professional-level project ownership and execution.

Required Course Materials

No textbooks or required materials. Resources are determined in consultation with the faculty advisor.

Grading Policy

Final grades in CS 6999 will be assigned as letter grades based on the quality, completeness, and impact of the master’s project. Grades are determined using the following components:

- **Project Progress and Engagement (25%):** Consistent effort and meaningful progress throughout the semester, commensurate with registered credit hours.
- **Communication and Professionalism (10%):** Regular updates, responsiveness to feedback, and effective collaboration with the faculty advisor.

- **Intermediate Milestones (25%):** Completion of agreed-upon milestones (e.g., proposal, design, or intermediate results).
- **Final Deliverable (40%):** Quality of the completed project (e.g., report, system, or technical artifact), including rigor, clarity, and completeness.

Final grades reflect both sustained progress and the technical quality of the completed project.

Attendance Policy

This course does not include scheduled class meetings. Students are expected to engage in project work on a weekly basis commensurate with registered credit hours. Meeting frequency with the advisor is determined by mutual agreement.

Academic Honesty/Integrity Statement

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. All work submitted must be original and properly cited. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty will result in consequences as outlined in the Georgia Tech Academic Honor Code.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

If you are a student with learning needs that require special accommodation, contact the Office of Disability Services as soon as possible. Please also notify the instructor to coordinate accommodations.

Student-Faculty Expectations

Students and faculty are expected to maintain an environment of mutual respect, professionalism, and accountability. Students are responsible for maintaining regular communication and making steady progress on their project.