

**Week 9**

# Homecoming events

- Parade starts 5:30 today
  - [Map](#)
- Football game starts 2:30 tomorrow

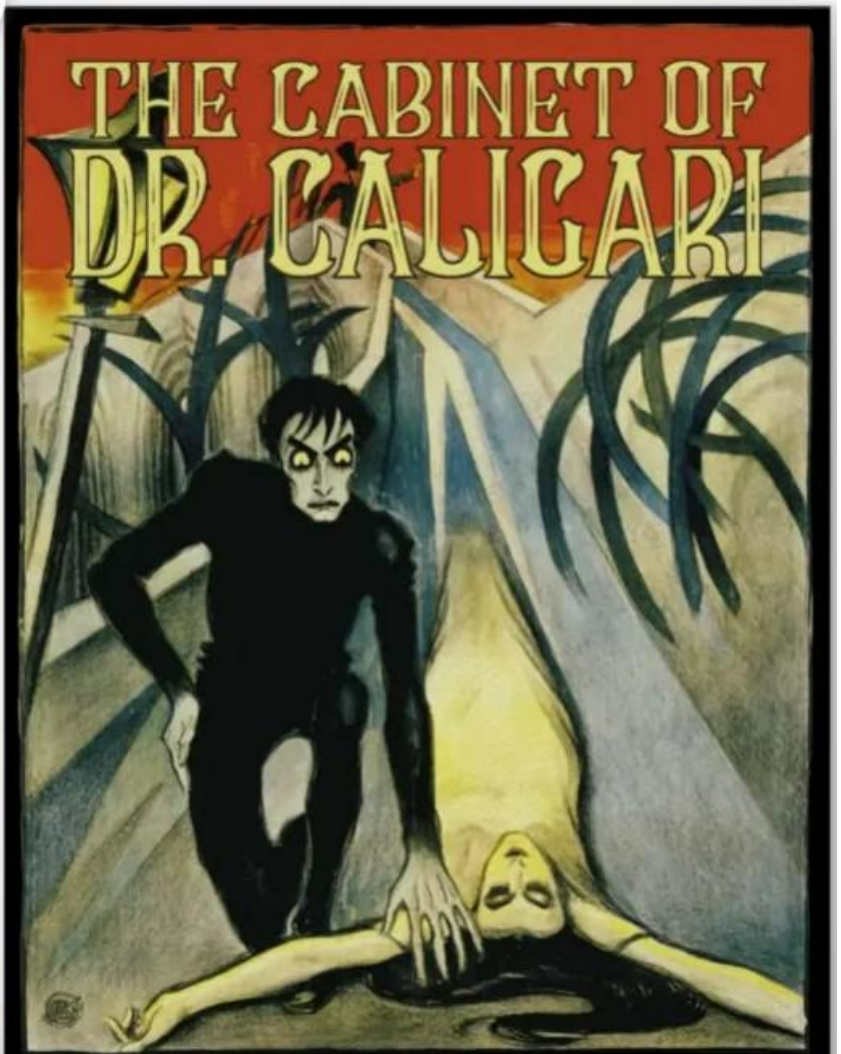
# Halloween

[Spurlock's Halloween film](#)

Tuesday, Oct 31

4:30-6:30 pm

Spurlock Museum



# Registration is coming very soon!

Time tickets released Oct 16

## Timeline

- Priority groups (e.g. James Scholars, athletes) starting Oct 30-31
- Seniors by credit hours starting Nov 1
- Juniors by credit hours starting Nov 8
- Sophomores by credit hours starting Nov 13
- Freshmen by credit hours starting Nov 15

# Except that ...

CS courses run full.

Demand often exceeds seats

Too many CS majors are James Scholars, have AP credit

⇒ If we follow the normal rules, 3rd and 4th year students can't get the courses they need to graduate.

# CS major restrictions

CS 210, 211, 222, CS 340 and above

- Open to non-majors starting Nov 27
- Some seats held back until around the start of spring classes

CS 211 and 222 probably won't open to non-majors

# CS cohort restrictions (staggered registration)

CS 210 and higher CS courses (except CS 225)

- 4th year students (and transfers) Oct 30
- 3rd year students Nov 8
- 2nd year students Nov 13
- 1st year students Nov 15

Transfer students talk to your advisor if it's treating you like a first-year student.

## Courses that say “no first-time freshmen”

- Mostly for your protection.
- Most of you don't have the prerequisites.
- If you do have the prerequisites, speak to your advisor.



## But the sample schedule says I should ...

- Important to finish the early core quickly
  - CS 124, CS 128, CS 173, CS 225
- You don't have to exactly follow the sample schedule for your major
- You have lots of flexibility about when to take
  - CS 233
  - CS 222
  - Do not take CS 225, CS 233, CS 222 all in one term

## But I hope to graduate early

- Cohort overrides exist
- Harder than it looks
  - Did you place out of multiple **CS** courses?
- Not a good idea if you plan
  - graduate school
  - high-end industry job
- **Speak to your advisor**

# Alternatives to early graduation

- Research
  - Grad schools expect to see this
- A minor
- The 4-year BS/MCS program
  - Engineering students only 😞
  - Almost as good to do BS, then MCS

# CS registration restrictions: full details

<https://cs.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduate/registration/cs-course-restrictions-enrollment-caps>

Or

Google “uiuc CS registration restrictions”

# Prerequisites

- Enforced for most CS courses
- Most AI courses require CS 361
  - STAT 400 works as a replacement
  - STAT 200, STAT 212 won't work
- CS 340 works for blended-CS degree requirements
  - But some systems courses require CS 233 and CS 341
  - Browse 400-level courses before deciding which to take

Start browsing the course catalog

# What to register for?

- What's next in my degree flowchart?
  - Most of you have CS 128 and CS 173 next term
  - <https://ws.engr.illinois.edu/sitemanager/getfile.asp?id=3523> (CS + Linguistics)
- You'll have more options in a term or two
  - Math has problems with seats in fall
  - Keep your plan flexible
  - Along with CS 225, should I take (a) CS 222 and/or (b) CS 233?
  - CS 341 first or CS 374 first?
- What do you need to take the electives you want?
  - AI courses require CS 361 NOT STAT 200
  - CS 233+341 or CS 340 + 2 electives? (CS+X students)
- Is a course offered both terms? Fall only? Spring only?

# Start browsing now

- <https://courses.illinois.edu/>
- Schedule for this spring
- List of all CS courses
- CS 498
  - Some have only modest prerequisites
- Independent study and thesis (later years)



Don't pack your schedule with technical courses

Do something fun

Browse the catalog!

Looking for a fun Gen Ed course?

<https://waf.cs.illinois.edu/discovery/gpa/>