

Schedule for Introduction to Grad Algorithms – CS 6515

Summer 2026

Week	Lectures	Sections in DPV	Assignments and Exams	Due (8 AM)
1: 5/18	Introduction to Graduate Algorithms Big-O notation DP1: Fibonacci (FIB) Longest Increasing Subseq (LIS) Longest Common Subseq (LCS) DP2: Knapsack Chain Multiply (CMM)	 0.3 0.2 6.2 6.3 6.4 2.5, 6.5	Readiness Check (Lessons + Coding env check) HW 0 (coding) HW 1 (written) Quiz 1: Format Quiz on DP Logistic Quiz: Communication Logistic Quiz: Academic Integrity Logistic Quiz: Onboarding	NA May 25 May 25 May 25 June 1 June 1 June 1
2: 5/25	DC3: Solving Recurrences DC1: Fast Integer Multiplication	2.2 2.1	HW 2 (written) Quiz 2: Format Quiz on D&C	June 1 June 1
3: 6/1	DC2: Sorting Algorithms Linear-Time Median	2.3 2.4	HW 3 (coding) HW 4 (coding) Quiz 3: Content Quiz on DP + D&C Mock Exam	June 8 June 8 June 8 NA
4: 6/8	DP3: Shortest Paths GR1: Strongly Connected Components (SCC) GR2: 2-Satisfiability (2-SAT)	6.1, 6.6, 4.6, 4.7 3.1-3.4, 4.1-4.4 3.4, 5.3, 8.1	EXAM 1: Weeks 1-3, opens Thur @10am ET	June 11 - 15
5: 6/15	GR3: Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)	5.1	Quiz 4: Format Quiz on Graph Theory HW 5 (written)	June 22 June 22
6: 6/22	Flows on Networks MF1, MF2, MF4 MF1: Ford-Fulkerson MF2: Max-flow=min-cut	 7.2 7.2	HW 6 (written) HW 7 (coding) Quiz 5: Content Quiz on Graph Theory	June 29 June 29 June 29
7: 6/29	MF4: Edmonds-Karp	7.2	EXAM 2: Weeks 4-7, opens Thur @10am ET Withdrawal Date: Sunday, July 5, 11:59 PM	July 2 - 6
8: 7/6	NP1: NP, Reductions NP2: 3-SAT NP3: Graph Problems	8.1, 8.2 8.3, 5.3 8.3, 6.7, 5.4	Quiz 6: Format Quiz on NP Theory HW 8 (written)	July 13 July 13
9: 7/13	LP1: Introduction to Linear Programming LP2: Geometry LP3: Duality	7.1, 7.6 7.6 7.4	Quiz 7: Content Quiz on NP & LP HW 9 (written) HW 10 (written)	July 20 July 20 July 20
10: 7/20	LP4: Max-SAT approximation NP4: Knapsack NP5: Halting Problem	7.7, 8.1, 8.3 8.3, 6.7, 5.4 8.3	EXAM 3: Weeks 8-10, opens Thur @10am ET	July 23 - 27
11: 7/27	Optional Topics		Quiz 8: Cumulative Content Quiz	August 3
12: 8/3	Optional Topics		Grades Due by 8/10	

Grading:

- Logistic Quizzes (3): 1 pt each, 3% of course grade (unlimited attempts)
- Format Quizzes (4): 10 pts each, 1% of course grade (two attempts each)
- Content Quizzes (4): 20 pts each, 6% of course grade (two attempts each), best three of the four (drop the lowest)
- Coding Homework (4): 10 pts each, Recommended, 0% of course grade
- Written Homework (7): 20 pts each, Recommended, 0% of course grade
- Weighted Exams (3): 100 pts each, 90% of course grade (25% lowest, 30% middle, 35% highest)
- Final Grades: A [85%,100%], B [70%,85%), C [50%, 70%), D [40%, 50%), F [0%, 40%)

[DPV] S. Dasgupta, C. H. Papadimitriou, U. V. Vazirani, *Algorithms*, 1–337 (2006)