

CSE333 Distributed Component Systems

Mid-Semester Project Report

The mid-semester project report for your team efforts is due October 21, 2005, at 4pm (both hard copy and electronic copy). The purpose of the document is twofold. First, you are to expand and refine your project requirements/specification that each team has supplied. Second, you are to detail any substantial changes in project direction or content. Thus, the format of the mid-semester report should mimic the earlier specification with additional content as given below:

- **Mid-Semester Project Report: Due October 21, 2005, at 4pm**

The document describing the mid-project report should be between 7 and 10 single spaced, 12 point pages, with 1 inch margins. Examples, Figures and References are outside of the page count and are strongly encouraged! The document should contain the following:

1. One page overview of topic, its goals, and its objectives. This is an expansion of your original introduction.
2. Three to four page detailed discussion of topic, focusing on its scope. Focus on providing additional detail.
3. Two to three page component-wise breakdown of topic, clearly identifying the various components of the project and indicating which each team member will be working on.
4. One to two page discussion of progress to date and substantial changes in project direction and focus.
5. One page outline of planned activities throughout the remainder of the semester.
6. Figures and Examples are encouraged and are outside of the page count. For example, a block or flow diagram that illustrates components may be very useful. Or, a diagram showing who is working on which component. **You are required to utilize UML use-cases and other diagrams to document your design, focus, and intent.**
7. References: Mandatory - these are outside of the page count.

- **Midterm Presentation: Due October 24, 2005, at 9am**

Presentations will be on Monday/Wednesday October 24/26, with two groups each day. Plan on a 30 minute presentation + 5 minutes of questions. Utilize the format that is present in the slides for the course this semester. There are talks from Spring 1999/Fall 2000 posted on the course web page for your use as examples and reference. Presentation format must be MS PowerPoint.

- **Final Report and Presentation: Due TBA**

The final presentation replaces 1.5 to 2 weeks of classes during the semester with presentations in the last week of class. The final report must be written using Microsoft Word. Utilize the typical technical paper format with sections (1. Introduction, 2. Motivation, 3. Etc...) and subsections, and numerical references. Figures should appear in-line at a position that is close to their first text reference. Submit both electronic and hard copies of paper and final presentation. Again, see the web page for examples of final papers and presentations.