Grading

For undergraduates, I use a rank-based system: students will be evaluated based on how well they perform *relative* to other students in the class. Students that fall at or above the median grade will receive no lower than a "B"; the top 10 to 20% of the class will receive an "A". Students falling below the median will receive a "C" or lower; the bottom 10 to 20% of the class will receive a "D" or "F".

There are a total of 700 points that can be earned in this course: 300 points from lecture exams, 100 points from quizzes, and 300 points from problem sets.

There will be three unit exams, each worth 100 points. The third unit exam will be on the date of the final.

There will be approximately ten 10-point quizzes, worth 100 points.

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