

## Code Detectives

Did you program when you were 11 years old? Do you feel the excitement and passion when solving computer-related problems? Would you spend sleepless nights trying to find bugs, security issues or make your program work? Do you see programming as a recreational and playful activity and program during your spare time? Do you consider programming as an art and are impressed by elegantly written code? Do you know any killer programming tips? Are you part of the programming community? Do you participate in programming contests?

Come listen, chat and play programming games with a series of speakers from the business, industry and open source community who answered YES to all of the above questions. Maybe the passion is contagious?! This is your opportunity to have all your burning tech-related and also career-related questions answered.

When & where: Tuesday 4.30pm-5.25pm, 1525, 163 William Street, New York City  
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This course will be organized around a series of 6-8 talks from people in business, industry and the open source community. The sessions are intended to be interactive, so participating students will have to chair a session, answer the technical questions of the speakers and ask questions.

The following CS397F/CS632 policies will be strictly enforced:

- *Attendance:* Attendance is required. Each session missed without prior arrangement with the instructors will result in one lower grade point.
- *Course Documents:* Any pre-class or post-class material provided by speakers will be posted online at: <http://www.csis.pace.edu/~scharff>. It is your responsibility to download such material. No text books will be required.
- *Communications:* You will be required to subscribe to the course mailing list to receive any notices about the schedule: [pace\\_csis\\_seminars\\_f2006@yahoo.com](mailto:pace_csis_seminars_f2006@yahoo.com). We will NOT use blackboard.
- *Course Grades:* You will be assessed on your attendance, your active participation in the class sessions and on a presentation. You will be expected to take the role of chair in one of the sessions (students may do this in pairs if numbers permit). The "your life as a programmer" presentation will require you to talk about your programming experience, a contest you participated in, show code, organize a programming puzzle, demo an Eclipse plug-in or test an application depending on the student who will present.

Preliminary schedule (TBD):

9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14, 11/28, 12/5