

## CS414: Lab #1

First, create a folder on your computer, and call it 'lab1'.

Then, go to the course website: [cs.unh.edu/~cs414](http://cs.unh.edu/~cs414), and download the starting files **hello\_you.py**, **to\_fahrenheit.py**, and **is\_palindrome.py**. Right-click or Control-click on each file, find your 'lab1' folder, and save it there.

Finally, run IDLE, and open each of the files, and do the following exercises:

1. Here is a program that writes **Hello, world!**.

```
# My first program!
print 'Hello, world!'
```

Write another program which asks the user for a name, and greets the user. For example, if the user types **Donald**, the program writes

```
Hello, Donald!
```

You will have to use **raw\_input()** to get the string from the user. You will also have to use **+** (the plus sign) to join various strings into the desired output string.

2. Here is a program that gets a number from the user: a temperature in Fahrenheit. It prints the temperature in Celsius.

```
fahrenheit = float(raw_input('Temp in Fahrenheit? '))
celsius = (fahrenheit - 32) * 9 / 5
print fahrenheit, 'degrees F =', celsius, 'degrees C'
```

Write another program which does the reverse. The formula you need is:

*fahrenheit = celsius \* 9 / 5 + 32.*

3. Write a program that gets a four-letter string from the user, and prints **True** or **False**, depending on whether that string is *palindromic* or is not (a palindrome is the same forward and backwards).

For example: **ABBA** would print **True**, but **DBBA** and **ABba** would print **False** (BTW, upper and lower-case letters are considered different).

If the string is called **word**, you will have to use **word[0]** to access the first letter, and **word[-1]** to get the last letter. Similarly, **word[1]** is the second letter, and **word[-2]** is the second-to last. A four-letter word is palindromic if the first letter equals the last one, and the second equals the second-to-last one. Use **==** to test if letters are the same. Use **and** to combine your tests.

### Turning in your work:

To complete the lab, go to **mycourses.unh.edu**, find cs414, and find lab 1. Then click the 'Submit' button, and upload **all three files**. Submit your work before the end of the lab session, even if you are not finished. You have until midnight to submit the work again, without late penalty.