



Welcome  
to  
CISC 879 Text Analysis for  
Software Engineering

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# Who am I?



Computer Science Departmental Photo

From Left: Mark Krentel, Lori Pollock, Matthias Felleisen, David Callahan, Linda Torczon, Hans Boehm, Corky Cartwright, Willy Zwanepeol



Who are YOU?

Write a Limerick about yourself

There once was a man from Nantucket...

5 lines and a rhyme scheme.

# My Limerick

There once was a girl from PA  
Who with puzzles she liked to play.  
She married a man  
Had 3 kids and a van  
And now she's a professor by day.

# Where are we starting today?

1. Write a list of tools/analyses that you have used or know of that help software engineers do their job more effectively

2. Write a list of artifacts that are created and used during software engineering

3. Answer the following question: What do you think is meant by program analysis? Text analysis for software engineering?

With a partner, discuss and merge your answers. Hand in one sheet with your names.

# The Syllabus

# Why are we doing these activities?



# *PhD-Program Preparation for Successful Post-PhD Career*

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# Advising: Students vs/and Research

- “Focus on the **students**, since graduating **great students** means you’ ll produce great research, while focusing on the research may or may not produce **great students.**”

Nico Habermann  
(1932-1993)



David Notkin  
(1955-2013)


# Learning: Students vs/and Research

- “Focus on **yourself**, since graduating **great yourself** means you’ ll produce great research, while focusing on the research may or may not produce **great yourself.**”

You should still pay attention to this advice even if you already have a great advisor/collaborator who

- picks great problems for you to work on
- produces great ideas for you to implement the solutions
- writes great introductions or whole drafts for your papers
- ...

# Essential Skills for a (PhD) Researcher

- is able to independently
    - **Assessment**
      - Others' Work (e.g., conference PC members, journal reviewers)
      - Own Work
    - **Vision** (e.g., per n years, research agenda)
    - **Design** (e.g., per paper/project)
      - Problem
      - Solution
    - **Execution** (e.g., time/risk/team management)
      - Implement
      - Evaluate
    - **Communication**
      - Written
      - Oral
-  **high-quality/impact  
research**

# Homework for This Thursday

- Write a short paragraph professional biography (no more than 6 sentences).
- Look up how people write professional biographies at the end of journal papers and on their web sites.
- Put your biography in a word file with your picture in the word file. Name your file by your `firstname_lastname_bio` and place in the directory `/usa/pollock/public/879tainSE` on `orioles.acad.ece.udel.edu`.
- If you do not have an account, apply for one immediately at the EECIS website. Make your bio publicly available for reading by `chmod 755 yourfilename`