**Introductory Programming (COMP0066)**

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2. design and program Python applications using a large sub-set of the language effectively;
3. design object-oriented programs with Python classes;
4. be able to use programming tools such as an integrated development environment (IDE) and debugger;
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- Types, variables, branching, loops;
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**Credit value** 15 (150 study hours)
**Delivery** UG L6, Campus-based
**Reading List** [View on UCL website](#)
**Tutor** Dr Ghita Kouadri Mostefaoui
**Term** Term 1
**Timetable** [View on UCL website](#)

**Assessment**

- Written examination (departmentally managed): 40%
- Coursework: 60%

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