

Subject: Re: [External] ECE 1111: Engineering Computation I (Fall 2024): HW #2 - familiarize yourself with the class web site
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Is the link for Lynda.com available through temple for free or will I have to go through a trial period?

As I explained in a previous email, if you log into LinkedIn Learning through the TU Portal (formerly Lynda.com), you will get access to everything LinkedIn has to offer for free. It is one of the great benefits you receive from Temple. We have an excellent IT situation at Temple.

Also I have not been able to purchase one of the recommend laptops yet. Should I have that before the soon for any of these assignments or before the semester begins?

The assignments can be completed from any Internet-aware computing device. However, during the class, we will do live programming during quizzes, exams and labs, so a laptop will be required.

You will work on a machine in the cloud (ece-000.eng.temple.edu), so your computing device is mainly a portal into the cloud.

For a course like this, to get the maximum benefit from it, you really should have your own laptop. You will want to personalize your computing environment based on what you learn in this class. However, if you don't have a laptop, you can borrow one from the university.

Also, you do not need an expensive laptop. Laptops are very inexpensive these days, and a standard laptop costing between \$250 and \$400 will do fine. I have never paid more than \$350 for a laptop for personal use. I always look for good deals, such as sale items from your favorite big box stores.

Students always buy much more expensive laptops than me because they like to play games on them 😞 But a basic laptop is more than sufficient for this course.

-Joe