Instructions for 429/493 Essays

Your essays should contain sentences organized into paragraphs instead of tables, code listings, bullet lists or other outlining shortcuts. Your descriptions should respond to the following questions: If your proposal received a rejection, how would you have written it better? If your proposal was selected but did not attract enough team members, how would you attract people more efficiently? If you formed a team around your proposal, how did you attract people? If you joined someone else’s team, how did you choose?

Additionally, your task is to address the software process that your team will be following. This will be accomplished by first describing the process that you followed in 427. In the case that you did not take 427, instead describe some theoretical software process. For example, you may describe what a textbook says about XP. For this semester, describe the plan for changing and improving the process you used in the past.

While the instructions for turning in Writing Assignments are under preparation, you can start writing your first essay. In particular, describe the process you followed in 427. Read chapter 1 in “Style”. Write a paper using the prescribed essay format (introduction, body paragraphs, conclusion), of at least 1500 and at most 1800 words in length.

The following information is important as regards your written assignments. To earn ACP credit for CS429, you need to do all of the assignments and pass each one. Every
assignment is required, and you cannot “drop” or opt out of any of them. It is your obligation to submit your work on the assigned due date. All assignments depend on the previous one. Accordingly, assignments submitted late will inevitably disrupt the planned schedule.