Fall 2006 Student Questionnaire for CS 450

Note: CS 216 is Computer Organization and Assembly Language Programming
CS 420 is Computer Architecture
CS 206 is Programming with C
CS 208 is Unix

How useful was the knowledge you acquired in CS 420 about memory management?
a. Not useful, I already understood memory management quite well _____
b. Not useful, I still don't understand memory management _____
c. Somewhat useful, but I still find memory management difficult _____
d. Useful, CS 420 helped me to understand memory management _____
e. We did not discuss memory management in CS 420 ______
f. Very useful _______

How useful was the knowledge you acquired in CS 420 about I/O systems?
a. Not useful, I already understood I/O systems quite well _____
b. Not useful, I still don't understand I/O systems ______
c. Somewhat useful, but I still find I/O systems difficult ______
d. Useful, CS 420 helped me to understand OS’ I/O responsibilities ______
e. We did not discuss I/O systems in CS 420 ______
f. Very useful _______

How useful was the knowledge you acquired in CS 206 about C programming?
a. Not useful, I already understood C programming quite well _____
b. Not useful, I still don't understand C programming ______
c. Somewhat useful, but I still find C programming difficult ______
d. Useful, CS 206 helped me to understand C programming ______
e. We did not discuss C programming enough in CS 206 ______
f. Very useful _______

How useful was the knowledge you acquired in CS 208 about Unix systems?
a. Not useful, I already understood Unix systems quite well _____
b. Not useful, I still don't understand Unix systems ______
c. Somewhat useful, but I still find Unix systems difficult ______
d. Useful, CS 206 helped me to understand Unix systems ______
e. We did not discuss Unix systems enough in CS 208 ______
f. Very useful _______

Should CS 420 (or equivalent knowledge) be enforced as a prerequisite for CS 450?
a. No, students don't need to have taken CS 420 to do well in CS 450 _____
b. Yes, the material in CS 420 is very relevant for CS 450 _____

Should CS 216 replace CS 420 as a prerequisite for CS 450?
a. No, CS 216 provides insufficient material to do well in CS 450 _____
b. Yes, CS 216 provides sufficient material to do well in CS 450 _____

Please complete other side of form
Should knowledge of C and pointers be a prerequisite for CS450?
  a. No, students don't need C and pointers to do well in CS 450 _____
  b. Yes, C and pointers are very relevant for CS 450 _____

Does CS 206, Programming with C, provide ample background in C for CS 450
  a. No, CS 206 does not provide ample C background. ______
  b. Yes, CS 206 does provide ample C background. _______
  * if you answered no to the previous question, how should that be remedied?

Should knowledge of UNIX be a prerequisite for cs450?
  a. No, students don't need UNIX to do well in CS 450_____
  b. Yes, UNIX is very relevant for CS 450_____

CS 450 involves working with a large substantive C programming.
Did you feel you received adequate preparation for this?
  a. No, I was not adequately prepared for dealing with a large
     piece of software.
  b. Yes, I was adequately prepared for dealing with a large
     piece of software.

CS 450 involves working in a team environment
Did you feel you received adequate preparation for this?
  a. No, I was not adequately prepared for dealing with teams.
  b. Yes, I was adequately prepared for dealing with teams.
  c. My teammate(s) was very helpful.
  d. My teammate(s) was somewhat helpful.
  e. My teammate(s) did very little indeed.
  * If you answered (a) and (e), how should that be remedied?

Are there any other courses should be prerequisites for cs450. If
yes, please list the courses and explain why