



Introduction to Functional Programming in OCaml

The MOOC

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The Course

In this course you will learn *Functional programming*, the programming paradigm that will allow you to write expressive, concise and elegant programs. You will see how *functions* play a central role, as *first-class values* that can be freely used in any place where an expression may appear.

This course uses the *OCaml* programming language, a member of the ML family of functional languages pioneered by Robin Milner. Through *type inference*, it reconciles the conciseness and flexibility of untyped programming languages, like Python, with the safety of strongly typed programming languages, like Java.

You will discover the powerful mechanisms that OCaml offers to build and manipulate complex data structures in a clean and efficient way, making it the language of choice for a whole range of applications.



Classes Start **Oct 19, 2015**

Classes End **Dec 04, 2015**

The course is **free**
Registration is **open**

Prerequisites

Some basic knowledge of computing is expected: you should know how to write simple programs in some programming language.

The course will be held in English.

Schedule

- Week 0:** Introduction and overview
- Week 1:** Basic types, definitions and functions
- Week 2:** Basic data structures
- Week 3:** More advanced data structures
- Week 4:** Higher order functions
- Week 5:** Exceptions, input/output and imperative constructs
- Week 6:** Modules and data abstraction

Evaluation

The course contains many small programming exercises which you will do directly in your Web browser, and a final programming project.

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