Fall 2009	**CSC 590:** Thesis Seminar	Alexander Dekhtyar

Creating Bibliography and Related Work Section
Part 1: Bibliography

Due date: Friday, October 23, in-class

Assignment

As part of your CSC 590 experience, you will write a draft of the Related Work or Background (as deemed appropriate) section of your future thesis. To prepare yourself for this, you must first collect the body of related work that your thesis will reference.

Creating Bibliography

At this stage, your task is to create and put on the course wiki the bibliography, appropriate for a Related Work or Background section of your thesis. In creation of your bibliography feel free to utilize the following:

- Any papers in your area of research that you have already studied.
- Your advisor's help. If you do not have any other starting points, meet with your advisor and him/her for papers that are relevant to your research area.
- Bibliographies of research papers already on your relevant works list.
- Literature search using available on-line resources: DBLP, ACM Digital Library, IEEE Computer Society Digital Libarary.
- Home pages of the academic journals and conferences in your area.
- Google Scholar and Citeseer.
- Home pages of authors of the papers you are interested.

For each paper on your bibliography, you must make every attempt to procure an electronic copy of it.

Deliverables

- Create a wiki page for your thesis-related write-ups. Link it to the main wiki page for the course.
- Create a wiki page for your bibliography. Link it to your thesis-related write-ups wiki page.
- List full academic citations for each paper in your related work collection. List the papers in alphabetical order by the last name of the first author of the paper. For papers authored by the same author, list them in chronological order (if the same author/group of authors authored multiple papers for the same year, pick any order for them).
- Provide either a direct link to an electronic version of the paper (in Postscript or PDF format preferably), or a link to the article's page on the academic journal/conference web site. For hard-to-get papers that you were able to find electronic versions of, upload the electronic version of the paper on the wiki, link to it. If you were not able to locate an electronic version of the paper (even a paid one), make a note on the wiki to that effect.
- For extra credit (extra 20%), create a BibTeX file containing academic references to all your papers. Upload it on the wiki, and link from your bibliography page.

Due date

By **Friday, October 23**[1] you must complete your bibliography. Please note, however, that the second part of this assignment, namely, *writing the related work/background section* of your thesis will be given out **prior** to October 23 (I plan on doing it on October 16).

I strongly recommend that you complete the bibliography list by October 16. After the October 16 class (in which we are scheduled to discuss the related work section, and bibliographic references), you can edit your bibliography lists to put make them academic-standard-compliant (if they weren't before).

[1] Notice, this is my furlough day.