

If you enjoy coding, want to know how good you are as a programmer, or you want to improve your coding skills by solving various algorithmic puzzles and competition problems, then this is a chance for you! Together with your team, you will have the opportunity and support to participate in various competitions like the ACM ICPC International Collegiate Programming Contest, IEEEXtreme, and various Google coding competitions. You will also have the opportunity to learn from other teams and past competitors. All undergraduates and postgraduate students are invited to participate. If you are interested in forming a team, please reply to this email at m.adedayo@uwinnipeg.ca with the team name and the names and student numbers of your team members. If you will like to be added to a team please also send your name and student number. A team can be made up of only 1 student and up to 6 students but may be restructured for specific competitions.

The first set of competitions for this year will be taking place as follows:

- **Google Kick Start Round G - 16 October 2021, 12:00 UTC**
(<https://codingcompetitions.withgoogle.com/kickstart/about>)
Google kick start is a good way to improve your programming skills and solve algorithmic challenges. There are various rounds during the year and top competitors from the each kick start round may also be invited to interview Google! The next round is a 3-hours contest happening on 16 October 2021 at 12:00 UTC
- **IEEEXtreme 15.0 Competition – 23 October 2021** (<https://ieeextreme.org/>)
IEEEXtreme 15.0 is a global 24-hour programming competition among teams of up to 3 students. A team can be made up of both undergraduate and postgraduate students. The competition will take place on 23 October but the registration deadline is earlier.

If you are interested in participating in any of the competitions, either as a team or otherwise, please send Dr. Mary Adedayo an email ASAP at m.adedayo@uwinnipeg.ca to have you registered before the deadlines. Please note that you can also form your team and prepare for future competitions even if you do not want to participate in the competitions above.