Question Set 3. Requirements Analysis.

Due Date: Wednesday, 23 January, 2002.

Read these instructions carefully.

Read the Handout passed out in class on Friday, 18 January 2002. The handout is titled "3.3 Requirements Prerequisite". If you don't have the handout, you may pick it up outside my office, Sieg 226C.

Reread the Project Description handed out on the first day of class. If you don't have this handout, you can download it from the 403 web page.

The goal of this Question Set is to get you thinking about the issues we'll be discussing in further depth on the 23rd-25th. You don't need to have very formal answers to the questions – just show that you did think some about requirements issues before coming to class on Wednesday. Phrases are fine.

1. Think about the software you are supposed to write for the 403 class your software project. What is this software supposed to do? What would the user of this software need? Jot down some notes in answer to these questions – don't write anything formal, just some thoughts that come to mind.

2. What questions come to mind when you think about the requirements of this software system? If you had an intended user of the system in front of you, what questions would you ask him/her? What's unclear? Don't worry about having an exhaustive list here. Just jot down some questions that show you are starting to think about these issues.

Feel free to talk it over with your group members or other members of the class. However, everyone should submit their own copy of the work.

Please make 2 copies of your work; turn in one copy and keep one copy for your binder.