

Your name

CS 280 Winter 2022

February 18, 2022

Project Proposal

Topic

My project will explore the social context of computing and the nature of professionalism for computer professionals.

Deliverable and Rationale

My project deliverable will be a formal book review of Clive Thompson's *Coders: The Making of a New Tribe and the Remaking of the World* (2019). In addition to preparing an academic book review, I plan to contribute to a handful of online book review sites that feature this book. I choose to do the book review option because I love reading, especially on topics that I am passionate about; the culture of coding and programming included. A book review is appropriate for an individual project.

From what I have read so far, Thompson touches on the history of programming, the culture of coding, and importance of ethics in computing. I expect that his book will explore many more topics pertaining to the learning outcomes of this class and I am excited to analyze Thompson's delivery of them.

Tentative Plan

My plan is to finish the book by March 21, giving me approximately 3 weeks to finish the final project deliverable. I will organize my writing with an outline, first draft, and final copy. As I

read, I have been marking off sections and quotes that I believe will be valuable to include in my analysis. After finishing my main review, my plan is to adapt that review into smaller reviews that I will be post to sites that feature Thompson's *Coders*. Thus far, I have found the book on <https://www.goodreads.com/>, <https://www.amazon.ca/>, and <https://www.kirkusreviews.com/>. I expect to contribute something about Thompson's book to each of them.

- **February 11 – March 21: Read novel (an average of about 15 pages per day)**
- **March 21 – April 4: Write main review:**
 - **March 21 – March 25: Compose Outline**
 - **March 25 – April 1: First Draft**
 - **April 1 – April 4: Edit Final Copy, Final Touches**
- **April 4 – April 8: Adapt small and different reviews from the main review, contribute to online review forums**
- **April 11: Due date, hand in final copy of main review along with copies of online review submissions**