

## Homework Assignment 0

Due Sep. 3

This homework is to make sure that all students have access to Blackboard and to provide me with some basic information on your background and material for the course. Please submit your answers via Blackboard by the due date.

**This homework will not be graded.**

1. **Crypto Background:** Do you have any prior background in cryptography? If so, please list any prior courses or background.
2. **Attendance:** Do you anticipate missing any lectures this semester? Will you be around for the final exam period?
3. **Office Hours:** Please specify a day of the week and time that you would like for me to hold office hours. I will try to schedule my office hours at a time convenient for a majority of the students.
4. **Advanced topics lectures:** Please let me know if there are any crypto topics that you would like to learn about in the advanced topics lectures (at the end of the semester). Possible topics include: zero-knowledge proofs, secure database search, secure computation, blockchain fundamentals, etc. I am also happy to teach topics not on this list if there is significant interest in the class.