

Syllabus and Course Outline

MIS 526 Database Management

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Course Description:

This course provides a foundation for the design, implementation, and management of database systems. Students will study both design and implementation issues, however, database management issues will be emphasized. Management issues will include transaction management and concurrency control, distributed database management systems, and database administration.

Course Prerequisite(s): See course catalog for prerequisites.

Course Objectives:

1. Understand the advantages, disadvantages and characteristics of file systems and different types of database systems, especially RDMS and its functions.
2. Understand the basic relational database and table components and concepts.
3. Understand how to interpret the symbols for E-R modeling tools and how ERD components affect database design and implementation.
4. Understands what normalization is, normalization techniques and what role normalization plays in the database design process.
5. Understands how SQL is used for data manipulation, querying and data administration and the basic commands and functions of SQL.
6. Understands how to conduct a database initial study and conceptual design and the steps involved in the Database Life Cycle.
7. Understands how database transactions are managed, including concurrency control and database recovery, so as to maintain database integrity.

Accommodations

Students requesting accommodations for disabilities must go through the Academic Support Committee. For more information, please contact the Director of Disability Resources & Services, Halladay Student Services Bldg., Room 303D, (903) 886-5835.

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Conduct

“All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment.” ([See Guidebook, p. 42-45](#))

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the pursuit of scholarly activity free from fraud and deception and is an educational objective of this institution. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarizing, fabricating of information or citations, facilitating acts of academic dishonesty by others, having unauthorized possession of examinations, submitting work of another person or work previously used without informing the instructor, or tampering with the academic work of other students

All work submitted to this Instructor may be submitted to an academic integrity verification service such as Turnitin.com.

You are responsible for authenticating any assignment submitted to this instructor. If asked, you must be able to produce proof that the assignment submitted is actually your own work. Therefore, it is recommended that you engage in a verifiable working process on assignments. Keep copies of all drafts of your work, make photocopies of research materials, keep logs or journals of your work on assignments, and papers, learn to save a version of assignments under individual filenames on computers or diskettes, etc.

The inability to authenticate your work, should it be requested, is sufficient grounds for failing an assignment.

Appeals Process:

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Textbook(s) and Other Materials:

Required:

Hands-on Database: An Introduction Database Design and Development. Conger, S., 2012. ISBN-13: 9780132837743 or go here: http://www.coursesmart.com/IR/932765/9780136108283?_hdv=6.8 (\$35.99)

eText Rental Link: <http://www.coursesmart.com/IR/940705/9780136108283>

SQL: Visual QuickStart Guide, 3rd Edition. Fehily, C., 2008 ISBN-13: 978-0-321-58406-9

eText Rental Link (Safari): <http://www.mypearsonstore.com/bookstore/product.asp?isbn=0321553578&xid=PSED>

Grading:

Grading Percentages	
A =	90= percent of total points
B =	80-89 percent of total points
C =	70-79 percent of total points
D =	60-69 percent of the total points
F =	59- or less percent of the total points

Eight Assignments @ 200 points	1,600
Ten Discussions @ 20 points	200
Journal submissions for 200 points	200
SAP HANA Activities @ 200 points	800
Total Points Possible	2,800

You will submit your work through eCollege.

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Late assignments may have points deducted from the final score.

Using someone else's words or ideas as if they were your own is plagiarism. The way to avoid this is to give credit to the author. Use citations to give credit to the author; you will gain the respect of other professionals, and you will also avoid an automatic F on the paper and most likely for the course.

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Journaling

In any information system work, you need to develop the habit of journaling. It is a method of documenting your progress in the project and the hurdles that confront you. It is very much similar to internal documentation, but with a twist. Not only do you state what you are doing and why it is necessary, but you identify the difficulties that you confronted in the process. In a sense, you will identify all of the false starts, as well as what you ended up doing.

In this course, you will use the Journaling app at the top of the eCollege page. You will include a copy of the work that you submit for each assignment, with annotations that identify what all you did and why you did it. Consider this your diary of the project that will include both the trials and blessings of your trek to a finished database. Most of your assignments will have to be cut and pasted into the window provided. You will not be able to include much in the form of graphics as the box is a text box. I would encourage you to attempt different things to see how this works. The most important thing is to document your thoughts and efforts.

SAP HANA

For the SAP HANA work especially, you will need to create a journal as a word-processing document. As you encounter problems, you will identify what you did, what went wrong and as much information about your system as is possible. This will need to be done so that the Instructor can use the information to turn in a work order. In addition to your textual description do a screen capture (ctrl/alt/PrtScn) and then paste it into the appropriate location in the text to document what you are seeing. Again the amount of detail is important. Any time we are working with software and hardware, we are bound to have troubles. We do our best to minimize them, but with the variety of hardware in use, it is inevitable. To offset that, we will use your documentation to submit trouble reports and attempt to discover solutions to your problems. I will provide many documents for your use in installing the software, but your system is not like anyone else’s and so will need some tweaking to make it work correctly. This will help. Make sure that you have accessed all of the support materials provided in Doc Sharing. Trouble shooting is part of this course and it is expected that students will play an active role in the process.

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Course Outline and Assignments:

Unit	Date	Reading Assignment	Assignment
1	September 8	Chapter 1 in HOD Introduction in VQG SQL	Assignment 1: Granfield College P. 18
2	September 22	Chapter 2 in HOD	Assignment 2: Granfield College P. 39
	September 29	Chapter 3 in HOD Chapter 3 in VQG SQL	Assignment 3: Granfield College P. 59
3	October 6	Chapter 4 in HOD	Assignment 4: Granfield College P. 79
	October 20	Chapter 5 in HOD Chapter 2 in VQG SQL	Assignment 5: Granfield College P. 99 SAP HANA Activity 1
4	November 3	Chapter 6 in HOD Chapter 3 in VQG SQL	Assignment 6: Granfield College P. 122 SAP HANA Activity 2
	November 17	Chapter 7 in HOD Chapter 10 in VQG SQL	Assignment 7: Granfield College P. 150 SAP HANA Activity 3
5	December 8	Chapter 8 in HOD Chapter 13 in VQG SQL	Assignment 8: Granfield College P. 169 SAP HANA Activity 4 No work accepted after this date!!!!

⁺ Assignments are due 2400 hours (midnight) of the date that they are assigned.