



ALBERS

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
AND ECONOMICS

Database Systems in Business

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course introduces the fundamental concepts of popular database systems, including structured (relational), semi-structured (NoSQL), and unstructured (Big Data) databases and database systems.

The first part of the course is focused on the relational model and SQL queries, using Microsoft's SQL Server for practice and assignments.

The second part of the course dives into the data management concepts of MongoDB and Hadoop, respectively. It provides an opportunity for students to query data structures that are distinctly different than the traditional SQL relational databases. It will also introduce the complexity of Graph databases and allow students to use query features in Power BI, which they'll need for creating visualizations later.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this course (i.e. by passing this course), you will be able to:

1. Understand corporate data requirements and data management
2. Understand modern database designs and management systems
3. Be proficient in understanding the design and implementation of relational and nonrelational database systems
4. Master SQL to query relational data for decision making
5. Develop a comfort with MongoDB Query Language (MQL) and understand how to build queries that access Document data structures
6. Develop skills in using Power BI's data query (M-language) tools to query a variety of data structures and systems Able to query and visualize Graph data for network analysis.
7. Understand the complexities and design requirements for unstructured database systems using Hadoop.

TEXTS AND MATERIALS

- *SQL Queries for Mere Mortals, 4/E*, by John Viescas, ISBN-10: 0-13-485833-6; ISBN-13: 978-0-13-485833-3; Publisher: Pearson; Copyright: 2018.
- *MongoDB The Definitive Guide, 3/E*, by Bradshaw, Brazil, & Chodorow, ISBN-978-1-491-95446-1; Publisher: O'Reilly
- *Hadoop Application Architectures, 1/E*, by Grover, Malaska, Seidman, & Shapira, ISBN-978-1-491-90008-6; Publisher: O'Reilly
 - This book is available for free-download from Github at:
 - <https://github.com/samadhankadam/Hadoop-Ebook/blob/master/Hadoop%20Application%20Architectures.pdf>

COURSE OUTLINE

WEEK	TOPICS
1	Introduction and Overview, DBMS and SQL Overview
2	SQL Basics and filtering
3	SQL Sets and Joins
4	SQL Unions and SubQueries
5	SQL Aggregations and advanced filtering and grouping
6	MidTerm SQL Case statements
7	SQL Modifying Data, Logic, Views, and stored procedures
8	NoSQL Overview, MongoDB (MQL) Basics and Query Operators
9	MongoDB Aggregation and CRUD
10	Power BI, Graph Data Unstructured Data Overview and Hadoop Framework

EVALUATION AND GRADING

Assignment	Percentage
Assignments	40 %
MidTerm Exam	20 %
Data Translation Project	20 %
Final Exam	20 %
Total	100%

Point scale

94.0% and higher

90.0% - 93.9%

87.0% - 89.9%

84.0% - 86.9%

80.0% - 83.9%

Letter grade

A

A-

B+

B

B-

Point scale

77.0% - 79.9%

74.0% - 76.9%

70.0% - 73.9%

Letter grade

C+

C

C-

COURSE POLICIES

ATTENDANCE

Attendance in an online course is evidenced by logging into, and being an active participant, in our online course site. Active participation is an essential and intrinsic element of the education process. Absence affects the learning experience and erodes the program's norms for quality. Inactivity in the course may result in a grade reduction at the discretion of the instructor(s).

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LATE WORK

Assignments must be submitted by the set deadlines. Since professors block out times in their schedules specifically for grading your work, the MBA program faculty

have established a policy of not accepting late work. We also understand, however, how demanding your work and school and life are as well. As such, we do allow late work to be accepted with a 10%/day grade reduction (including weekends). The deduction will be taken from the maximum number of points available on the assignment. Exceptions or extensions or modifications to these penalties may be made only in the event of rare and extenuating circumstances. Every effort should be made to let your professor(s) know about your extenuating circumstances before the assignment is due.

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