CIS 4301-115 - 60182 - Database Theory and Practices
COSC 4301-115 - 60183 - Database Theory and Practices
Summer 2022
Texas A&M University - Central Texas

COURSE DATES, MODALITY, AND LOCATION

Course Dates: 6 Jun - 29 Jul
Modality: This is a 100% online course and uses the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [https://tamuct.instructure.com/].
Location: N/A

INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Instructor: Emmet Gray
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Phone: No office phone, COBA Admin - (254) 519-5437
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Office Hours:
I am available for "virtual" office hours via WebEx, Zoom, Teams, etc. Please contact me via Canvas to schedule a time to be online.

Mode of instruction and course access:
This is 100% on-line course with asynchronous content via video lectures. It makes extensive use of the TAMUCT Canvas Learning Management System (https://tamuct.instructure.com). The course syllabus, schedule, supplemental readings, class announcements, power point slides, learning modules, homework assignments, exams and other course related documents will be posted on Canvas. Each student is responsible for the posted material, and should check Canvas several times a week for updates

Student-instructor interaction:
I typically respond to Canvas email within 24 hours except on weekends. I can meet with students (either virtually or face to face at the university) by appointment.

Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas
SAFEZONE. SafeZone provides a public safety application that gives you the ability to call for help with the push of a button. It also provides Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate emergency information quickly via push notifications, email, and text messages. All students automatically receive email and text messages via their myCT accounts. Downloading SafeZone allows access to push notifications and enables you to connect directly for help through the app.
You can download SafeZone from the app store and use your myCT credentials to log in. If you would like more information, you can visit the SafeZone website [www.safezoneapp.com].

To register SafeZone on your phone, please follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Download the SafeZone App from your phone store using the link below:
   - iPhone/iPad: [https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756]

2. Launch the app and enter your myCT email address (e.g. {name}@tamuct.edu)

3. Complete your profile and accept the terms of service
COURSE INFORMATION

Course Overview and description:
Examine database concepts and structures and understand file and data management principles underlying database construction. Learn fundamental types of database models, with emphasis on relational databases and major non-relational forms. Develop skills in analysis, design, development, and optimization of working database applications on a variety of problems. Prerequisite(s): 12 hours of CIS courses or permission of department chair.

Course Objective:
This course covers the essential database concepts required for developing databases for business users. Particular emphasis is given "normalization" and to the increasing use of Internet, commonly available analysis tools, and big data.

Student Learning Outcomes:
A student successfully completing this course will be able to:

1. Explain the role of databases and database applications in business.
2. Use data modeling to create relational databases.
3. Describe and distinguish among normalized forms
4. Design entity-relationship diagrams using standard notation
5. Transform data models into database concept designs using referential integrity constraints
6. Create SQL statements for constructing database components and for retrieving information from databases.
7. Describe the special needs of multi-user databases and techniques to control data concurrency issues.
8. Use security best practices to prevent unauthorized access or modification of data
9. Analyze a business scenario and build a "real world" database

The following is a "cross walk" of the overall program learning objectives and the course-level student learning outcomes listed above:
Course Learning Outcomes | Demonstrate proficiency in written communications on technical subjects | Recognize a reasoned resolution to an ethical challenge in computing context | Design appropriate computing solutions to business problems | Apply knowledge to address the IT security needs of an organization | Demonstrate knowledge proficiency in the area of concentration
---|---|---|---|---|---
1 | x | | | | 
2 | | x | | | 
3 | | x | | x | 
4 | | | x | | 
5 | | | x | | 
6 | | | | x | 
7 | | | | x | 
8 | | | | | x 
9 | | | | | x 

**Competency Goals Statements (certification or standards):**
Section not used

**Required Reading and Textbook(s):**
Required:

*Database Processing: Fundamentals, Design & Implementation, 16th Edition*
Authors: Kroenke, Auer, Vandenberg
Edition: 16th
Publisher: Pearson, 2022
ISBN: 9780136930174

*Note: An electronic version of the books may be available.*

*Note: A student of this institution is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from a university-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.*

**Supplemental Material:**
The course textbook will be supplemented with other materials including lecture notes, handouts, oral presentations, industry articles, research paper readings, case studies, Power Point presentations etc.

**Required Reading:**
The student is expected to read and review all material presented in the assigned chapter prior to class.
COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Course Requirements

Examinations: There will be two exams, one midterm and one final exam. Each is worth 10 points. The midterm covers chapters 1-6, and the final covers chapters 7-12. Exams will be completed in one session and will be timed.

Quizzes: There will be 6 take-home small quizzes. Each quiz is worth 5 points. The quizzes will be available via Canvas for a short period of time (typically 1 week), be completed in one session, and be will timed.

Assignments: There will be 6 take-home assignments. Each assignment will be worth 5 points. Assignments will typically be available on Canvas for 2 weeks. Multiple submissions are typically allowed.

Term Project: There will be 1 term project that will be worth 15 points. This assignment will typically be available on Canvas for 4 weeks.

Participation: Your participation score is based your weekly Journals, the Syllabus Test, and the number of things that you fail to turn in.

Point Scores: The final grade for the course will be based upon the following:

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<td>C</td>
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Note: Point scores are not rounded

Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion
**Exams & Quizzes:** Exams and quizzes will receive a numeric score (0-100) each. Scores will be converted to points and totaled as shown in the example below:

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<td>88</td>
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**Requirements for Assignments:** Assignments must follow the requirements as stated in the Canvas assignment system; demonstrate the concepts; get proper results; be organized, use comments, and use best practices.

The following grading rubric is used for assignments:

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<th>% of Grade</th>
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<td>20%</td>
<td>Meets all of the requirements of the assignment</td>
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<td>Significant details of the requirements are missing</td>
<td>Significant portions of the requirements are missing</td>
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<td>Chapter Specific Objectives</td>
<td>35%</td>
<td>Fully demonstrates the concepts of the chapter</td>
<td>Applies major and minor concepts of the chapter</td>
<td>Applies only major concepts of the chapter</td>
<td>Chapter concepts not in evidence</td>
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<td>Gets proper results</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>No Errors, Gets Proper Results</td>
<td>Minor errors, Gets Proper Results</td>
<td>Minor errors, does not produce proper results</td>
<td>Does not produce proper results</td>
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<td>Best Practices</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>Database uses best practices at every opportunity</td>
<td>Minor issues with best practices</td>
<td>Large portions have best practices issues</td>
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<td>Spelling, grammar, formatting</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td>No more than 1 issue</td>
<td>Between 2-5 issues</td>
<td>Between 5-10 issues</td>
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**File Naming Convention:** Submit your assignments via Canvas using file names with the following format:

CIS4301 [AssignmentID] [LastName.FirstName].[extension]

Example:
CIS4301 Assignment1 Doe.John.docx

**Posting of Grades:** All student grades will be posted on the Canvas Grade Book and students should monitor their grading status through this tool. Grades will be posted within 7 days after the due date.

**Late Policy:** Exams, Quizzes, and Assignments are due by midnight on the date assigned in Canvas. Typically, this is 11:59 PM each Wednesday and Friday. A 5-point penalty will be assessed for each day a requirement is late.
## COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR

### Complete Course Calendar

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### Chapters:

1. Introduction
2. Introduction to Structured Query Language
3. The Relational Model and Normalization
4. Database Design Using Normalization
5. Data Modeling with the Entity-Relationship Model
6. Transforming Data Models into Database Designs
7. SQL for Database Construction and Application Processing
8. Database Redesign
9. Managing Enterprise Databases
   
Online 10A. Managing Databases with Microsoft SQL Server 2019
11. The Web Server Environment
12. Data Warehouses and Business Intelligence Systems
13. Big Data, NoSQL, and the Cloud

Appendix A. Getting Started with Microsoft Access 2019
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TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT

Technology Requirements.

This course will require that you use Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, and Visio.

Visio is part of the normal Office suite, but it is not bundled with Microsoft Office. You will need to get an account on "Azure Dev Tools for Teaching" so that you can download Microsoft Visio for your own PC. You should use the instruction in Supplemental Materials to obtain an account. I highly recommend that you do NOT wait until the first day of class to process your request.

Software for this course requires that you use a Windows based PC (preferably Windows 10).

I will demonstrate in lecture how to download and install the specific version of Microsoft SQL Server that will be used in the course.

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. We strongly recommend the latest versions of Chrome or Firefox browsers. Canvas no longer supports any version of Internet Explorer.

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [https://tamuct.instructure.com/] or access Canvas through the TAMUCT Online link in myCT [https://tamuct.onecampus.com/]. You will log in through our Microsoft portal.

Username: Your MyCT email address. Password: Your MyCT password

Canvas Support
Use the Canvas Help link, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can select “Chat with Canvas Support,” submit a support request through “Report a Problem,” or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

Online Proctored Testing
A&M-Central Texas uses Proctorio for online identity verification and proctored testing. This service is provided at no direct cost to students. If the course requires identity verification or proctored testing, the technology requirements are: Any computer meeting the minimum computing requirements, plus web camera, speaker, and microphone (or headset). Proctorio also requires the Chrome web browser with their custom plug in

Other Technology Support
For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central.
24 hours a day, 7 days a week:
Email: helpdesk@tamu.edu  
Phone: (254) 519-5466  
Web Chat: http://hdc.tamu.edu

Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.

Technology issues are not an excuse for missing a course requirement – make sure your computer is configured correctly and address issues well in advance of deadlines.
COURSE AND UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES, AND POLICIES

Drop Policy
If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete the Drop Request Dynamic Form through Warrior Web.


Faculty cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Registrar’s Office will provide a deadline on the Academic Calendar for which the form must be completed. Once you submit the completed form to the Registrar’s Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Registrar’s Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an F in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

Academic Integrity
Texas A&M University-Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. All academic misconduct concerns will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

For more information regarding the Student Conduct process, [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html].

If you know of potential honor violations by other students, you may submit a report, [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=0].

Academic Accommodations
At Texas A&M University-Central Texas, we value an inclusive learning environment where every student has an equal chance to succeed and has the right to a barrier-free education. The Warrior Center for Student Success, Equity and Inclusion is responsible for ensuring that students with a disability receive equal access to the university’s programs, services and activities. If you believe you have a disability requiring reasonable accommodations, please contact the Office of Access and Inclusion, WH-212; or call (254) 501-5836. Any information you provide is private and confidential and will be treated as such.

For more information, please visit our Access & Inclusion Canvas page (log-in required) [https://tamuct.instructure.com/courses/717]
Important information for Pregnant and/or Parenting Students

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights, the Dean of Student Affairs’ Office can assist students who are pregnant and/or parenting in seeking accommodations related to pregnancy and/or parenting. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible. For more information, please visit Student Affairs [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/pregnant-and-parenting-students.html]. Students may also contact the institution’s Title IX Coordinator. If you would like to read more about these requirements and guidelines online, please visit the website [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf].

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex and gender—including pregnancy, parenting, and all related conditions. A&M-Central Texas is able to provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodation to pregnant and parenting students. All pregnant and parenting students should contact the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs at (254) 501-5909 to seek out assistance. Students may also contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator.

Tutoring

Tutoring is available to all A&M-Central Texas students, both virtually and in-person. Student success coaching is available online upon request.

If you have a question, are interested in becoming a tutor, or in need of success coaching contact the Warrior Center for Student Success, Equity and Inclusion at (254) 501-5836, visit the Warrior Center at 212 Warrior Hall, or by emailing WarriorCenter@tamuct.edu.

To schedule tutoring sessions and view tutor availability, please visit Tutor Matching Services [https://tutormatchingservice.com/TAMUCT] or visit the Tutoring Center in 111 Warrior Hall.

Chat live with a remote tutor 24/7 for almost any subject from on your computer! Tutor.com is an online tutoring platform that enables A&M-Central Texas students to log in and receive online tutoring support at no additional cost. This tool provides tutoring in over 40 subject areas except writing support. Access Tutor.com through Canvas.

University Writing Center

Located in Warrior Hall 416, the University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (A&M–Central Texas) is a free service open to all A&M–Central Texas students. For the Summer 2022 semester, the hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday in Warrior Hall 416 (with online tutoring available every hour as well) with satellite hours available online only Monday thru Thursday from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and most Saturdays from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students’ ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students’ texts, offering guidance.
and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

Students may arrange a one-to-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by making an appointment via WCOnline at [https://tamuct.mywconline.com/]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu if you have any questions about the UWC, need any assistance with scheduling, or would like to schedule a recurring appointment with your favorite tutor.

University Library

The University Library provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 200 electronic databases containing approximately 400,000 eBooks and 82,000 journals, in addition to the 96,000 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available 24 hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place virtually through WebEx, Microsoft Teams or in-person at the library. Schedule an appointment here [https://tamuct.libcal.com/appointments/?g=6956]. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group work spaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our Library website [http://tamuct.libguides.com/index].

A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Wellness and Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).

Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and
victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don’t agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don’t be a bystander; be an agent of change. For additional information on campus policy and resources visit the Title IX webpage [https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html].

Behavioral Intervention

Texas A&M University-Central Texas cares about the safety, health, and well-being of its students, faculty, staff, and community. If you are aware of individuals for whom you have a concern, please make a referral to the Behavioral Intervention Team. Referring your concern shows you care. You can complete the referral online [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=2]. Anonymous referrals are accepted. Please see the Behavioral Intervention Team website for more information [https://www.tamuct.edu/bit]. If a person’s behavior poses an imminent threat to you or another, contact 911 or A&M-Central Texas University Police at 254-501-5805.
INSTRUCTOR POLICIES

Policies related to absence, grading, etc.

- You are responsible for all class material presented during an absence.
- All work is submitted through Canvas and due on the specified due date/time.
- A penalty of 5 points per day is applied to late Exams, Quizzes, and Assignments.
- Most assignments can be submitted multiple times, even after grading
- Late penalties are also applied to resubmitted items
- Missed exams, quizzes, and assignments will receive a grade of zero.

My Personal Statement

- You will receive feedback in the form of graded assignments within 7 days after the due date.
- I want you to read the feedback that I provide to you (your personal grading notes, Canvas emails, and Canvas discussion forums).
- I am almost always available via email and typically respond within 24 hours except on weekends.
- I prefer email over phone conversations

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