

# TECH.UB.0001 05, 06 & 07: Information Technology in Business & Society

#### FALL 2021 TR 9:30-10:45am, 11am-12:15pm & 2-3:30pm Class Start Date: Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> Class End Date: Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> Classroom: KMC: 3-110 FINAL SYLLABUS

#### Instructor:

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# **Description:**

The role of information technology is central to businesses and has had a broad impact on business and society. This course introduces how information systems & technology is used to support business processes and enterprise-wide initiatives to fulfill the strategic, tactical and operational requirements of business organizations such as customer relationship management (CRM), enterprise resource planning (ERP), supply chain management (SCM), and e-Business. The course will teach students fundamentals of how hardware, software, the internet and databases work. The course also looks at the role of emerging technologies such as 3D Printing, Blockchain and LiFi. The social, ethical, and security issues that arise with the adoption of information technology is discussed in class as well. Various business scenarios and problems are presented to teach students how to use IT/IS to formulate, analyze, and solve problems. Students will understand how to develop an IS strategy, as well as how to procure, develop and secure information systems. In addition, the class will consist of workshops that will introduce students to hands on skills with manipulating data, namely SQL, Tableau and Google Sheets that are useful in the job market.

#### Scope of Class:

The goal of the course is to prepare students to use, manage and participate in information technology. Among the areas of focus include:

1. Terminology: The ability to explain the meaning of terms used to describe common techniques and concepts in business information systems.

2. Advanced Information Systems Concepts: Describe the ways in which computers have and will continue to be used in areas such as telecommunications, electronic commerce, data management, business intelligence and systems planning & acquisition.

3. Behavioral and Organizational Issues: Identify and suggest appropriate responses to managerial and organizational issues stemming from development, implementation, and use of computer-based information systems.

4. International Issues: How to address challenges in implementing international information systems, including economic and cultural differences.

5. Social and Ethical Issues. Understand some of the social and ethical issues involve in the development and use of information technology.

6. Tactical Skills: How to perform intermediate functions in Google Sheets / Excel, how to retrieve data from a relational database using SQL and pgAdmin4 and how to visualize data using Tableau.

#### **Requirements:**

**Textbook**: <u>Management Information Systems</u>; 7<sup>th</sup> Edition; Sousa, Oz; Cengage Learning, Inc; 978-1285-18613-9. The text is available at the NYU Bookstore or digitally at cengage.com.

Supplemental readings, homework assignments, solutions, data sets and other relevant information will be posted on Classes.

To gain hands-on database experience, students will complete tutorials and written assignments using and pgAdmin4 (a SQL querying tool). For the data visualization section, students will use and complete assignments using Tableau Desktop. All tools are free and work well with Mac, Linux and Windows. Please make sure your laptop meets the requirements for the latest version of Tableau Desktop.

#### Grading:

**Class Attendance and Professionalism** (10% of final grade): Attendance is taken at the start of every class by students signing the attendance sheet. Students who do not sign the attendance sheet at the start of class will be marked late and / or absent if they fail to sign. Please be sure to sign one of the attendance sheets as soon as you walk in to get credit for being on time. Professionalism includes students turning off computers except when you are asked to do lab work, not web surfing or doing other work not related to the class during class time and turning cell/smartphones off during class. Students are able to check their attendance records on NYU Classes. Any questions on class attendance records should be directed to the Teaching Assistant.

Per NYU policies: Faculty will excuse absences only in the case of documented serious illness, family emergency, religious observance, or civic obligation. Please refer to NYU's policy on Religious Holidays - <u>https://www.nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/university-calendar-policy-on-religious-holidays.html</u>. In accordance with this policy, if you will miss class for religious observance or civic obligation, whenever possible, notify the

faculty member in advance of such anticipated absence. Recruiting activities and business trips are not acceptable reasons for absence from class. If a student is absent from the first day of an intensive course, the instructor may request that the student be removed from the course. Students are expected to arrive to class on time and stay to the end of the class period. Arriving late or leaving class early will have impact on the course grade. Students may enter class late only if given permission by the instructor and can do so without disrupting the class. (Note that instructors are not obligated to admit late students or may choose to admit them only at specific times and instructors are not obligated to readmit students who leave class.)

Personal Days: This class provides two personal days or unexcused absences where a reason does not to be provided for missing class (it can be a recruiting activity, etc). These personal days cannot be exam dates or the date of your presentation. It is recommended that these absences are taken during individual presentations or group presentations. You are responsible for making up any work you miss during a personal day.

Arriving Late, Leaving Early, Coming & Going (per NYU policies): Students are expected to arrive to class on time and stay to the end of the class period. Arriving late or leaving class early will have impact on the course grade. Students may enter class late only if given permission by the instructor and can do so without disrupting the class. (Note that instructors are not obligated to admit late students or may choose to admit them only at specific times and instructors are not obligated to readmit students who leave class.)

**Participation** (10% of final grade): Class participation is a crucial element of the class. Students are expected to actively participate in class discussions by answering the professor's questions and coming to class prepared with the information on the cases. Students should bring a name tag to every class or state their name clearly. Students who fail to participate / speak in class may receive a 0 out of 10 for their final participation score.

# Assignments (10% of final grade)

Assignments will give students the opportunity to apply the skills learned in class discussion, textbooks and class exercises. Assignments will be checked for completeness (complete vs. incomplete, with a grade of either 1 or 0) but not graded. Students are responsible for checking their own assignments against the answer keys. Per NYU policy, late assignments will either not be accepted or will incur a grade penalty unless due to documented serious illness or family emergency. Instructors will make exceptions to this policy for reasons of religious observance or civic obligation, when students make arrangements for late submission with the instructor in advance.

While standard NYU policies state that students may not work together on graded assignment, in this particular class, the instructor gives express permission to work together on assignments, however an individual submission is required. No group submissions will be accepted.

**Pop Quizzes** (0-10% of final grade, Assignments & Participation grades will be adjusted accordingly.) The instructor reserves the right to administer up to two pop quizzes that may be

given at any point during the course. The pop quizzes will cover questions from assignments or the previous lecture.

# Exams (50% of final grade)

There will be two exams for the class. Each exam will be based on selected chapters from the textbook, slides from class and affiliated homework assignments. Each exam will be worth 25%. Below are the tentative dates for the exams. Please note snow days, school closings or changes in the syllabus may result in shifting of exam dates.

Exam # 1: Thursday, October 28th

Exam # 2: Final Exam Week per NYU Exam Schedule (NYU Releases the date October)

NO MAKEUP EXAMS WILL BE GIVEN AND EXAMS MUST BE TAKEN ON THE DAYS SPECIFIED. Students who fail to show up for an exam will receive a "0" for the exam.

# Individual Presentations (10% of final grade)

The individual presentation will be assigned on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. PDFs of the presentations will be due at 11:55PM EDT on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students will have 2 minutes to present in class.

# Final Group Presentations (10% of final grade)

The final project is a group project and will be assigned on Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. The final project will be due at 11:55PM EDT on Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.

# **Course Policies:**

# **Academic Integrity**

Integrity is critical to the learning process and to all that we do here at NYU Stern. As members of our community, all students agree to abide by the NYU Stern Student Code of Conduct, which includes a commitment to:

- Exercise integrity in all aspects of one's academic work including, but not limited to, the preparation and completion of exams, papers and all other course requirements by not engaging in any method or means that provides an unfair advantage.
- Clearly acknowledge the work and efforts of others when submitting written work as one's own. Ideas, data, direct quotations (which should be designated with quotation marks), paraphrasing, creative expression, or any other incorporation of the work of others should be fully referenced.
- Refrain from behaving in ways that knowingly support, assist, or in any way attempt to enable another person to engage in any violation of the Code of Conduct. Our support also includes reporting any observed violations of this Code of Conduct or other School and University policies that are deemed to adversely affect the NYU Stern community.

The entire Stern Student Code of Conduct applies to all students enrolled in Stern courses and can be found here: <a href="http://www.stern.nyu.edu/uc/codeofconduct">www.stern.nyu.edu/uc/codeofconduct</a>

To help ensure the integrity of our learning community, prose assignments you submit to NYU Classes will be submitted to Turnitin. Turnitin will compare your submission to a database of prior submissions to Turnitin, current and archived Web pages, periodicals, journals, and publications. Additionally, your document will become part of the Turnitin database

#### **General Conduct & Behavior**

Students are also expected to maintain and abide by the highest standards of professional conduct and behavior. Please familiarize yourself with Stern's Policy in Regard to In-Class Behavior & Expectations (http://www.stern.nyu.edu/portal-partners/current-students/undergraduate/resources-policies/academic-policies/index.htm) and the NYU Student Conduct Policy (https://www.nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/university-student-conduct-policy.html).

#### Disability

If you have a qualified disability and will require academic accommodation of any kind during this course, you must notify me at the beginning of the course and provide a letter from the Moses Center for Students with Disabilities (CSD, 998-4980, <u>www.nyu.edu/csd</u>) verifying your registration and outlining the accommodations they recommend. If you will need to take an exam at the CSD, you must submit a completed Exam Accommodations Form to them at least one week prior to the scheduled exam time to be guaranteed accommodation

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#### **Laptop Policy**

For the workshop lectures (lectures on Google Sheets, SQL and Tableau) and the Cybersecurity Simulation case, a laptop will be required. As a tech class, you're welcome to use your laptop during lectures. If you do use your laptop in a non-workshop class, please sit in the back row and do not use the laptop for web-surfing or work unrelated to the class. Students who do not use laptops for class-related work may be penalized / receive a grade deduction on their attendance at the discretion of the instructor.

**Exam Attendance** 

Makeup Exams will not be given. Those who fail to show up for any exams will receive a zero for the exam. Those who show up late to exams must finish the exam within the originally allotted time and will not be allowed to submit their exam late.