

Sul Ross State University
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GBA 5304 Management Information – ALP
Syllabus – spring 2016

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Class 12:00 pm - 12:50 pm MWF Briscoe Administrative 00317

Overview

This course is intended to engage students with the main concepts of the IS discipline via clear learning objectives, which are reinforced with up-to-date business examples and hands-on practice. The text coverage includes globalization and career emphasis, vignettes, business examples, special interest boxes, and case studies

Method of Delivery

This course is a Face-to-Face type. Please make sure that your Blackboard account is in order, you will need Blackboard to take your quizzes/exams and turn in your assignments.

Course Purpose/Objectives

Specific topic coverage includes: An Introduction to Information Systems; Information Systems in Organizations; Hardware: Input, Processing, and Output Devices; Software: Systems and Application Software; Organizing Data and Information; Telecommunications and Networks; The Internet, Intranets, and Extranets; Electronic Commerce; Transaction Processing and Enterprise Resource Planning Systems; Information and Decision Support Systems; Specialized Information Systems: Artificial Intelligence, Expert Systems, Virtual Reality, and Other Systems; Systems Investigation and Analysis; Systems Design, Implementation, Maintenance, and Review; Security, Privacy, and Ethical Issues in Information Systems and the Internet

Prerequisite

It is expected that the student will have a basic knowledge of the use of a microcomputer, basic understanding of MS Windows, file management and Web navigation skills.

Text/Materials

Management Information Systems, 7th Edition, Kenneth J. Sousa Bryant University
Effy Oz Penn State University, ISBN-10: 1285186133 | ISBN-13: 9781285186139

Teaching Methods

Assignments: Problems, cases and readings will be periodically assigned to help support and supplement material found in the textbook. No make-ups are allowed, unless medical or extreme conditions are considered.

Exams: Four exams and a Final will be assigned. These exams will be delivered through Blackboard with a time limit. No make-ups are allowed, unless medical or extreme conditions are considered.

Grading

Letter grades will be determined using a standard percentage point evaluation as outlined below.

A 90 - 100 points

B 80 - 89 points

C 70 - 79 points

D 60 - 69 points

F Below 60 points

The final grade will be computed on the following weights:

Exam 1= 15%

Exam 2= 15%

Exam 3= 15%

Exam 4= 15%

Assignments 15%

Participation 5%

Final 20%

Total Points 1000

Course Policies

Exams, quizzes and assignments: NO MAKE UPS ARE ALLOWED, unless medical or extreme conditions are present.

Academic dishonesty

You are expected to do your own work on all assignments, exams, quizzes, and projects. Any dishonest work will be penalized with a grade of zero.

Attendance

Any student who accumulates 5 absences will be automatically dropped from this course.

Cheating Policy

Students are expected to uphold the school's standard of conduct relating to academic honesty. Students assume full responsibility for the content and integrity of the academic work they submit. The guiding principle of academic integrity shall be that a student's submitted work, examinations, reports, and projects must be that of the student's own work. Students shall be guilty of violating the honor code if they:

1. Represent the work of others as their own.
2. Use or obtain unauthorized assistance in any academic work.
3. Give unauthorized assistance to other students.
4. Modify, without instructor approval, an examination, paper, record, or report for the purpose of obtaining additional credit.
5. Misrepresent the content of submitted work.

The penalty for violating the honor code is severe. Any student violating the honor code is subject to receive a failing grade for the course and will be reported to the Office of

Student Affairs. If a student is unclear about whether a particular situation may constitute an honor code violation, the student should meet with the instructor to discuss the situation. For this class, it is permissible to assist classmates in general discussions of computing techniques. General advice and interaction are encouraged. Each person, however, must develop his or her own solutions to the assigned projects, assignments, and tasks. In other words, students may not "work together" on graded assignments. Such collaboration constitutes cheating. A student may not use or copy (by any means) another's work (or portions of it) and represent it as his/her own. If you need help on an

assignment, contact your instructor, not other classmates.

Need for assistance

Qualified students with disabilities needing academic or other accommodations to ensure full participation in the programs, services and activities at Sul Ross State University should contact the Disabilities Services Coordinator, in Counseling and Prevention Services, Ferguson Hall 112, Box C-117, Alpine, Texas 79832.

Technical assistance for Blackboard is available the by contacting the following toll-free number, 24 hours, 7 days a week: 1-877-725-4357. Or go to the Blackboard help website at: <http://eduprise.custhelp.com>

Posting of Grades

As soon as assignments, exams, and quizzes are graded, the grades will be posted in Blackboard.