

COURSE SYLLABUS

Fall 2015

School of ALLIED Health, Business, and STEM	CSA 140 – CRN 3062	Database Applications (Access)
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Department	Course No.	Course Title
3	1.5	1.5
Credit Hrs.	# Lecture hrs/week	# Lab hrs/week
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Course prerequisites: Eligible for ENG 101E

Course Location (building/room number): Online

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Course Description:

CSA 140 Database Applications (Access) provides an introduction to database software. Students will learn to create and manipulate databases using leading database packages currently popular in business and industry. Students will get an overview of the range of available database management systems and an understanding of fundamental theory. Hands-on work will be emphasized.

Scope of course:

CSA 140 Database Applications (Access) is an introduction to database software. Students will learn how to design, create, and manipulate databases using Microsoft Access. Topics will include table design, forms, queries, and reports. Students will also learn the fundamentals of defining table relationships and explore the features of a relational database management system. Upon completion of this course students will be able to successfully create, use and maintain databases in the work environment.

Program/Discipline Learning Outcomes Contained in Course:

The goal of the School of ALLIED Health, Business, and STEM is to incorporate the following learning outcomes into each course:

- ♦ Written and oral communication skills
- ♦ Critical thinking, problem solving, and analytical skills
- ♦ Interpersonal skills and awareness
- ♦ Teamwork, team-building, and project focus
- ♦ Knowledge of ethical and legal business behavior
- ♦ Awareness and respect for other perspectives
- ♦ Global awareness and diversity
- ♦ Flexibility and adaptive to change

- ♦ Personal productivity and organizational skills
- ♦ Ability to understand your customer
- ♦ Understand process management

Importance of Course in Program/Discipline:

CSA140 – Database Applications gives students hands on training in the very popular Microsoft Office Access relational database management system. This course serves students in several programs within the Business Division. For Business Office Technology students it offers an in depth knowledge of a RDBMS that is often used in companies large and small. Information Systems majors use this course as a foundational course for the more advanced Database Design course. Business Administration students gain a broader perspective of the application of technology in the business context. The ability to create, load, and manipulate a database can serve both professional and personal data management needs. It positions our students with marketable technical skills.

Learning Outcomes:

The goal of CSA140 is to provide each student with a basic level of database proficiency. The following list describes the learning outcomes that support this overall goal:

- ♦ Understand and be able to define the terms used in the database environment.
- ♦ Identify the components of the Access and Database windows.
- ♦ Create, load, modify, and save a table
- ♦ Create, run, update, print, and perform calculations in a query.
- ♦ Build forms and subforms using the wizard and design view facilities.
- ♦ Design and customize reports
- ♦ Establish and modify relationships between tables
- ♦ Create macros and switchboards

Textbooks and other required readings/computer software/materials/library reserve room:

- Textbook:** New Perspectives on Microsoft Access 2013 Comprehensive
+ SAM 2013 Assessment
Joseph J. Adamski and Kathleen T. Finnegan
Course Technology
- Software:** Microsoft Access 2013

Attendance Policy:

Students are expected to participate in on online course through assignments, projects, exams, and chat sessions. An online course allows the student to establish a flexible schedule to do work. Chat sessions will be scheduled to facilitate group discussion during the semester. When chat sessions are scheduled, students are encouraged to participate.

Course work grades are cumulative over the semester

Subject		Points	Total Points	Weight %
Homework	Tutorial Projects	25 each	200	40
Projects	SAM Projects	25 each	100	20
	Final Project	80	80	16
Test	Midterm Test	100	100	20
Discussions	1 & 2	10 each	20	4
		Total	500	100%

In determining final grades, the following percentages will be used:

A	95-100	A-	90 - 94		
B+	87 - 89	B	83 – 86	B-	80 - 82
C+	77 – 79	C	73 – 76	C-	70 – 72
D+	65 - 69	D	60 – 64	F	Less than 60

***Note: There is no make-up test. Any urgent matters (including Blackboard Technical Problems) should be brought to instructor’s attention immediately. Missed test without an excused absence will automatically be given a grade zero.**

All assignments **need to be submitted on time**. Late submission of assignments will be assessed a penalty of 10% per day. No exceptions are made.

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Unit Outlines/Unit Objectives/Expected Outcomes/Assessment Measures:

Each unit will cover specific objectives with the chapter. Students are expected to read the assigned chapters and do the assignments listed. The assessment measures of quizzes, exams and computer assignments are listed below.

Week	Material	Topic	Project and other Assignments
1 (8/31-9/06)	Tutorials on the Blackboard & SAM 2013 Website	Introduction and Overview Orientation to Blackboard Learn & SAM 2013 Office: Getting Started with MS Office 2013	Discussion Board: Self-Introduction
2 (9/07-9/13)	Tutorial 1	Creating a Database	Tutorial 1
3 (9/14-9/20)	Tutorial 2	Building a Database and Defining Table Relationships	Tutorial 2
4 (9/21- 9/27)	Tutorial 3	Maintaining and Querying a Database	Tutorial 3
5 (9/28- 10/04)	Tutorial 3 (continued)	Maintaining and Querying a Database	SAM Project 1
6 (10/05-10/11)	Tutorial 4	Creating Forms and Reports	Tutorial 4
7 (10/12- 10/18)	Tutorial 5	Creating Advanced Queries and Enhancing Table Design	Tutorial 5
8 (10/19-10/25)	Tutorial 5 (Continued)	Creating Advanced Queries and Enhancing Table Design	SAM Project 2
9 (10/26-11/01)		Midterm Review Midterm Test	Midterm Test
10 (11/02 -11/08)	Tutorial 6	Using Form Tools and Creating Custom Forms	Tutorial 6

11 (11/09-11/15)	Tutorial 6 (continued)	Using Form Tools and Creating Custom Forms	SAM Project 3
12 (11/16 - 11/22)	Tutorial 7	Creating Custom Reports	Tutorial 7
13 (11/23 – 11/28)	Tutorial 7 (continued)	Creating Custom Reports	SAM Project 4 Final Project assigned
14 (11/30 – 12/06)	Tutorial 9	Using Action Queries and Advanced Table Relationships	Tutorial 9
15 (12/07 - 12/13)	Tutorial 10	Automating Tasks with Macros	Final Project
16 (12/14 - 12/20)		Final Project Week	Final Project

Course schedule and assignments may be subject to change

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- Secondary Title IX Coordinator Ms. Queen Fordham

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