

CMPT 155: Computer Applications for Life Sciences

Lecture 1: Syllabus and Introduction to Excel

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Presentation Outline

- 1 Syllabus and Course Introduction
- 2 Introduction to Excel

General Info

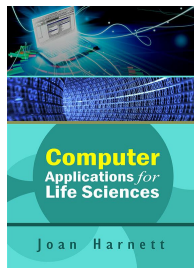
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About the Course

- Section 01: Tuesday, Wednesday Friday
8:00-8:50 AM
- Section 02: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 - 9:50 AM

Textbook

- Computer Application for Life Sciences,
Revised edition, Joan Harnett, Linus
Learning, 2014.
- ISBN 13: 978-1-60797-501-4



Grading

- 1st Midterm Exam: 15%
- 2nd Midterm Exam: 15%
- Final Exam: 30%
- Attendance & Participation: 5%
- Lab Assignments and Homework: 35%

Important Dates

- *Tentative* Date of 1st Midterm Exam:
10/01/2021
- Midterm Grades Due: 10/19/2021
- *Tentative* Date of 2nd Midterm:
11/05/2021
- Last Day to Withdraw from Courses:
11/19/2021
- Date of Final Exam: 12/17/2021

Attendance Policy

- **Attendance is Mandatory**
- Attendance and **Participation** counts for 5% of your grade.

What is Participation?

- 1 Engaging with the class
- 2 Asking questions
- 3 participating in the moodle forum

Electronic Devices

- Do not Check e-mail or visit websites extraneous to the course during class.
- Phones should be silent(including rumble) in 2021.

Homework Policy

- Submit Homework Assignments on Moodle.
- Due 1 week after announced (Typically on Fridays).
- **No Late Work is Accepted**
- Assignments can be worked out together, but must be typed separately.

Advice for computer/programming based homework:

- 1 Isolate the ideas/chapters of the course material are explored in the assignment.

Advice to be Successful in this Course

- Attend Class
- Take notes
- **Engage with the Material** by doing examples.
- Ask Questions!
- Save/Document programs.
- Do personal programs and projects! (e.g., Tracking Spending, Budgeting, Fitness goals)

About Excel

- It's not free
- Free options
 - 1 Campus computers
 - 2 RLC 103 8am-10pm
 - 3 library 24h
 - 4 Open-Source! LibreOffice!

About Excel Cont.

- Excel is a Front-End Data Manipulation software, for the Language Visual Basic
- Excel is can store smallish ($< 1\text{GB}$) datasets.

Common Spreadsheets

- Business Documents
 - ▶ financial statements, invoices, expense reports.
- Personal Documents
 - ▶ Budgets, Chore/Bill Split
- Business Documents
 - ▶ Numerical Data, Simulated data, Quantitative/Qualitative data.
- Excel is great because: it
 - ▶ Portable way to share/collaborate on data analysis.
 - ▶ Easy to follow/traceable methods of visualizing data, following data manipulation.
 - ▶ Templates are easy to make and distribute.

Ex:Annual Cancer Deaths

| State | Cigarettes per person | Lung Cancer | Leukemia |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------|
| California | 2860 | 22.07 | 7.06 |
| Idaho | 2010 | 13.58 | 6.62 |
| Illinois | 2791 | 22.80 | 7.27 |
| Indiana | 2618 | 20.30 | 7.00 |
| Iowa | 2212 | 16.59 | 7.69 |
| Kansas | 2184 | 16.84 | 7.42 |
| Kentucky | 2344 | 17.71 | 6.41 |
| Massachusetts | 2692 | 22.04 | 6.89 |
| Minnesota | 2206 | 14.20 | 8.28 |
| New York | 2914 | 25.02 | 7.23 |
| Alaska | 3034 | 25.88 | 4.90 |
| Nevada | 4240 | 23.03 | 6.67 |
| Utah | 1400 | 12.01 | 6.71 |
| Texas | 2257 | 20.74 | 7.02 |

