



CSC150 Database Apps and Design using SQL

Instructor Information

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Class Section

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Thursday 7:00 – 9:50 PM
Room S313

Required Materials:

- SQL Fundamentals, 3rd Ed. John J. Patrick, Prentice Hall, 2009 ISBN: 9780137126026
- A full PDF copy is provided for you on our Blackboard course.
- You may want to buy the printed text as it is often difficult for students to switch between a digital text book and the software application while working.

Student Learning Goals

- Write SQL to get data from a relational database, even in complex situations
- Write SQL to build new tables and to control the data in tables
- Understand relational database concepts and terminology
- Use technical reference documentation
- Understand the stages of the usual evolution of a database

Expectations

In general, it is expected that students will:

- Come to class prepared, i.e., having completed the assigned readings, and/or written work. Students not prepared for class will be asked to leave until they are prepared.
- *Respectfully* listen to the lecturer and your classroom colleagues.
- Routinely check Gateway e-mail accounts and the Announcements area on Blackboard for messages. NOTE: All email must be sent through your student Gateway Email account. I DO NOT respond to communications sent via personal email.
- Abide by GWCC's Academic Policy and Computer Use Policy

Time Requirements

Each student will need a different amount of time to complete reading and homework assignments based upon his/her previous experience. Plan for 2-4 hours per week outside of class.

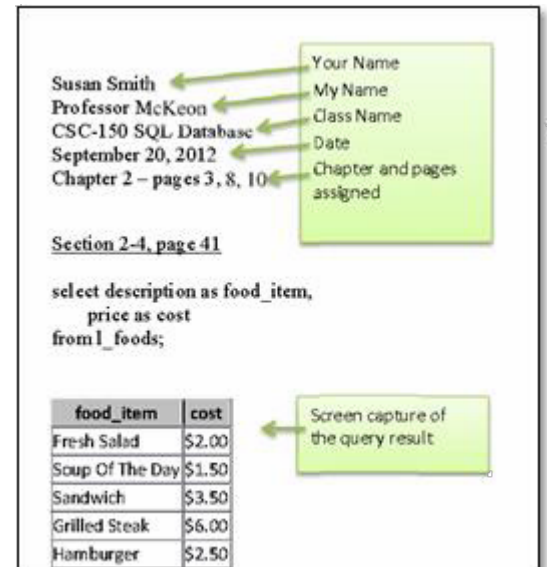
Written Work/Homework Requirements:

Format for written work assigned for this class:

- A Microsoft Word template will be provided to you for homework
- It will look like the example here.

Testing Policy

- If you miss a test due to an **EXCUSED** absence you may take the test at a mutually agreed upon time. An **Excused absence** means you have a doctor's note or you made arrangements with me in advance due to work or family commitment.
- If you miss the test due to an **UNEXCUSED** absence, **you cannot make up the test and will receive a zero. An unexcused absence means you didn't show up for the test with no explanation.**
- If you come in **late for test, without prior arrangement** you will **only have the time left in the test period to complete.** (For example, if the test is scheduled for 60 minutes and you show up 30 minutes late, you only have 30 minutes to complete.)
- ALL test must be taken with me. You cannot take with another instructor or proctor. There are no take home tests.
- Tests **MUST** be taken on the classroom computers. You cannot use your own laptop.
- If you have a documented need for extra time or accommodations, I must have your official letter of adjustment emailed to me by the Learning Disability Specialist before the end of the second week of class. This is your responsibility, not mine.

**Grading**

BE AWARE THAT I WILL NOT NEGOTIATE GRADES! Your recorded grade will reflect your effort and accomplishment. If you are unable to keep up with the outlined course content, you should consider dropping the course and taking it at a more opportune time.

- All assignments are due per the indicated due date!
- Grades are calculated as percentage of total points available. It will be at my discretion whether grades are adjusted upward should the percentage be above the halfway point. It is not an automatic raise!
- Assignments are due on the given date, unless arrangements are made in advanced with me.

Student performance will be evaluated based on the following:

Grading is based on total points earned via throughout the semester.

- Attendance & Attitude (A&A) 10%
- Homework 25%
- Tests 30%
- Final Exam 35%

Homework Goal

The goal of homework is to give you practice working through the challenging material. Learning coding and software requires hands-on repetition to secure the skills. It is not like other subjects where you can “cram” the night before a test. The class material needs time and focus.

Academic Integrity and Classroom Behavior

Open students work together after class on homework assignments, but each student is expected to do his or her own work. Plagiarism, turning in work derived from someone else’s work without full attribution of anyone else’s work, will result in a failing grade.

You are required to do your own assignments and hand in original work. If duplicate work is submitted, both students will receive a zero on that assignment. It doesn’t help you learn the material! **YES, I DO FIND DUPLICATES!**

Beware – a student might ask you to “help” them by sharing your homework to review. Often that student will submit your work as their own. It happens every semester and I catch it every semester. Help each other but don’t hand others your work.

***Gateway Community College Statement on Academic Honesty and Classroom Behavior** - At Gateway Community College we expect the highest standards of academic honesty. Academic dishonesty is prohibited in accordance with the Board of Trustees’ Proscribed Conduct Policy in Section 5.2.1 of the Board of Trustees’ Policy Manual. This policy prohibits cheating on examinations, unauthorized collaboration on assignments, unauthorized access to examinations or course materials, plagiarism, zero tolerance for threatening, intimidating, and violent behavior, and other proscribed activities. Plagiarism is defined as the use of another’s idea(s) or phrase(s) and representing that/those idea(s) as your own, either intentionally or unintentionally. (Excerpted from the Board of Trustees Policy 5.2.1, amended 2/26/90)*

Attendance

Students missing class are still responsible for any materials covered in that class. Homework is still due on the given date, even if you are not physically in class. **Students missing more than 25% of classes will not be given college course credit for this class.**

Class Standards/Etiquette

- Cell phones WILL BE SET to silent mode. Under no circumstances are phones to be answered in class. Anyone ignoring this policy may be asked to leave class. However, there are emergency circumstances that require a student to be available by phone. Let me know prior to class and then, if necessary, take the call outside the classroom. (Be advised that these situations are considered rare and infrequent.) THANK YOU!
- Clothing: **Hats, hoodies, sunglasses, do-rags and anything else deemed by me to be unprofessional are not allowed in class.** You must remove while in class.
- Food: No eating meals in class
- No vaping in class.

Communication

I cannot stress enough the importance of communicating with me regarding any course related questions or issues. I cannot work with you unless you communicate with me what's going on. **If you are having trouble or falling behind, talk with me and let's try to work it out for your benefit.** My email

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Disability Statement

Any student who feels s/he may need an adjustment based on the impact of a documented disability, please contact the office of Student Disability Services at 203-285-2231 in room S-202 to coordinate reasonable adjustment. Students then should contact the professor privately to discuss specific needs.

Computer Use Policy of Gateway Community College

This Computer Use Policy governs all computer users at Gateway Community College and outlines the acceptable use of its computer resources. The policy has been formulated in accordance with the state of Connecticut, Department of Information Technology acceptable use policy, Connecticut software management policy and Connecticut General Statute 53, sections 451-453. Violation of this Computer Use Policy may result in a loss of access privileges as well as college disciplinary and/or legal action.

User Responsibilities – Computer users must be mindful of the impact of their activities on computing resources, network resources, and other users. The holder of either a network or Banner account is responsible for his/her actions and activity within his/her account. If a violation of the computer use policy is suspected, the College reserves the right to examine any of Gateway Community College's owned or operated computer resources, communication systems, and/or files.