

Queens College  
of the City University of New York  
Department of Computer Science

CSCI 331  
Mon & Wed 8:00 to 9:15 p.m.

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## DATABASE SYSTEMS

### DESCRIPTION

This course will discuss principles of database systems including database architecture, relational algebra and calculus, SQL, database design, normal forms, query processing, transaction processing, security, backup and recovery. Programming projects will be used to demonstrate these concepts.

### READING

- Thomas Connolly and Carolyn Begg, *Database Systems: A Practical Approach to Design, Implementation, and Management*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, Addison-Wesley, 2014. ISBN 978-013-2943260
- Numerous handouts

The textbook has been placed on reserve in the library.

### GRADING

#### Exams (75%)

Lowest grade of the first two exams	17%
Highest grade of the first two exams	28%
Final Exam	30%

#### Projects (25%)

### EXAMS

Students must attend and complete all three exams. No exceptions. There are no make-up exams. After completing three exams, the lowest of the first two exam grades will be computed at 17% of your final grade and the highest of the first two exams will be computed at 28%. The final exam will be 30% of your final grade. Missing exams will receive a zero grade and will not receive the lower percentage.

You are required to comply with the exam procedures available on Blackboard at *Exams/Exam Procedures*

Exams are scheduled for March 7, April 23 and the final exam scheduled by the register in May.

## PROJECTS

You must complete all projects. Missing projects will receive a zero grade. No projects will be accepted after the cutoff date. Points will be deducted daily for late projects. Project submission guidelines and due dates are available on Blackboard and in the project handout.

## OFFICE HOURS AND E-MAIL

If you have questions that cannot be taken up in class, you may schedule an appointment to see me during my office hours posted on Blackboard or contact me by e-mail at *Daniel.Leavitt@qc.cuny.edu*

## BLACKBOARD

Reference Blackboard frequently for the syllabus, class announcements, readings, topics for each class, projects, handouts, exam study guides, your grades, video tutorials and user guides.

## SOFTWARE

Programming projects will utilize Oracle Database Express Edition 11g Release 2. The use of other database systems must receive prior instructor approval. Documentation and videos to install and develop in Oracle is available on Blackboard.

## ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Projects and examinations must represent your own work. Group exams and projects are not permitted. You should neither copy another student's project or exam nor permit another student to see your work. You can be asked to perform specific procedures and operations in the presence of the instructor. A student who submits an exam or project that is too similar to another student's work will receive a **ZERO**. Additional penalties may be imposed. Students found guilty of any form of academic dishonesty such as plagiarism or cheating on an exam or project, are subject to discipline, including, but not limited to, failure in the course and suspension or dismissal from the College.

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Date	Class	Topic	Reading & Notes
Jan 29	1	Database Management	Ch 1, p. 3-33; Ch 2, p. 49-56
Jan 31	2	Relational Model	Ch 2, p. 35-56; Ch 3, p. 57-64; Ch 4, p. 101-118
Feb 5	3	Relational Algebra	Ch 4, p. 101-118; Ch 5, p. 119-126
Feb 7	4	Entity Relationship	Ch 5, p. 119-132; Ch 12, p. 357-370
Feb 12		<b>College Closed</b>	
Feb 14	5	Entity Relationship	Ch 12, p. 357-384
Feb 19		<b>College Closed</b>	
Feb 20	6	Relational Algebra	Ch 5, p. 119-126; <i>Monday Schedule</i>
Feb 21	7	Relational Calculus	Ch 5, p. 133-142
Feb 26	8	SQL – DDL	Ch 6, p. 143-154; 177-181
Feb 28	9	SQL – DML	Ch 7, p. 185-205
Mar 5	10	SQL-Functions, Grouping	Ch 6, p. 154-181
Mar 7	11	<b>Exam 1</b>	
Mar 12	12	SQL-Nesting	Ch 6, p. 154-181
Mar 14	13	Normalization-Functional Dependency	Ch 14, p. 403-423
Mar 19	14	Normalization-3NF,BCNF	Ch 14, p. 424-426; Ch 15, p. 433-445
Mar 21	15	Normalization	Ch 14, p. 424-426; Ch 15, p. 433-451
Mar 26	16	Cloud Computing	Ch 3, p. 57-85
Mar 28	17	Oracle Architecture	Ch 3, p. 86-96
Apr 2		<b>No Class</b>	
Apr 4		<b>No Class</b>	
Apr 9	18	Backup and Recovery	Ch 20, p. 568-573
Apr 11		<b>No class</b>	<i>Friday Schedule</i>
Apr 16	19	Backup and Recovery	Ch 22, p. 652-677
Apr 18	20	SQL-Case Study	Ch 6, p. 154-181
Apr 23	21	<b>Exam 2</b>	
Apr 25	22	Concurrency Control	Ch 22, p. 619-627
Apr 30	23	Concurrency Control	Ch 22, p. 628-652
May 2	24	Case Study	
May 7	25	Security	Ch 7, p. 203-222; Ch 20, p. 559-569
May 9	26	Security	Ch 20, p. 573-584
May 14	27	Query Processing	Ch 23, p. 679-687
May 16	28	Query Processing	Ch 23, p. 688-696; <i>Last day of class</i>
May ??	29	<b>Final Exam</b>	