The University of Texas at Tyler
Introduction to Information Systems Software
COSC 1307 Syllabus

Instructor	Dr. Stephen B. Rainwater
Course Number:	COSC 1307-062
Course Title:	Introduction to Information Systems Software
Course Description: Students will become proficient in the use of common business-driven applications of a productivity suite like Microsoft Office. Applications covered include: word-processing, spreadsheets, database, and presentation software. MIS topics include: Business Intelligence, Ethics, E-Business, DSS, Enterprise Apps, Project Development, and Security	
Pre-requisites:	None
Credits:	3
Text(s): Access codes for electronic copies of the McGraw-Hill Lecture and Lab Texts may be purchased online via Connect and SIMnet Canvas links or from the UT Tyler Barnes and Noble Bookstore. There are no used materials; all class materials are online.	
Software Used: (If applicable)	Microsoft Office 2021 or 365. Mac computer users will be required to locate a non-Mac system (PC) for Microsoft Access application lab projects. PC lab availability in COB 252 and 2nd floor Muntz Library.
Topics (see attached weekly lecture and lab schedule): - Computer Hardware, Software and MS Windows (non-Mac users) - Microsoft Office Suite 2021 or 365: Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Access - Business documents, templates, MLA style, spreadsheet calculations, functions, charts, integration, database creation, queries, and reports, presentation software for live and kiosk-oriented distribution - Business processes, E-Business, Ethics, Information Security, Sustainable Technology, Business Intelligence, Enterprise Applications, Project Development and Management	
Additional Materials:	- Reliable internet access for lecture and lab activities, research on computer purchase information, computer ethics, and other concepts - Webcam (for proctored Connect lecture exams)

Grading and Evaluation	
1. 40% - Lecture Exams (Connect)	2. 20% - SIMnet Lab Exams
3. 10% - Connect Chapter Reviews	4. 30% - SIMnet SIMpaths and Projects
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Consult the University of Texas at Tyler Academic Calendar for reference to the Census Date and last date to withdraw from classes this semester (November 4). At least one graded activity must be completed by the Census Date (September 9) in this on-line class to retain course enrollment.	

Course Objectives: By the end of this course students are expected:	
1.	To define and use components of computers.
2.	To navigate in and work with the MS Windows operating system.
3.	To demonstrate an understanding of information systems in business and organization environments including business intelligence, ethics, e-business, decision support systems, enterprise applications, project development and management, and security.
4.	To prepare a variety of documents using appropriate formatting. (Microsoft Word)
5.	To create worksheets for data analysis. (Microsoft Excel)
6.	To develop a relational database with tables, queries, forms, and reports. (MS Access)
7.	To design slide shows and professional presentations. (Microsoft PowerPoint)
8.	To integrate Microsoft Office applications.

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Plagiarism: Unless otherwise specified, all work submitted for a grade must be completed by yourself - no group effort. Plagiarism will result in disciplinary actions. To spare yourself accusations of plagiarism:

1. Do not show another student a copy of your work before it has been graded. The penalties for permitting your work to be copied are the same as the penalties for copying someone else's work.
2. Do not leave printouts of your work where other students may pick them up.

Accommodation of Disabilities: Any student in this course who has a disability that may prevent them from fully demonstrating his or her ability should contact me personally as soon as possible so we can discuss accommodations that might improve your educational experience.

Recording of Class Session(s)

Class sessions (for example, our course orientation via Zoom) may be recorded by the instructor for use by students enrolled in this course. Recordings that contain personally identifiable information or other information subject to FERPA shall not be shared with individuals not enrolled in this course unless appropriate consent is obtained from all relevant students. Class recordings are reserved only for the use of students enrolled in the course and only for educational purposes. Course recordings should not be shared outside of the course in any form without express permission.

LECTURE SCHEDULE – McGraw-Hill Connect SOFTWARE AND E-BOOK REQUIRED
Week 01: Orientation
Week 02: Appendix A: Hardware and Software Basics
Week 03: Chapter 1. Business Driven MIS
Week 04: Chapter 2. Value Driven Decisions in Business - Lecture Test 1 over Chapters 1, 2, and Appendix A
Week 05: Chapter 3. E-Business
Week 06: Chapter 4. Ethics, Information Security
Week 07: Lecture Test 2 over Chapters 3 and 4
Week 08: Chapter 5. Sustainable Infrastructures and Technology
Week 09: Chapter 6. Business Intelligence
Week 10: Chapter 7. Networks and Mobile Business - Lecture Test 3 over Chapters 5 - 7
Week 11: Chapter 8. Enterprise Applications
Week 12: Chapter 9. System Development and Project Management
Week 13: Lecture Test 4 over Chapters 8 and 9
Week 14: Completion of all remaining chapter reviews and lecture tests
Week 15: Final exam week – submission of any remaining Connect work by December 5

LAB SCHEDULE – M-H SIMnet SOFTWARE, E-BOOK, OFFICE 2021 or 365 REQUIRED
Week 01: Office 2021 and Windows 10/11
Week 02: Word 2021 Chapter 1: Creating and Editing Documents
Week 03: Word 2021 Chapter 2: Formatting and Customizing Documents
Week 04: Word 2021 Chapter 3: Working with Reports and Multipage Documents
Week 05: Word 2021 Chapter 4: Using Tables, Columns, and Graphics
Week 06: PowerPoint 2021 Chapter 1: Creating and Editing Presentations
Week 07: PowerPoint 2021 Chapter 2: Illustrating with Graphics
Week 08: PowerPoint 2021 Chapter 3: Delivery and using Slide Presentations
Week 09: Access 2021 Ch. 1: Creating a Database & Tables (Mac platforms do not have Access)
Week 10: Access 2021 Chapter 2: Database Queries, Sorts, Manipulation (no Access on Macs)
Week 11: Excel 2021 Chapter 1: Creating and Editing Workbooks
Week 12: Excel 2021 Chapter 2: Working with Formulas and Functions
Week 13: Excel 2021 Chapter 3: Creating and Editing Charts
Week 14: Excel 2021 Chapter 4: Import, Tables, Sort/Filter, Conditional Formats - submission of any remaining lab project work by December 1.
Week 15: Final exam week - completion of any remaining SIMnet lab exams by December 5

** Be sure to purchase the text/software bundle from the UT Tyler Barnes and Noble bookstore or directly from McGraw-Hill Publishing via your Canvas M-H Connect and SIMnet log-ins. Bundles secured from either source will include M-H Connect, SIMnet, electronic textbook (i.e., SIMnet SIMbooks), and all testing software. Purchasing course materials elsewhere will result in significantly higher costs for your course materials and/or likely incorrect course materials! **

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COSC 1307 LECTURE AND LAB SCHEDULE – FALL 2024

AUG	26	**WEEK ONE** **LOG IN TO CANVAS** **REVIEW GETTING STARTED MODULE**
	28 30	***ZOOM ORIENTATION*** ***Thursday, Aug. 29, 7:00 pm*** **SIMnet – OFFICE 2021 SIMPath**
SEP	2	**WEEK TWO** ***Campus closed for Memorial Day***
	4	**Connect – Appendix A:** **HARDWARE & SOFTWARE BASICS**
	6	**SIMnet – WORD 2021 CH 1** **Creating and Editing Documents**
SEP	9	**WEEK THREE** **Chap. 1 - Business Driven MIS**
	11 13	**SIMnet – WORD 2021 CH 2** **Formatting and Customizing Documents**
SEP	16	**WEEK FOUR** **Connect – CHAP. 2 Value Driven Business Decisions and Processes** **TAKE LECTURE TEST 1 THIS WEEK**
	18 20	**SIMnet – WORD 2021 CH 3** **Collaboration and Reports**
SEP	23	**WEEK FIVE** **Connect– CHAP 3. E-business**
	25 27	**SIMnet – WORD 2021 CH 4** **Tables, Columns,and Graphics** ***TAKE SIMnet WORD LAB TEST***
SEP	30	**WEEK SIX** **Connect – CHAP. 4 Ethics and Information Security**
OCT	2 4	**SIMnet – PPT 2021 CH 1** **Creating and Editing Presentations**
OCT	7	**WEEK SEVEN** **TAKE LECTURE TEST 2 THIS WEEK**
	9 11	**SIMnet – PPT 2021 CH 2** **Illustrating with Graphics**
OCT	14	**WEEK EIGHT** **Connect – CHAP. 5** **Sustainable Technology**
	16 18	**SIMnet – PPT 2021 CH 3** **Slide Presentations** ***TAKE SIMnet POWERPOINT LAB TEST***

OCT	21	**WEEK NINE** **Connect – CHAPTER 6** **Business Intelligence**
	23 25	**SIMnet – ACCESS 2021 CH 1** **Creating a Database and Tables**
OCT	28	**WEEK TEN** **Connect – CHAP. 7 Networks: Mobile Business** **TAKE LECTURE TEST 3 THIS WEEK**
NOV	30 1	***11/4 - LAST DATE TO WITHDRAW FROM ANY CLASS*** **SIMnet – ACCESS 2021 CH. 2 Using Design View, Validation and Relationships**
NOV	4	**WEEK ELEVEN** **Connect – CHAP. 8** **Business Communication**
	6 8	**SIMnet – EXCEL 2021 CH 1** **Creating and Editing Workbooks**
NOV	11	**WEEK TWELVE** **Connect – CHAP. 9** **Systems Development and Project Management: Corporate Responsibility**
	13 15	**SIMnet – EXCEL 2021 CH 2** **Formulas and Functions**
NOV	18	**WEEK THIRTEEN** **TAKE LECTURE TEST 4 THIS WEEK**
	20 22	**SIMnet – EXCEL 2021 CH 3** **Creating and Editing Charts**
NOV	24-30	***THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS*** ***Campus is closed Nov 28-29***
DEC	2 4 6	**WEEK FOURTEEN** **SIMnet – EXCEL 2021 CH 4 Imports, Tables, Sort/Filter and Conditional Formatting** ***TAKE SIMnet EXCEL LAB TEST*** ***LAST DAY TO SUBMIT ANY LAB WORK IS FRIDAY, DEC 6th!!***
DEC	9 11	**WEEK FIFTEEN** ***FINAL EXAM WEEK*** ***LAST DAY TO TAKE ANY EXAM FOR THIS CLASS IS WEDNESDAY, DEC 11th!***