

College of Southern Nevada
Course Syllabus
CIT180 - Database Concepts and SQL
Fall 2020 – 8/24/2020 – 12/13/2020

Course Information - CIT180 - Basic principles of data modeling and relational database design. Hands-on learning of Structured Query Language (SQL).

Prerequisite: IS 115 or equivalent programming experience or instructor permission. This course covers the Oracle Database management system.

Course meeting time/days/location - Online

Instructor Information

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Learning Outcomes - Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Explain the fundamental concepts of relational database design.
2. Illustrate the structure of a database with diagramming software.
3. Demonstrate normalization of data tables.
4. Use a database management system's tools to communicate with the database and to issue commands.
5. Use SQL commands to create tables and to insert, update and delete table data.
6. Code SQL queries to extract information from databases.
7. Create an SQL-based information system that will satisfy the requirements of a case study.

Textbook REQUIRED – We'll be using an eBook for this course.

Database Management & Design – MyEducator – Author: Gove

ISBN: 9780997378009

All the details will be provided on the first day of class. You can purchase the textbook on the first day of class if you use a credit card or a debit card. The bookstore also sells the textbook. You can always wait until the first day of class to decide where to purchase the textbook.

Late Work policy I do not accept late assignments, nor do I provide makeup assignments.

You are responsible for your own Internet connection when working remotely. Work ahead if you know you are going to have conflicts or time constraints. Please schedule yourself accordingly. There are NO MAKEUP exams or quizzes.

Method of Evaluation - Grades are based on exams and projects throughout the semester. All assignments will be submitted via the Canvas assignment dropbox. Detailed instructions will be provided in the text of the requirements for each of the assignments. If the Canvas email system fails and you must use a different system to submit your assignments, send your assignments files to my alternate email address. All exams are delivered through the Canvas system. All exams will have strict time limits and detailed information will be provided at least a week before the date of the exam.

Grade determination Your grade is based 2 exams, chapter quizzes, and homework assignments.

Midterm Exam - 20%

Final Exam - 20%

Chapter quizzes - 10%

Assignments - 50%

All exams may include True/False, Multiple-choice, short answers, and essay type questions. Full details will be provided a week before the start of an exam. The following is how letter grades are assigned based on total percentages of assignments and exams.

100 - 94 A

90 - < 94 A-

87 - < 90 B+

84 - < 87 B

80 - < 84 B-

77 - < 80 C+

70 - < 77 C

60 - < 70 D

< 60 F

NOTE: We will use material from the Oracle Academy. Detailed instructions to access this resource will be included in Canvas.

Attendance Policy College assumes maturity, seriousness of purpose, and self-discipline for meeting the responsibilities associated with each course. If you will need the instructor to sign documents testifying about your attendance, **YOU** must come to the instructor after each class you attend to let her know you were there. Class participation is a strong aspect of this course and your participation is always encouraged.

Academic Integrity Taking the words of others or presenting the ideas of others as your own not only limits your academic research skills, it also violates the CSN's Student Academic Integrity Policy. Cheating on exams or other course work also violates the CSN Student Academic Integrity Policy. You can find more information about CSN's Academic Integrity Policy at <https://at.csn.edu/documents/student-academic-integrity-policy>. The minimum penalty for such

offenses in this course is to fail the assignment. Failing the course will also be considered as an option. Infractions of the CSN Student Academic Integrity Policy may lead to suspensions, expulsion, transcript notations or other sanctions.

You SHOULD NOT attempt to pay anyone to complete your work. You SHOULD NOT consult any web sites that provide answers to assignments.

Disability Resource Center - The College of Southern Nevada is committed to making physical facilities and instructional programs accessible to students with disabilities. If you have a disability that may have some impact on your work in this class and for which you may require accommodations, please visit the Disability Resource Center (DRC) so that such accommodations can be considered. All discussions will remain confidential. The Disability Resource Center (DRC) has offices at all three campus locations as the focal point for coordination of services for students with disabilities. If you have a physical, emotional, or mental disability that “substantially limits one or more major life activities (including walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning and working),” and will require accommodation in this class, please contact the DRC at WC (702) 651-5644 , or email at WCDRCStaff@csn.edu at NLV (702) 651-4045, or email at CYDRCStaff@csn.edu and at HNC (702) 651-3795, or email at HCDRCStaff@csn.edu. For Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services contact (702) 651- 4448, or email at Deaf.HH.Services@csn.edu. Students that receive accommodation letters, please meet with me to discuss the provisions of those accommodations as soon as possible.

Disclaimer This syllabus is subject to change with advance notice. Notices will be posted in the online forum. It is your responsibility to stay informed.

Tentative schedule - Schedule offered in Canvas on a timely basis.

Student Rights & Responsibilities When you choose to become a student at CSN, you accept the rights and responsibilities of membership in CSN’s academic and social community. You can find policies covering students such as the Student Conduct, Students’ Right to Know, Students’ Academic Integrity, and Disruptive and Abusive Student in the following locations:

- Catalog and Student Handbook: <https://www.csn.edu/catalog> in the Policies and Procedures section.
- CSN Website: <https://www.csn.edu/policies-procedures> under the heading “Student Policies.”

College Library Services CSN Libraries provides support for students completing assignments that require research and the use of information. Librarians are available to students for one-on-one assistance locating and citing quality information either online (<https://library.csn.edu/ask/>) or at one of our campus libraries. Find more information on our website (<https://library.csn.edu/>)

References - Safari Tech Books available through the library offer an excellent source of supplemental resources that you may use for this course.

To find Safari Books Online, go to the library’s web site at: library.csn.edu Click the Browse Databases button. In the A-Z Databases page that appears, click S to filter. The link to **Safari**

Books Online should be at or near the top of the list. Initially, you will have to enter your student email address, then create an account with Safari. Subsequently, you will use your email address and your Safari password to access the Safari resources.

Required extra- or co-curricular activities All activities are based on projects and exams assigned throughout the course. Any required extra activities will be clearly explained in class.

Safety This class does not have an experiment lab and therefore we will not be concerned about following specific safety strategies.

Additional fees There are no additional fees for this course.

Additional Information

CSN Student email All students enrolled at CSN have a CSN Student Email account. Beginning February 1, 2020, all information from the college will be sent to your CSN-issued student email address (enrollment information, financial aid information, cashier information, college events, etc.). **It is extremely important that you check your student email daily.** You can access your student email through GoCSN (go.csn.edu). Once you validate your student email address you will have access to Microsoft Office 365 for up to five devices and 1TB of OneDrive storage. www.csn.edu/email

Important Note If you have any concerns about this course and/or me, please contact me first. If I cannot resolve your issue, please contact CIT Department Office at 702-651-5976. You will be directed to the appropriate Program Director or the Department Chair. You will remain anonymous, if possible, and all communications will be strictly confidential. Please DO NOT wait until the last minute to make your concerns known to me and/or to the CIT Department.

Software requirements The Canvas Learning Management system can be run on most popular web browsers such as Internet Explorer, FireFox, Safari, etc. Canvas runs on Windows, Mac, Linux, iOS, Android, or any other device with a modern web browser. For more information, see <http://guides.instructure.com/s/2204/m/4214/1/41056-which-browsers-does-canvas-support>

***** Installing Oracle software is optional, and the process will be discussed in class. We will use Oracle**

Application Express that does not require software installation.

Our textbook includes a development environment for coding SQL commands.

Printing @ CSN: Printing in CSN classrooms, computer labs and libraries falls under the new Print Wise initiative, designed to help save natural and fiscal resources. Print Wise provides each CSN student with a \$10 credit toward printing at the start of each semester, which will provide for up to 200 black and white copies at 5¢ a page, or 40 color copies at 25¢ a page. After that, you may put money into your account online or at the CSN Cashier's Office to purchase additional prints at the same rate. It is **your responsibility** to maintain your printing accounts to cover printing expenses during each semester. More information about the Print Wise system may be found at www.csn.edu/printwise.

Advising & Coaching Services - Advisor/Success Coaches help students assess academic strengths and limitations, learn academic success strategies, explore careers, declare a major, navigate the educational system, access campus and community resources, and connect to campus life. The department also manages the CSN Faculty E-Alert System assisting instructional staff by working with students on strategies and interventions that lead to successful course completion.

Charleston Campus Bldg. D – Student Services Area 651-7367
North Las Vegas Campus 1100 Student Services Area 651-2626
Henderson Campus Bldg. B – Room 120 651-3103

Counseling & Retention Services - Counselors assist students who are on: academic warning/probation/suspension and financial aid warning/suspension. Counselors prepare academic suspension and financial aid appeals. Counselors help students who are having academic challenges and those who have been referred by their instructors through the MyCoyotePLAN Early Alert program. Counselors connect students to college and community resources and help them evaluate their options to make informed decisions. For more information about Counseling & Retention Services, please visit: <https://www.csn.edu/counselingdepartment>

Additional Notes

My responsibilities:

1. I will reply to your e-mail messages within one day. Replying to phone calls may take at most two days.
2. I will make sure to accommodate all your learning needs and will answer your questions in a timely manner.
3. I will try my best to resolve any issues.
4. I will return feedback and your grade on assignments within one week of the due date.

Your responsibilities:

1. Stay active in classroom discussions and activities. Let me know if you find any discrepancies in the syllabus, course material, or activity due dates, as soon as possible.
2. Watch the deadlines for exams and ask questions.
3. Do the best you can in the class and don't hesitate to ask for help.
4. You will review my feedback on your assignments and will let me know of any questions or concerns as soon as possible.

Withdrawal Policy - Instructors do not have the option of withdrawing students. For official withdrawal dates and other IMPORTANT college dates, look at the online schedule at: <https://www.csn.edu/semester-calendar-dates>

You are strongly encouraged to discuss your decisions with an academic counselor, academic adviser or success coach AND Student Financial Services, because these decisions may affect your financial aid and Satisfactory Academic Progress. Students receiving financial aid may find their awards reduced.

If you wish to receive a W in lieu of a grade, you MUST withdraw yourself officially from the

class. Once you have withdrawn (dropped), you must discontinue attending class. Alternatively, you may wish to change from Credit to Audit and continue to attend the class.

Change to Audit: Use this form

(https://at.csn.edu/sites/default/files/documents/auditing_classes_form.pdf). Print the form and fill it out, check the boxes, sign and date. Submit the completed form in person at the Registrar's Office. In order to avoid visiting the registrar's office in person, you may scan or photograph the signed form and send it, using your CSN student email, along with a clear color copy of your state ID to MyCSN.Updates@csn.edu

The following dates are for 16-week sessions:

August 26 - Last day for 100% refund

September 6 - Last day for 50% refund

September 6 - Last Day to Drop a Class WITHOUT a Grade of W

October 30 - Last Day to Officially Change from Credit to Audit

October 30 - Last Day to Drop a Class WITH a Grade of W

November 26 – November 27 – Thanksgiving break

December 16 - Grades are Due from Instructors

CLASS POLICIES This is an online section without any classroom meetings. All exams will be taken online administered through the Canvas system. All the course material is available online in Canvas. While the design of this course allows flexibility in your scheduling, please realize that the deadlines are just as strict as any other course. You should check the calendar and discussion postings daily and allocate your time accordingly to complete the readings and to be prepared for the exams. Due dates will be strictly adhered to. You will use the mail and discussion features of Canvas to contact me or ask questions.

A note on the online environment: To stay on task, I release chapter material and assignments on a timely basis. Exams can only be taken during the scheduled period. If you like to get material earlier than the rest of the class, send me an e-mail message and I will give you access to the material. The links to assignments and exams will disappear after their respective due dates. Some students have complained that some links disappear from time to time. This is most likely due to system issues or incommutability with your web browser. Please send an e-mail message informing me about any links that have disappeared from your view.

Online sections offer flexibility where you need to manage your time to achieve success. I will assign programming projects that will be graded, and you will have to take exams by specified due dates. **It is extremely simple to ignore due dates and fall behind which I hope we can seriously avoid!**

This is a single person class; meaning that you must turn in your own work. You are not allowed to collaborate or consult with anyone else while working on an exam. You are not allowed to collaborate on completing assignments. You should not be looking at each other's code for assignments. You can freely discuss items in the general sense. Cheating in any form will not be tolerated.

Finally, Internet access is your responsibility. This class can be accessed from any computer with Internet access anywhere in the world. Therefore, excuses such as “My computer is not working” or “My provider was down” are not acceptable. If you find yourself in a real jam, you may drive to any CSN site and use one of the computers in the CSN open computer labs. Of course, if there is a computer problem originating from CSN, then I will take corrective action. But in all other instances, it is your responsibility to ensure your own Internet access.

Software Lab The **software lab** will open on **August 31, 2020**. For location/date/time information, please visit <https://at.csn.edu/cit-information> Click on Networking and Software Lab Hours

Due to Covid-19 issues, software lab may be operated virtually. Detailed information will be provided in Canvas on the first day of class.

*Students will receive notification when on-ground software lab services resume. The CSN’s Center for Academic Success provides tutorial help. USE THEM! You can find all relevant information at www.csn.edu/pages/1902.asp

Centers for Academic Success (CAS) Centers for Academic Success (CAS) provides quality DROP-IN academic assistance to all students enrolled in for-credit courses at CSN. CSN CAS Tutors are available online through Smarthinking, which is accessed in the Canvas online learning management system. View a tutorial video on how to access CSN Tutors/Learning Assistants online at [How to Access CSN Tutors in Smarthinking](#). You may choose “Submit a Question” if you don’t have time for a live session. A Tutor responds to offline questions within 24 hours. Contact us at one of campus phone numbers, and we will assist you with accessing all learning support. Academic learning support includes assistance with placement test preparation, learning strategies, Canvas, Smarthinking online tutoring, Microsoft Office, reading, writing, oral presentations, math, and science. CAS Tutors also provide support in facilitating study groups. You may experience embedded learning assistance in one of your first-year courses. Professors and CAS Staff will make you aware of how to access services as part of your course curriculum. CAS is open Monday through Sunday to be more accessible to all students – Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Friday – Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Smarthinking tutors are available 24/7. You may visit www.csn.edu/centers-academic-success for more details or contact us at one of our offices during our regular operational hours: Charleston Centers (702-651-5732), North Las Vegas Learning Commons (702-651-4232), Henderson Learning Commons (702-651-3125).

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EXCESS CREDIT FEE INFORMATION Please visit <https://www.csn.edu/excess-credit-information> for information about the excess credit fee applied in certain circumstances.

TITLE IX Resources More information is available at <https://www.csn.edu/institutional-equity>

Objectionable materials Instructors have the responsibility to set and maintain standards of classroom behavior appropriate to the discipline and method of instruction. No objectionable materials or language will be used during this class. This includes all possible modes of the class: online and in person. The instructor will make the final determination regarding any objectionable materials or language. Students may not engage in activity the instructor deems disruptive or counterproductive to the goals of the class. Instructors have the right to remove offending students from class.

Public Health Directives (COVID-19)

Students must follow all active CSN public health directives while enrolled in this class. Properly worn face coverings are mandatory for all faculty and students in the classroom as well as on campus. CSN public health directives are found at <https://at.csn.edu/covid-19>. Students who do not comply with these directives will be asked to leave the classroom. Refusal to follow the guidelines may result in further disciplinary action according to the CSN Student Conduct Code https://www.csn.edu/sites/default/files/documents/student_conduct_code_policy_1.pdf, including being dropped from the course.

Recording Class

There are no recordings of the class allowed without the explicit permission of the instructor.

Early Alert Syllabus Statement

Early Alert Referral Program (MyCoyotePLAN) – A referral program to connect students with college resources when assistance is needed to achieve success. Referrals may be initiated by faculty and staff as well by students through MyCoyotePLAN. After a referral is submitted, students will receive an email notification and will be contacted by the department to which they were referred to offer assistance.

We will have assignments due on a regular basis. The due date for each assignment will be announced in Canvas and all assignments are delivered and submitted through Canvas. You must be diligent in checking due dates for assignments.

Additional NOTES:

Exams can only be taken during the specified dates.

Assignments – 50%

Chapter quizzes – 10%

Midterm Exam – 20%

Final Exam – 20%

Here is a formula for how your final grade is calculated:

(The average of homework assignments * .5 + The average of chapter quizzes * .1 + midterm exam * 0.2 + final exam * 0.2)

So, if Joe's average on homework assignments is 80, he earns an average of 85 for chapter quizzes, 75 points on exam1, and 80 points on exam 2, what is his total score? What is his overall course

grade?

Answer: $(80 * .5 + 85 * .1 + 75 * .2 + 80 * .2) = 79.5$

Letter grade: C+

The CANVAS system's grade book will allow you to track your grade for each item.

Fall 2020 – A tentative schedule

This schedule is subject to change with advanced notice

Week	Topics	Tentative Assignments & Exams due dates – SUBJECT to CHANGE
1 8/24 – 8/30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Syllabus and Introduction ✓ Getting to know the online environment ✓ Getting to know the eBook – Purchasing the textbook 	
2 8/31 – 9/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chapter 1: Databases For An Information Rich, Connected World 	Assignment 0 – Syllabus Quiz Due: 9/1
3 9/7 – 9/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chapter 2: Introduction to SQL ✓ USING: Advanced Query Editor from the textbook 	Assignment 1 – Chapter 1 Due: 9/8
4 9/14 – 9/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ USING: Oracle SQL environment ✓ USING: Oracle Application Express ✓ Downloading and installing Personal Oracle and using SQL*Plus 	
5 9/21 – 9/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chapter 3: The Relational Data Model - Normalization 	Assignment 2 – Chapter 2 Due: 9/22
6 9/28 – 10/4		
7 10/5 - 10/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chapter 4: Principles of Conceptual Database Design - ERD 	Assignment 3 – Chapter 3 Due: 10/6
8 10/12-10/18		Midterm Exam – Taken between 10/8 – 10/13 – Covers Chapters 1 and 3
9 10/19-10/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chapter 5: From Conceptual Design to Relational Implementation – Types of relationships 	Assignment 4 - Chapter 4 Due: 10/20
10 10/26 – 11/1		
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chapter 6: Advanced Data Manipulation 	Assignment 5 - Chapter 5

11/2 – 11/8	With SQL	Due: 11/3
12 11/9 – 11/15		
13 11/16 – 11/22	✓ Chapter 7: Data and Database Administration	Assignment 6 - Chapter 6 Due: 11/17
14 11/23-11/29	✓ Thanksgiving break – 11/26 – 11/29 ✓ Chapter 8: Database Applications in a Global World	
15 11/30 – 12/6	✓ REVIEW	Assignment 7 - Chapters 7&8 Due: 12/1
16 12/7 – 12/13	✓ Final Exam - comprehensive	Final Exam - Comprehensive exam covering all chapters concentrating on material covered after Midterm Exam. Taken one-time 12/7 – 12/13