MANAGEMENT OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS (MIS)

300 Level Courses

MIS 302: Introduction to Programming for Business Applications. 3 credits.
Covers design and implementation of program data structures and algorithms to solve business problems using structured programming techniques. Students become familiar with program development life cycle using standard programming language such as Visual BASIC.NET supported by a modern Integrated Development Environment (IDE). Students complete assignments involving development of real-life business application. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.
Non-Degree level students may not enroll.
Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 303: Introduction to Business Information Systems. 3 credits.
Introduces fundamentals of hardware, software, and networking. Emphasizes role of technology in improving contemporary business processes and competitive advantage. Includes basic relational concepts, hands-on experience in building business database applications and decision support using spreadsheet software. Notes: Students cannot receive credit for both MIS 301 and MIS 303. School of Business students will not be permitted to make more than three attempts to achieve a C or higher in MIS 303. Those who do not successfully complete this course within three attempts will be terminated from their major and will not be eligible to receive a degree from the School of Business. For more information about this, see the "Termination from the Major" section under Academic Policies. Offered by School of Business. Limited to two attempts.

Mason Core: Information Technology: With Ethics

Registration Restrictions:
Non-Degree level students may not enroll.
Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.
Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 305: Management Information Systems. 3 credits.
Covers design and implementation of program data structures and algorithms to solve business problems using structured programming techniques. Students become familiar with program development life cycle using standard programming language such as Visual BASIC.NET supported by a modern Integrated Development Environment (IDE). Students complete assignments involving development of real-life business application. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Specialized Designation: Writing Intensive in the Major

Registration Restrictions:
(MIS 301 C or L301) or MIS 303 C or L303.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 330: Systems Analysis and Design. 3 credits.
Introduces students to fundamentals of networking technologies and their role in businesses. Emphasis is on understanding the business implications of different networking technologies and solutions. Students learn to identify and understand the business requirements, and bring together the different technological components to design the required communication solutions. Also focuses on the types of security threats to the business network infrastructure, and approach to tackling such threats through business practices combined with appropriate technological solutions. Notes: The course also includes lab work and exercises. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C or L301) or MIS 303 C or L303.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 320: Networks and Security. 3 credits.
Introduces students to fundamentals of networking technologies and their role in businesses. Emphasis is on understanding the business implications of different networking technologies and solutions. Students learn to identify and understand the business requirements, and bring together the different technological components to design the required communication solutions. Also focuses on the types of security threats to the business network infrastructure, and approach to tackling such threats through business practices combined with appropriate technological solutions. Notes: The course also includes lab work and exercises. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C or L301) or MIS 303 C or L303.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 340: Introduction to Business Information Systems. 3 credits.
Introduces fundamentals of hardware, software, and networking. Emphasizes role of technology in improving contemporary business processes and competitive advantage. Includes basic relational concepts, hands-on experience in building business database applications and decision support using spreadsheet software. Notes: Students cannot receive credit for both MIS 301 and MIS 303. School of Business students will not be permitted to make more than three attempts to achieve a C or higher in MIS 303. Those who do not successfully complete this course within three attempts will be terminated from their major and will not be eligible to receive a degree from the School of Business. For more information about this, see the "Termination from the Major" section under Academic Policies. Offered by School of Business. Limited to two attempts.

Mason Core: Information Technology: With Ethics

Registration Restrictions:
Non-Degree level students may not enroll.
Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.
Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 310: Database Management Systems. 3 credits.
Introduces principles of designing and manipulating relational databases with a focus on business applications. Theoretical database concepts and hands-on experience with a relational package. Term project requiring implementation of a substantial business database application. Notes: School of Business students may not receive credit for both MIS 310 and IT 214. Requires hands-on implementation using software package. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C or L301) or MIS 303 C or L303.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 310: Database Management Systems. 3 credits.
Introduces principles of designing and manipulating relational databases with a focus on business applications. Theoretical database concepts and hands-on experience with a relational package. Term project requiring implementation of a substantial business database application. Notes: School of Business students may not receive credit for both MIS 310 and IT 214. Requires hands-on implementation using software package. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C or L301) or MIS 303 C or L303.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 310: Database Management Systems. 3 credits.
Introduces principles of designing and manipulating relational databases with a focus on business applications. Theoretical database concepts and hands-on experience with a relational package. Term project requiring implementation of a substantial business database application. Notes: School of Business students may not receive credit for both MIS 310 and IT 214. Requires hands-on implementation using software package. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C or L301) or MIS 303 C or L303.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.
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### 400 Level Courses

**MIS 410: Advanced Database Systems.** 3 credits.
Covers advanced database development and administration topics including triggers, stored procedures, indexes, performance tuning, and security. Students will use a state-of-the-art industrial strength database management system as a tool to familiarize themselves with database concepts. Students will conduct exercises on business reporting using databases and front-end applications. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**
**Required Prerequisite:** MIS 310.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.

Non-Degree level students may not enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**MIS 412: E-Business Systems Development.** 3 credits.
Introduces students to the development of web-based information systems for E-business. Students learn to develop web-based database applications for eCommerce using ASP.NET. Also covers Web 2.0 technologies and contemporary business trends and issues related to web application development. Emphasizes technologies, methods, and application development tools. Notes: Requires team project and computer lab. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**
**Required Prerequisites:** (MIS 301 or L301) or MIS 303 or L303.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.

Non-Degree level students may not enroll.

Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**MIS 415: Information Systems Audit and Control.** 3 credits.
Covers IT governance, controls, auditing applications, systems development, and operations. It examines trends and defines recent advances in technology that impact IT controls and audits - including cloud computing, web-based applications, and server visualizations. It covers IT strategy, business value of IT, as well as controls for IT projects, outsourcing, contracts, cloud computing, etc. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**
**Required Prerequisites:** MIS 301, L301, 303 or L303.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**MIS 420: Information Security and Assurance.** 3 credits.
Covers technical concepts, and managerial and policy topics in information and cyber security. Lectures, reading, in-class presentations, hands-on exercises, and examinations ensure that students have sufficient technical awareness and managerial competence related to information security and assurance. Examines the nature of threats and vulnerabilities, cryptography, software vulnerabilities, managing risk, and security controls. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**
**Required Prerequisite:** MIS 320.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**MIS 430: Data Warehousing.** 3 credits.
Deals with the challenges faced by businesses in managing large amounts of data and making meaningful use of this data for informed decision making. Introduces students to data warehousing fundamentals, practices, and technologies; and their application to solving business problems. Specific emphasis is on designing of data warehouse to meet the business requirements and hands-on learning of the design principles through implementation on commercially used data warehouse technologies. Also introduces students to OLAP solutions and data mining approaches to supporting business decision making. Notes: Term project required. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**
**Required Prerequisites:** MIS 310 or L310.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.

Non-Degree level students may not enroll.

Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

**MIS 431: Data Mining for Business Applications.** 3 credits.
Deals with the challenges faced by businesses in managing large amounts of data and making meaningful use of this data for informed decision making. Introduces students to data warehousing fundamentals, practices, and technologies; and their application to solving business problems. Specific emphasis is on designing of data warehouse to meet the business requirements and hands-on learning of the design principles through implementation on commercially used data warehouse technologies. Also introduces students to OLAP solutions and data mining approaches to supporting business decision making. Notes: Term project required. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**
**Required Prerequisites:** (MIS 301 or L301, 303 or L303) and (BUS 310, OM 210 or 211).
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Non-Degree level students may not enroll.
MIS 432: Advanced Data Mining. 3 credits.
This course covers business analytics using advanced data mining methods for developing predictive models. It includes feature selection to identify dimensions for constructing decision making models. More advanced techniques such as decision trees, neural networks, and other classification and prediction methods will be covered. Emphasis on applications will include hands-on experience using commercial data mining software and real business data. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisite: MIS 431 C.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Schedule Type: Lecture
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

Topic and format vary. In-depth study of a topic in the area of information technology management. Enrollment limited and competitive. Offered by School of Business. May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisite: Degree status in ISOM (or DMIS) major; permission of department.

Schedule Type: Seminar
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 491: Seminar in Management Information Systems. 3 credits.
Analyzes selected topics that highlight latest developments in information resource management field, including contemporary research findings and case studies of information systems in business and other organizations. Offered by School of Business. May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C) or MIS L303 C.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.
Non-Degree level students may not enroll.
Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

Schedule Type: Seminar
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

MIS 492: Internship in Management Information Systems. 3 credits.
Opportunity to gain practical, professional experience in conjunction with academic development. Internship is an important part of academic and career preparation. May be used as elective credit, but may not be repeated. Notes: No more than 6 credits of School of Business internship coursework (BUS 492 or MIS 492) can be applied towards a student's 120 (BU) degree applicable credits. Students must receive departmental approval in order to register for this course; please contact the School of Business Office of Career Services for internal eligibility requirements. Offered by School of Business. May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits. Equivalent to ACCT 492, BUS 492, FNAN 492, MGMT 492, MKTG 492, OM 492.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: MIS 301 B- or 303 B-.
B- Requires minimum grade of B-.

Schedule Type: Internship
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.

Additional Course Details: Taught in English

MIS 499: Independent Study in Management Information Systems. 1-3 credits.
Research and analysis of selected problems or topics in information resource management. Offered by School of Business. May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

Registration Restrictions:
Required Prerequisites: (MIS 301 C) or MIS L303 C.
C Requires minimum grade of C.

Students with a class of Freshman may not enroll.
Non-Degree or Washington Consortium level students may not enroll.
Students with the terminated from BU major attribute may not enroll.

Schedule Type: Independent Study
Grading:
This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale.