MIS 6204 Section 595 - Information Technology for Management

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Other Information Please include your course number and section number in all email correspondence.

General Course Information
Pre-requisites, Co-requisites, & other restrictions None

Course Description Information Technology for Management (2 semester credit hours)
Necessary background to understand the role of information technology and Management Information Systems in today's business environment. Topics include: strategic role of information, organization of information, information decision making requirements, telecommunications and networking, managing information resources, cloud computing distributed processing, and current information systems/technology issues.

May not be used to fulfill degree requirements in MS Information Technology and Management.
Students will demonstrate their understanding of the role of technology on businesses through analyses and discussion of cases and a final examination.

As a result of our work together, students should:
1. gain a better understanding of the role that information technology (IT) plays in the firm
2. better understand how the capabilities provided by information technologies (IT) can enable a firm meet its objectives, including enabling a firm to gain competitive advantage.
3. obtain an understanding of some of the theoretical models that are used the design and operate information systems so that you can become better informed consumers of IT resources.
4. understand some emerging issues in IT
5. be able to use tools and theories developed in other courses, to better manage a firm's information technology resources.
**Text Book**

- Individual chapters (or the book) can be electronically purchased and downloaded as PDF documents from the following website:
  

- The book chapters assigned as required reading for this course are:
  - Appendix: Basic Concepts
  - Chapter 1 -- Enhancing competitiveness through IT
  - Chapter 2 -- Competing in digital markets
  - Chapter 3 -- Business Platforms
  - Chapter 5 -- IT investment value pathways
  - Chapter 6 -- Building business cases for IT investment proposals
  - Chapter 7 -- The digitized enterprise
  - Chapter 9 -- Implementation and change management

**Required Texts & Materials**

**Cases Studies and Related Readings**
The Harvard Business Publishing cases that we will use in this course can be purchased and downloaded from Harvard Business School Publishing using the following course-specific URL:

[http://cb.hbsp.harvard.edu/cbmp/access/51376851](http://cb.hbsp.harvard.edu/cbmp/access/51376851)

If you have not registered at this site, you will need to register first, before accessing the Coursepack.

**Suggested Texts, Readings, & Materials**
Articles and other case studies used in this course will be made available in eLearning. Additional enrichment materials will be made available in eLearning.

**Assignments & Academic Calendar**

*Topics, Reading Assignments, Due Dates, Exam Dates*

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| **Session 1** | • Course Introduction  
• Using IT for competitive advantage | • Chapter 1 - Enhancing competitiveness through IT, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• Appendix: Basic Concepts, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• H. W. Chesbrough, “Bringing open innovation to services,” *MIT Sloan Management Review*, Jan 2011 | Group formation and sign up |
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| **Session 2** Tuesday October 25 | Nexus of Forces (SMAC)  
Cloud Computing  
Ubiquitous Computing  
Case Study – Implementing IT |  
• Gartner Jan 2013 Nexus of Forces Changes Everything  
• McAfee, “What every CEO needs to know about the cloud,” *Harvard Business Review*, November 2011  
• P. Louridas, “Up in the Air: Moving Applications to the Cloud,” *IEEE Software*, July/August 2010  
• Case (for discussion): “Realizing Strategic Value Through Center-Edge Digital Transformation in Consumer-Centric Industries” (in eLearning)  
• Case (for written submission): Surviving SAP Implementation in a Hospital | Group write-up |
| **Session 3** Tuesday November 1 | Business Platforms  
Competing in digital markets  
Implementation and change management  
Case Study – IT Success and Failure |  
• Chapter 3 - Business Platforms, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• Chapter 9 - Implementation and change management, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• Case (for discussion): MK Taxi (HBS Case)  
• Case (for written group submission): Hafford Furniture (in eLearning) | Group write-up of the Hafford case study |
| **Session 4** Tuesday November 8 | Competing in digital markets  
Digitized Enterprise  
Platform strategy  
Case Study-Transforming a traditional business model |  
• Chapter 2 - Competing in digital markets, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• Chapter 7 - The digitized enterprise, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• “Driving Digital Transformation_ New Skills for Leaders, New Role for the CIO”  
• Case: Bush Boake Allen (HBS Case)  
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| Session 5      | • IT investments  
• Building a business case  
• Case Study– Tale of Two Banks | • Chapter 5 - IT investment value pathways, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.  
• Chapter 6 - Building business cases for IT investment proposals, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book  
• Case: Does IT Payoff? Strategies of Two Banking Giants (HBS Case) | Group write-up of the Two Banks case study |
| Tuesday November 15 | | | |
| Tuesday November 22 | FALL BREAK | • No class – Fall Break and Thanksgiving Holidays | |
| Session 6      | • Business Intelligence  
• Case: Managing with Analytics at Procter & Gamble | Group write-up of the Procter & Gamble case |
| Tuesday November 29 | | | |
| Session 7      | • Information Security  
• Case: iPremier Case (HBS) | Group write-up of the iPremiere case |
| Tuesday Dec 6 | | | |
| Final Exam | Final Exam | The final exam will be held during the Final Exam Period. The exam will cover the entire course and may consist of multiple choice questions, short answer questions, as well as essay type questions. | |
### Course Policies

This course will involve a mix of activities and written and verbal assignments that may be in class or on campus. Homework will include readings from the text, assignments, and activities that usually require the student to complete some type of task. The instructor will provide detailed instructions as well as the grading criteria for each assignment. Please consult the course schedule for deadlines.

The grade components for the course are listed in the table below.

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<td>Individual Exam</td>
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<td>1 x 30 = 30</td>
<td>As scheduled</td>
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<td>Group Activities</td>
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<td>6 x 10 = 60</td>
<td>When written submission required, submit before class as shown on Schedule.</td>
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### Make-up Exams

Make-up exams will not be allowed without prior permission.

### Assignments

All assignments, unless specifically marked as a Group Assignment, and all exams are to be individual efforts. You are not to collaborate with other students, or to discuss homework or programming assignments with other students prior to submission. Copying of homework, programming assignments, or exams, in whole or in part, from other students or from assignments from previous semesters will be considered to be an act of academic dishonesty.

All assignments will be submitted through eLearning. Submission of assignments by e-mail is not acceptable unless prior permission of instructor is obtained.

### Late Work

Students are required to submit all assignments on time. All assignments are due at the beginning of class (not during and not after), on the specified date.

I do not accept late assignments unless prior arrangements have been made with the
instructor. If you find that an assignment may be late, please inform the instructor in advance of when it is due, and negotiate any accommodations with the instructor.

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<td><strong>Class Attendance</strong></td>
<td>Attendance is extremely important. Students are expected to attend all classes in order to achieve maximum success. Please inform the instructor and your team mates in advance of your absence. You are responsible for collaboration with the instructor on any alternate assignments, as well as your team for team assignments. Attendance will be taken and used in consideration for the Participation grade; however, this grade will also reflect the instructor’s judgment of the value of contributions to class discussion. There is no makeup for missed in-class assignments.</td>
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<td><strong>Meaningful Class Participation:</strong></td>
<td>Active, consistent participation in class is an essential part of the learning experience. We will be using cases and readings and you must prepare them, either individually, or preferably, with a study group. Meaningful participation in the class discussion is valued and needed. Meaningful participation means making a contribution to our discussion, not merely talking, and it does not mean repeating facts in the readings or simply agreeing with what others have said. Nor does it mean making a point here or there. Our interest is not in &quot;right&quot; or &quot;wrong,&quot; it is whether you have made a contribution to the development of the issues under study; whether you have moved the class forward. One clear way of making a contribution is to critically evaluate the comments of your classmates where needed; it is not the instructor's duty alone to decide whether a remark is of value. Failure to participate and contribute, penalizes you and the class in many ways: (1) you lose incentive to prepare the readings and case properly; (2) you lose the chance to further develop your oral communication skills; (3) you deprive all of us of your insights into the reading material and case; (4) your ideas do not get scrutinized and evaluated by others.</td>
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<td><strong>Respect and Dignity:</strong></td>
<td>At UT Dallas we appreciate and foster the many advantages that come from working in a diverse community where everyone is treated equitably, with dignity and respect. The University of Texas at Dallas is committed to providing an educational, living and working environment that is welcoming, respectful and inclusive of all members of the university community. An environment that is free of discrimination and harassment allows members of the university community to excel in their academic and professional careers. To that end, to the extent provided by applicable federal and state law, the University prohibits unlawful discrimination against a person because of their race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status. The University’s commitment to equal opportunity extends its nondiscrimination protections to include sexual orientation, gender expression and gender identity. Students are expected to recognize and respect a diversity of backgrounds and opinions among their fellow students. They should demonstrate respect for all students as an individual, recognizing that students may bring differing backgrounds, opinions and insights into the classroom.</td>
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<td><strong>eLearning</strong></td>
<td>eLearning will be used for class content (e.g., class slides and assignment descriptions) and the recording of grades. Slides will be posted in eLearning before class is held. Class announcements (e.g., change in assignment dates) will be sent to</td>
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<td><strong>Instructor Response Policy</strong></td>
<td>The instructor will respond to all student inquiries (emails, voice messages, etc.) within 48 hours (excluding holidays and weekends).</td>
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<td><strong>Academic Integrity</strong></td>
<td>The University is committed to academic excellence and expects academic honesty from all members of the University community and believes that it is essential for academic excellence and integrity. Academic honesty includes adherence to guidelines established by the instructor in a particular course for both individual and group work. It prohibits representing the work of others to be one’s own (plagiarism); receiving unauthorized aid on an assignment (cheating); and using similar papers or other work products to fulfill the obligations of different classes without the instructor’s permission. Penalties for academic dishonesty may include a grade of “F” on the work in question or for the course. In addition, any student engaged in academic dishonesty will be subject to disciplinary action. Please refer to the <strong>UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures</strong> website (see below) for detailed information pertaining to academic dishonesty, including procedures for determining disciplinary action.</td>
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<td><strong>Course Evaluation</strong></td>
<td>As required by UTD academic regulations, every student must complete an evaluation for each enrolled course at the end of the semester. An online instructional assessment form will be made available for your confidential use. A link to an online instructional assessment form will be emailed to you for your confidential use.</td>
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| **Comet Creed** | This creed was voted on by the UT Dallas student body in 2014. It is a standard that Comets choose to live by and encourage others to do the same:  

“As a Comet, I pledge honesty, integrity, and service in all that I do.” |
| **UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures** | The information contained in the following link constitutes the University’s policies and procedures segment of the course syllabus. Please go to [http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies](http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies) for these policies.  

Campus Carry - The University’s concealed handgun policy is posted on the campus carry website: [https://www.utdallas.edu/campuscarry/](https://www.utdallas.edu/campuscarry/) |

*The descriptions and timelines contained in this syllabus are subject to change at the discretion of the Professor.*