



**Course** MIS 6204 Section PS1 -  
**Information Technology for Management**  
**Professor** Bill Hefley, PhD  
**Term** Fall 2016 (August 22 - December 7, 2016)  
**Meetings** See class schedule below

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### **General Course Information**

**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.

Students will demonstrate their understanding of the role of technology on businesses through analyses and discussion of cases and a final project.

This course will be delivered in a Blended Format – please refer to the schedule below.

Modules 1 through 3 must be completed prior to November 10.

### **Learning Outcomes**

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

Selected chapters from the book “Guiding the Digital Transformation of Organizations” by Vallabh Sambamurthy and Robert W. Zmud.

- Individual chapters (or the book) can be electronically purchased and downloaded as PDF documents from the following website:  
<http://www.ldpress.com/publications/guiding-the-digital-transformation-of-organizations/>
- 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 are provided by the program. Instructions will be posted in eLearning.

## 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]

Session & Date	Topics	Required Reading (before class session)	Deliverable
<b>Session 1</b> eLearning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Course Introduction</li><li>• Using IT for competitive advantage</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Chapter 1 - Enhancing competitiveness through IT</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li><li>• <u>Appendix: Basic Concepts</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li><li>• A. McAfee and E. Brynjolfsson, “Investing in IT that makes a competitive difference,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, August 2008.</li><li>• H. W. Chesbrough, “Bringing open innovation to services,” <i>MIT Sloan Management Review</i>, Jan 2011</li></ul>	Groups will be assigned in eLearning
<b>Session 2</b> eLearning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nexus of Forces (SMAC)</li><li>• Cloud Computing</li><li>• Ubiquitous Computing</li><li>• <b>Case Study – Implementing IT</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Saul J. Berman, (2012), "Digital transformation: opportunities to create new business models", <i>Strategy &amp; Leadership</i>, Vol. 40 Iss 2 pp. 16 - 24</li><li>• Gartner Jan 2013 Nexus of Forces Changes Everything</li><li>• McAfee, “What every CEO needs to know about the cloud,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, November 2011</li><li>• P. Louridas, “Up in the Air: Moving Applications to the Cloud,” <i>IEEE Software</i>, July/August 2010</li></ul>	Case write-up

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Case (for discussion): “Realizing Strategic Value Through Center-Edge Digital Transformation in Consumer-Centric Industries” (in eLearning)</b></li> <li>• <b>Case (for written submission): Surviving SAP Implementation in a Hospital (HBS)</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Session 3</b> eLearning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Platforms</li> <li>• Competing in digital markets</li> <li>• Implementation and change management</li> <li>• <b>Case Study – IT Success and Failure</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chapter 3 - Business Platforms</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li> <li>• E. Brynjolfsson and A. McAfee, “Winning the race with ever-smarter machines,” <i>MIT Sloan Management Review</i>, Winter 2012.</li> <li>• <u>Chapter 9 - Implementation and change management</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li> <li>• T. Davenport, “Putting the enterprise into the enterprise system,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, August 1998.</li> <li>• <b>Case (for discussion): MK Taxi (HBS Case)</b></li> <li>• <b>Case (for written group submission): Hafford Furniture (in eLearning)</b></li> </ul>	Case write-up of the Hafford case study
<b>Session 4</b> Thursday November 10 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competing in digital markets</li> <li>• Digitized Enterprise</li> <li>• Platform strategy</li> <li>• <b>Case Study- Transforming a traditional business model</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chapter 2 - Competing in digital markets</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li> <li>• T. Eisenmann, G. Parker, M. W. V. Alstyne “Strategies for two-sided markets,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, October 2006</li> <li>• P. Weill and S. L. Woerner, “Optimizing your digital business model,” <i>MIT Sloan Management Review</i>, Spring 2013.</li> <li>• <u>Chapter 7 - The digitized enterprise</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li> <li>• “Digital transformation: A roadmap for billion-dollar organizations,” MIT Sloan Management and Capgemini Consulting report.</li> <li>• “Driving Digital Transformation_ New Skills for Leaders, New Role for the CIO”</li> <li>• <b>Case (for discussion): Bush Boake Allen (HBS Case)</b></li> <li>• <b>Case (for written group submission): Fähling, J., Köbler, F., Leimeister, J. et al. From products to product-service systems: IT-driven transformation of a medical equipment manufacturer. Journal of Information Technology Teaching Cases (2014) 4: 20 (eLearning)</b></li> </ul>	Group write-up
<b>Session 5</b> Thursday November 10 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IT investments</li> <li>• Building a business case</li> <li>• <b>Case Study– Tale of Two Banks</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chapter 5 - IT investment value pathways</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book.</li> <li>• <u>Chapter 6 - Building business cases for IT investment proposals</u>, from the Sambamurthy and Zmud book</li> <li>• <b>Case (for written group submission): Does IT Payoff? Strategies of Two Banking Giants (HBS)</b></li> </ul>	Group write-up of the Two Banks case study

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<b>Session 6</b>  Friday November 11 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Intelligence</li> <li>• <b>Case Study–Procter &amp; Gamble</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• T. Davenport, “Competing on analytics,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, January 2006</li> <li>• G. Loveman, “Diamonds in the datamine,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, May 2003</li> <li>• McAfee and E. Brynjolfsson, “Big Data: The Management Revolution,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, October 2012</li> <li>• <b>‘State of Analytics and Decision Science’ report</b>  <a href="http://analytics-magazine.org/mu-sigma-releases-state-analytics-decision-science-report/">http://analytics-magazine.org/mu-sigma-releases-state-analytics-decision-science-report/</a></li> <li>• <b>Case (for written group submission): Managing with Analytics at Procter &amp; Gamble (HBS)</b></li> </ul>	Group write-up of the Procter & Gamble case
<b>Session 7</b>  Friday November 11 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information Security</li> <li>• <b>Case Study–Information Security</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• R.D. Austin and C. A. R. Darby, “The myth of secure computing,” <i>Harvard Business Review</i>, June 2003.</li> <li>• H. Cavusoglu, B. Mishra, and S. Raghunathan, “The Effect of Internet Security Breach Announcements on Market Value: Capital Market Reactions for Breached Firms and Internet Security Developers,” <i>International Journal of Electronic Commerce</i>, Fall 2004</li> <li>• V. Mookerjee, T. Bandyopadhyay and R. Rao, “Why Do Firms find Cyber Insurance Unattractive?” <i>Communications of the ACM</i>, November 2009</li> <li>• A. Cummings &amp; R. Trzeciak. (2010). <i>Combating the Insider Threat</i>. National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center. <a href="https://www.us-cert.gov/sites/default/files/publications/Combating%20the%20Insider%20Threat.pdf">https://www.us-cert.gov/sites/default/files/publications/Combating%20the%20Insider%20Threat.pdf</a></li> <li>• <b>Case (for written group submission): iPremier Case (HBS)</b></li> </ul>	Group write-up of the iPremier case
<b>Project</b>	<b>Final Project</b>	The final project will be due November 27. It will be introduced by Session 5.	

## Course Policies

Grading Criteria	<p>This course will involve a mix of activities and written and verbal assignments; some 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.</p> <p>The grade components for the course are listed in the table below.</p>																								
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Assignments	<p>All assignments, unless specifically marked as a Group Assignment, are to be individual efforts. You are not to collaborate with other students, or to discuss individual assignments with other students prior to submission. Copying of homework, project assignments, in whole or in part, from other students or from assignments from previous semesters will be considered to be an act of academic dishonesty.</p> <p>All assignments will be submitted through eLearning. Submission of assignments by e-mail is not acceptable unless prior permission of instructor is obtained.</p>																								
Late Work	<p>All assignments are due at the time specified in eLearning. Students are required to submit all assignments on time; 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.</p>																								

<b>Extra Credit / Special Assignments</b>	None
<b>Class Attendance</b>	<p>Attendance is extremely important. Students are expected to attend all class sessions 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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>Classroom Citizenship</b>	<p><b>Meaningful Class Participation:</b> 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.</p> <p>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 "right" or "wrong," 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.</p> <p><b>Respect and Dignity:</b> 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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>eLearning</b>	<p>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 the student email on record in eLearning. It is the students' responsibility to regularly check their UT Dallas email accounts.</p>

<b>Instructor Response Policy</b>	The instructor will respond to all student inquiries (emails, voice messages, etc.) within 48 hours (excluding holidays and weekends).
<b>Academic Integrity</b>	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 <b>UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures</b> website (see below) for detailed information pertaining to academic dishonesty, including procedures for determining disciplinary action.
<b>Course Evaluation</b>	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.
<b>Comet Creed</b>	<i>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:</i>  <b><i>"As a Comet, I pledge honesty, integrity, and service in all that I do."</i></b>
<b>UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures</b>	The information contained in the following link constitutes the University's policies and procedures segment of the course syllabus. Please go to <a href="http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies">http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies</a> for these policies.  Campus Carry - The University's concealed handgun policy is posted on the campus carry website: <a href="https://www.utdallas.edu/campuscarry/">https://www.utdallas.edu/campuscarry/</a>

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