

COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE: BUS 140 – Business Information Technology
CLASS SECTION: 002
TERM: 2024W
COURSE CREDITS: 3
DELIVERY METHOD(S): In person classes

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

This course provides an introduction to information systems, hardware, software, networks and communication technologies as they are applied in a business context. Word processing, spreadsheet, presentation, and file management software will be introduced.

PREREQUISITE(S): One of: C in English 11 C in Composition 11 C in Creative Writing 11 C in Literary Studies 11 C in New Media 11 C in Spoken Language 11 C in ENGL 070 C in ELD 092 and ELD 094 C in ELD 097 B in ENGL 050 (Prior to September 2020) B in ELD 072 and ELD 074 B in ELD 072 and ELD 080 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

CO-REQUISITE(S): None

EXCLUSION(S): None

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course a student will be able to:

- a. Identify the components of computer hardware.
- b. Explain how data is represented and processed in a computer system.
- c. Describe the features of contemporary corporate network infrastructure and key networking and communication technologies.
- d. Describe the infrastructure of the Internet and related protocols.
- e. Describe how social networking and other Internet applications apply to business.
- f. Identify computing risks, threats, and protection strategies.
- g. Use introductory concepts of coding.
- h. Use software up to an intermediate level for a variety of business applications including document production, spreadsheets, databases, and presentations and file management for local networked devices.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

- a. **REQUIRED:** A recent PC (not Mac- but see below for more info) that includes audio and reliable internet, and the MS Office Suite installed, *including MS Access* (a database application not available on Macs).

Office 2021/O365 is available to Camosun students for free. Information on that offer is here: <https://legacy.camosun.ca/services/its/other-services.html> Contact ITS for assistance.

All required software is also installed on Camosun computers. You can also use Remote Desktop through VPN to log on to the Camosun workstations from home (using your browser, for example if you only have a Mac). Information for that is here: <https://legacy.camosun.ca/services/its/computer-labs/index.html>

Storage Device (i.e., USB/Flash Drive) is recommended as a back up in addition to online storage.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

There is no required textbook for this course. Additional resources will be available throughout the course on D2L.

COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor. Students are responsible for regularly checking the D2L site news for updates.

Week	Class Date		Topics	Important Dates
1	10-Jan-24	12-Jan-24	Welcome! Course Overview, Academic Integrity, File Management, Ergonomics, D2L and Zoom	
2	17-Jan-24	19-Jan-24	PowerPoint Unit	
3	24-Jan-24	26-Jan-24	Word: Introduction and Basics	
4	31-Jan-24	02-Feb-24	Word: Tables, Research and Collaboration	
5	07-Feb-24	09-Feb-24	CAPSTONE ASSIGNMENT #1	IT Unit Content Posted to D2L - February 1, 2024
6	14-Feb-24	16-Feb-24	Excel: Introduction and Basics, Formulas, Functions	
7	21-Feb-24	23-Feb-24	FAMILY DAY - READING BREAK	Family Day/Reading Break (Feb 19 - 23)
8	28-Feb-24	01-Mar-24	Excel: Financial Functions/Amortization Table	
9	06-Mar-24	08-Mar-24	Excel: Charts, Datasets and Tables/Multiple Worksheets	
10	13-Mar-24	15-Mar-24	CAPSTONE ASSIGNMENT #2	
11	20-Mar-24	22-Mar-24	Access: Introduction, Basics, Fields, Tables	
12	27-Mar-24	29-Mar-24	Access: Queries	Mar 29 - Good Friday
13	03-Apr-24	05-Apr-24	Access: Forms and Reports	Apr 1 - Easter Monday IT Unit Content - Due March 31, 2024
14	10-Apr-24	12-Apr-24	CAPSTONE ASSIGNMENT #3	
THERE IS NO FINAL EXAM DURING THE EXAM PERIOD				

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html). <http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html>

EVALUATION OF LEARNING

DESCRIPTION		WEIGHTING
Instructor Exercises/Assignments/Quizzes:	TOTAL	40%
D2L - Quizzes	10.0%	
D2L - Discussions	4.0%	
Skill Development Exercises	8.7%	
Skill Proficiency Assignments	13.4%	
IT Unit Quizzes	4.0	
ASSESSMENTS	TOTAL	52%
CAPSTONE ASSIGNMENT #1: PowerPoint and Word	10%	
CAPSTONE ASSIGNMENT #2: Excel	25%	
CAPSTONE ASSIGNMENT #3: Access	17%	
THEORY EXAMS		8%
Word	1%	
Excel	2%	
Access	2%	
IT Unit	3%	

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

Assignments

The School of Business uses APA style for formatting assignments and citing references. Proper citations and formatting using APA style will be required. See Camosun College (2018) Library Citation Guides retrieved from:

<https://camosun.libguides.com/apa7>

- Where required by your instructor, submit all assignments into the D2L assignments by your last name.
- In-text citations for quotes, paraphrasing, and references must be consistent with APA standards.
- Grammar, spelling, style and APA formatting, citations and referencing will be assessed in your mark.
- All submitted work must be properly referenced to sources.
- Unless otherwise specified, you are to submit your own work. Any work collaborated on (unless permitted by the course) will be considered in violation of the college's Academic Integrity policy. See Camosun College (2021) [Academic Integrity Policy](#)

Deadlines and exams

You must submit your assignments by the due date or as announced. A grade of zero will be assigned to late submissions. There are no additional assignments or make-up exams of any kind if you performed poorly on an assessment (assignment, midterm or final exam).

EXAM DATES WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED. Non-attendance on scheduled exam dates will result in a zero grade. All exams must be written at the scheduled times with the exception of students requiring an accommodation by CAL. It is understood that emergency circumstances do occur (e.g. severe illness or family emergency); for such circumstances accommodation may be granted at the discretion of the instructor, provided the student notifies the **instructor in advance** of the exam (not after).

In most cases of an excused absence for an exam, an alternate exam will be scheduled for the student at the end of term.

Do not make travel plans until the final exam schedules are finalized and posted. Please ask any family members who might make travel plans on your behalf to consult you before booking tickets. Travel plans are not an acceptable reason to miss an exam.

Students registered through the [Centre for Accessible Learning \(CAL\)](#) should discuss timelines with their instructors at the beginning of each semester.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit <http://camosun.ca/students/>.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	http://camosun.ca/advising
Accessible Learning	http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning
Counselling	http://camosun.ca/counselling
Career Services	http://camosun.ca/coop
Financial Aid and Awards	http://camosun.ca/financialaid
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	http://camosun.ca/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	http://camosun.ca/indigenous
International Student Support	http://camosun.ca/international/
Learning Skills	http://camosun.ca/learningskills
Library	http://camosun.ca/services/library/

Support Service	Website
Office of Student Support	http://camosun.ca/oss
Ombudsperson	http://camosun.ca/ombuds
Registration	http://camosun.ca/registration
Technology Support	http://camosun.ca/its
Writing Centre	http://camosun.ca/writing-centre

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

[COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS](#)

Academic Integrity

Students are expected to comply with all College policy regarding academic integrity; which is about honest and ethical behaviour in your education journey. The following guide is designed to help you understand your responsibilities: <https://camosun.libguides.com/academicintegrity/welcome>
Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.13.pdf> for Camosun's Academic Integrity policy and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

The College is committed to providing appropriate and reasonable academic accommodations to students with disabilities (i.e. physical, depression, learning, etc.). If you have a disability, the [Centre for Accessible Learning](#) (CAL) can help you document your needs, and where disability-related barriers to access in your courses exist, create an accommodation plan. By making a plan through CAL, you can ensure you have the appropriate academic accommodations you need without disclosing your diagnosis or condition to course instructors. Please visit the CAL website for contacts and to learn how to get started: <https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning>

Academic Progress

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2023-02/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <https://camosun.ca/registration-records/tuition-fees#deadlines>.

Grading Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal ([see policy](#)). Please visit <https://camosun.ca/services/forms#medical> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun's Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy: <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.9.pdf> and camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence-support-and-education. To contact the Office of Student Support: oss@camosun.ca or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-370-3841

Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

Looking for other policies?

The full suite of College policies and directives can be found here: <https://camosun.ca/about/camosun-college-policies-and-directives>

Changes to this Syllabus: Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will