Responsibilities

CS 4750
Database Systems
Responsibilities of Instructors

• Prepare useful and interesting knowledge for you
• Post materials on class website before class
• Come to class on time, prepared to teach
• Offer challenging but reasonable assignments and tests
• Grade fairly without bias
• Return graded work promptly with educational comments

• Goals:
  • Have interesting lectures
  • Make the class fun
  • Use technology appropriately
Responsibilities of Students

• Come to class on time
• If you miss a class, learn material on your own
• If you miss a class, find out what have been covered in class
• Listen to all instructions
• Turn in assignments on time
• Ask for help when you are confused
• Read the material
• If you disagree with the course policies, disagree politely

• Goals:
  • Read before class
  • Learn and be proud of your achievements
Taking Notes

The **slides summarize** the material

The **words** we discuss in class provide the **details**

We **learn** a lot by **transferring** information

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Through our ears

To our brains

To our pens/pencils

Onto paper

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Unless you have a perfect memory, I expect you to take notes on what we discuss 😊
Electronic Communication Device

- Mobile phones, laptops ...
- Texting, Email, web surfing ...
- These are all great tools – out of the classroom

- In the classroom, they
  - **Distract** the professor
  - **Annoy** your classmates
  - **Interfere** with your ability to learn

- Laptops can only be used to follow class material and during in-class activities
- Other gadgets should be **silent** and **put away**
Reading and Practicing

• Books have knowledge
• Professors are your guides

• Information: comes from lectures
• Knowledge: comes from books and assignments
• Skill: comes from hands-on activities
• Wisdom: comes from experience

Read, Read, Read ...
Practice, Practice, Practice, Practice ...
Please “Do Not” Plagiarize

**Plagiarism:** Taking someone else’s work or ideas and passing them off as one’s own

**Quiz: Which of these constitute plagiarism?**

1. Copying your classmate’s solution, changing the author’s name
2. Rewriting an answer from your friend’s homework who took the class last semester
3. Watching your classmate write a solution, then going home and writing your solution from memory
4. Finding a solution on the Web, writing it down, and submitting it
5. Paying someone to write a solution/program for you to submit
6. Discussing possible questions before an exam
7. Copying and pasting large sections of your homework from third party sources