

Course: MS-280 Introduction to Management Information Systems (Sec. 101)

Time & Loc: Mon & Wed: 7:30pm – 10:15pm in B-102.
This *summer session* runs for 6 weeks (through Wed. July 2, 2003).

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Text: *Essentials of Management Information Systems: Organization & Technology in the Networked Enterprise*, 4th Edition, by Kenneth C. and Jane P. Laudon, Prentice-Hall, 2001 (ISBN 0-13-019323-2)

Objective: The purpose of this course is to introduce the student to the principles of Management Information Systems (MIS). The focus of the course is to provide students with a working knowledge of some of the most popular features of modern day Information Systems (IS) and Information Technology (IT). Many topics in this course will be the subject of further study in other courses in the MIS curriculum.

Web site: Upon completion of reading each chapter, you'll need to login to the textbook's companion website (www.prenhall.com/laudon) and [after registering as a new student, selecting our textbook (above), and selecting me as the Professor (Blessing, MSOE, MS-280, Intro to MIS),] answer the Multiple Choice, True – False, and Essay Questions for the chapter. When you are finished with each set of questions, email your results (in HTML format) to blessing@msoe.edu for grading. Our goal is to cover the first 12 chapters of the textbook, at a rate of approximately one chapter per class meeting.

*Grading*¹:

Online Coursework	50%
Project work	30%
Class Participation	20%

(Due to the thorough nature of the end of chapter exercises and classroom discussions, there will be no need for formal written Midterm or Final exam for this summer session. Your oral and written work will be continually evaluated.)

Attendance: Because we are a small group, attendance will (in effect) be taken at each class meeting. If you are unable to make it to class, be sure to send me an email message well before class time to inform me of your absence. Likewise, be sure to always check your email messages before each class period, as I will use it to distribute last minute instructions to students.

¹ No incomplete grades will be given without very extenuating circumstances.

Late Policy: Assignments are due at the beginning of the class period that was designated as their due date. A 10% penalty will be assessed for each day an assignment is late.

Drop Policy: Instructors no longer have the option to drop a student from a course if they miss 3 consecutive classes. If you wish to drop this course, you must go the Registrar's office (3rd floor of the Campus Center Bldg.) and file a drop form to be removed from this class². You are considered as enrolled in the class for tuition and financial aid purposes until the drop form is on file in the Registrar's office.

² This must be done prior to the end of the fourth week of classes for summer sessions.