

**San José State University**  
**Computer Science Department**  
**CS 157-A, Introduction to Database Management Systems, Spring 2020**

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Prerequisites	CS 146 Data Structures and Algorithms with grade C or better.

**Course Description**

Current, classical database systems. Entity relationship and enhanced entity models. Relational model, algebra, calculus. Current, emerging SQL standard. Embedded, Dynamic SQL. Applied perspective on transactions and security. Interactive and programmatic interfaces to database systems. Application programming project using commercial database system. Prerequisite: CS 146 (with a grade of C or better); Computer Science, Applied and Computational Math, or Software Engineering majors only; or instructor consent.

**Canvas Course Site**

Course materials such as syllabus, textbook, assignments, questions of the week and exams can be found on [Canvas Learning Management System course website://sjsu.instructure.com](https://sjsu.instructure.com). You are responsible for regularly checking with Canvas to learn of any updates.

## Course Goals

1. To introduce students to the purpose of Database systems and databases, as well as common users of systems.
2. To teach students about the relational model and relation algebra.
3. To teach students about **SQL**, the standard language for interacting with a database.
4. To teach students about design theory (such as normalization, etc.) and algorithms that help determine how given database's tables are organized in a reasonable way.
5. To teach students about **real world** database system usage, architectures and components. Some examples of systems that might be considered are: MySQL, Postgres, and SQLite.
6. To teach students about **SQL**, the standard language for interacting with a database.
7. To teach students how to interact with a database system from a programming language such as Java and Python.

## Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

Write relational algebra queries and predict given a database

## Grading Information

Homework	15%
Quiz	15%
Midterm 1 & 2	30%
Project	10%
Final Exam	20%
Class Participation	10%

## Determination of Grades

Percentage	Grade

No makeup Midterms/ Final Exam and no late assignments will be accepted.

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13	4/20	BCNF
13	4/22	Third Normal Form and Project Discussion
14	4/27	Database Transactions, <b>Quiz 5</b>
14	4/29	Database Server Connectivity
15	5/4	Database Authorization and OLAP
15	5/6	Distributed databases