

Basic Information

Textbook

Database Management Systems **3rd Edition**
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Discussion Forum

Please ask questions and make comments on [Piazza](#).

Grading Policy

- Homework/Project Assignments: 45% of semester grade. See assignment info below.
- Quizzes (a.k.a. Vitamins): 10% of the semester grade. (we will drop your lowest two vitamin scores).
- Two Mid-terms: 20% of the semester grade total.
 - 12% will come from your higher-scored exam, 8% from your lower-scored exam.
- Final Exam: 25% of the semester grade.

Notes on grading (please read):

- The percentages are subject to change as circumstances dictate.
- Active participation in piazza and/or section can positively affect your final grade.
- Since exams are the main indicators we have of individual grasp of the material, we reserve the right to adjust final letter grades based on exam performance. In particular, students who do not achieve a passing average on the exams will not receive a passing grade in the class.
- Work that you submit must be your own (or for two-person projects, the team's). We will run the standard software duplication checkers on submitted assignments.
- We will be following the [EECS departmental policy on Academic Honesty](#), so be sure you are familiar with it. And hey -- don't cheat. Not cool.

Assignments

See the [Homework Assignments](#) page for pointers to the assignments.

Late Policy on Assignments:

Each student gets an automatic extension of 4 calendar days to be used as described herein. You can use the extension on any assignment(s) remaining during the semester (in increments that are rounded up to the nearest integer). For instance, you can hand in one assignment 4 days late, or each of four assignments 1 day late. For group project assignments, the slip time will be deducted from each team member's remaining slip time.

When you hand in a late assignment, you must identify in the README file the following:

1. How late this assignment is.
2. How much of the total slip time you have left.

No assignment will be accepted more than 4 days late. After you have used up your slip time, any assignment handed in late will be marked off 25% per day. There will be no extensions granted.