IT 461 – Systems Analysis
General Course Syllabus

Feasibility studies and analysis of systems, cost analysis and budgets, and tools of systems analysis.

Prerequisites: Senior standing
Credits: 4

Systems analysis is a core competency for the 21st-century IT professional. Organizations need IT professionals who both understand the intricacies of their business and can skillfully analyze the requirements for a technological solution to their complex problems and strategic initiatives. This course focuses on the analysis skills, using the standard approach. The emphasis is on the development of the basic skills necessary for participation in analysis activities and/or the pursuit of a career as a systems or business analyst.

Students will be able to . . .

Examine system analysis in the development process.

Analyze the concepts of problem recognition and problem definition.

Distinguish in detail phases of the software development life cycle, along with the expected activities in and deliverables from each.

Assessments

Rubric-based assignments, projects, and/or exams.

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<td>Identify and scope information systems projects.</td>
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<td>Assess end users’ requirements.</td>
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<td>Evaluate use case diagrams and scenarios.</td>
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<td>Prepare a business requirements document.</td>
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<td>Analyze the job of systems and business analysts.</td>
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<td>Manage a process to solve organizational problems.</td>
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- copying from another student’s test paper;
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- collaboration with any other person during a test without authority;
- knowingly obtaining, using, buying, selling, transporting, or soliciting in whole or in part the contents of an un-administered test or information about an un-administered test; bribing any other person to obtain an un-administered test or information about an un-administered test; substitution for another student or permitting any other person to substitute for oneself to take a test; plagiarism” which shall mean the appropriation of any other person's work and the unacknowledged incorporation of that work in one's own work offered for credit;
- "Collusion" which shall mean the unauthorized collaboration with any other person in preparing work offered for credit.

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