

COURSE SYLLABUS

S602

Section 5236

RESEARCH TOPICS IN MIS

First Semester 1981-82

CLASS

Time: Tuesday 1:30-5:00
Place: Business Building, Room 400

INSTRUCTOR

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REQUIRED MATERIALS

There is no known text material for this course. Reading material for the course will be selected from the course topical bibliography. The precise articles to be covered during the semester will be determined during the first two weeks of the semester.

CONDUCT OF COURSE

The course will be conducted as a seminar. Each student is expected to participate in every class. The grade will be determined on the basis of the quality of the student's participation.

One student will be assigned primary responsibility for each reading assignment. That student will: 1) prepare and present a 10 minute discussion of the article, 2) lead the subsequent class discussion, 3) prepare a short (less than 1/2 page double spaced) abstract of the assignment, and 4) prepare a one to three page summary of the material including its relation to other relevant material and the student's critique of the research methods and techniques employed in the study. (Items 3 and 4 are to be neatly prepared and a copy is to be distributed to each member of the class.) Each student will read all assignments before the class on which it is due. There will be no quizzes or examinations.

OBJECTIVE OF COURSE

Upon completing this course the student will understand the current frontiers of knowledge in most of the topic areas within the MIS field. The student will recognize the relationships between the research objectives and the research techniques employed in examining the topic area. The student will understand the current paradigms which guide the research activities in the various topic areas.