Class Time & Location
005: Monday 4:30-7:10PM Fairfax: Innovation Hall 208
002: Wednesday 4:30-7:10 PM Fairfax: Innovation Hall 208

Textbooks
(Both available in Safari Books)
Data Sciences for Business: What You Need to Know About Data Mining and Data-Analytic Thinking by Foster Provost and Tom Fawcett
NoSQL Distilled: A Brief Guide to the Emerging World of Polyglot Persistence by Pramod J. Sadalage and Martin Fowler

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Prerequisites
Graduate Standing
Note: This course cannot be taken for credit by students of the MS CS, MS ISA, MS SWE, MS IS, CS PhD or IT PhD programs.

Disability Accommodations
If you are a student with a disability and you need academic accommodations, please see me and contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at 993-2474, http://ods.gmu.edu. All academic accommodations must be arranged through the ODS.
**Honor Code Statement**
Please be familiar with the [GMU Honor Code](#). In addition, the CS department has its own [Honor Code policies](#). Any deviation from this is considered an Honor Code violation.

**Grading Policies**
Quiz: 10%
Homework: 30%
Midterm: 30%
Final: 30%

Homework will be submitted on BLACKBOARD.
You have a budget of 3 late days which you can use as you wish for homework.
The lowest quiz score for the semester will be dropped.
Grades will be changed only when a grading error has been made.
No make-up of exams or quizzes unless previously arranged with the instructor.

**Tentative Course Outline**
Introduction to database management
ER & EER model
Relational data model and ER & EER to relational mapping
SQL
NoSQL
Midterm Exam
Introduction to data mining concepts
Classification
Association analysis
Clustering
Final Exam

**Helpful Comments**
This class is very interesting and helpful. However, a lot of material will be covered and many new concepts will be introduced. To get full benefit of the class you have to work regularly. Read the textbooks and slides regularly and start working on the assignments as soon as they are handed out. Plan to spend 10 hrs a week on this class doing assignments and reading.
Good luck, and welcome to CS 504!