Course Syllabus for CS 328
Web-Apps Using Databases
Spring 2014

Basic Course Information:

**Instructor:** Sharon Tuttle

**Lecture times and location:** Monday, Wednesday 1:00 pm - 2:20 pm SH 120

**Lab time and location:** Friday 1:00 pm - 2:50 pm BSS 313

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Tuesday, Thursday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

or by appointment

**Course public web page:** [http://users.humboldt.edu/smtuttle/](http://users.humboldt.edu/smtuttle/) or follow link from course Moodle site

Course Description:


This course covers the fundamentals of programming web applications with a database component, that is, the development of web applications using a relational database as a source and sink of data. Topics include introductions to stored procedures, stored functions, JDBC, Java servlets and JSP, PHP, JavaScript, HTML5, and CSS.

(Note that I am assuming that those taking this course are very comfortable with SQL and C++, and have just an introductory knowledge of PL/SQL and PL/SQL triggers; prior knowledge of Java, PHP, HTML5, CSS, and Javascript is not assumed.)
Course Objectives:
After successfully completing this course, students should be able to:

• understand the differences between the tiers within an n-tiered architecture and the tradeoffs in components of a system being placed within those different tiers;
• design usable and accessible web applications that use a database as their sink and source of data;
• design and implement effective SQL queries to be embedded within web applications to query and manipulate database data effectively;
• illustrate how interactive client-server web applications that interact with a database can be built using several different types of Web technologies;
• demonstrate how to implement a database-driven web site, explaining the relevant technologies involved in each tier of the architecture and the accompanying performance tradeoffs.

CS Program Learning Outcomes that this course addresses:

This course addresses departmental learning outcomes of:

• Computational Thinking
• Self-Directed Learning
• Technical Writing
• Communicating and Collaborating

This course addresses computational thinking at a moderate to advanced level, adding the concept of applications using n-tiered architectures. It addresses self-directed learning at a moderate level by encouraging students to practice searching software documentation to expand their skills beyond the quick introductions to the various languages used in this course. It addresses technical writing and communicating at a moderate level via the topics of design of the presentation tier and design for usability.

HSU Learning Outcomes that this course addresses:

This course explicitly contributes to students’ acquisition of skills and knowledge relevant to HSU Learning Outcomes:

HSU graduates will have demonstrated:

• Critical and creative thinking skills in acquiring a broad base of knowledge and applying it to complex issues.
• Competence in a major area of study.

HSU graduates will be prepared to:

• Succeed in their chosen careers.
• Take responsibility for identifying personal goals and practicing lifelong learning.

Course Prerequisites:

CS 325 - Database Design, or instructor's consent

Required Course Materials:

• Turning Point RF Response Clicker, available at the campus bookstore

* Some of these are adapted from the ACM Computer Science Curriculum 2001, available from link at: http://www.acm.org/education/curricula-recommendations
– BEWARE!! My understanding is that HSU does NOT support Responseware, EVEN THOUGH the TurningTechnologies module in Moodle may MENTION it!

   SO -- I would recommend that you DO NOT PURCHASE Responseware for this course, since students have told me they do NOT give refunds if you are unable to use it!


   – authors' official companion web site: http://www.webstepbook.com/

• Any additional required readings will be made available either via on-line links or via resources available through the HSU Library such as the ACM Digital Library and Safari TechBooks Online.

Course Software:

We will be using an Oracle implementation of SQL for this course. Unless noted otherwise, you are expected to use the on-campus student Oracle database for course assignments, and exam questions involving SQL will be assumed to use Oracle SQL as well. The software you use for any additional practice is, of course, up to you.

Note that you can access the HSU Oracle student database from on- or off-campus using

nrs-projects.humboldt.edu.

Throughout the semester, you will be making some use of the UNIX operating system. Note that you may access nrs-projects.humboldt.edu and nrs-labs.humboldt.edu by using ssh (secure shell) and sftp (secure ftp); one of several implementations of these may be downloaded by HSU students for free from:

http://www.humboldt.edu/its/software

Campus labs run by Academic Computing that contain computers running Windows (such as BSS 317) have PuTTY installed to provide a GUI implementation of ssh and WinSCP installed to provide a GUI implementation of sftp. PuTTY and WinSCP are available from download from the software-download link above. There are also GUI implementations of ssh and sftp for Mac OS X available from that link, but command-line versions (usable from the Mac OS X Terminal command-line) are installed already as part of Mac OS X.

This class's lab sessions are held in a lab, BSS 313, that has different versions of these than campus academic computing labs. A nice introductory tutorial, including screenshots, for the graphical Windows version of ssh and sftp installed in BSS 313 can be found at:

http://oit.colorado.edu/node/1657

There is also software from Oracle, SQL Developer, which has versions for Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux, and can be downloaded for free from:


You will be expected to be able to develop and run SQL scripts using just ssh and sftp (that is, independently from SQL Developer), but this software does provide interesting capabilities you might be interested in exploring.

Oracle PL/SQL is available via your Oracle student database account. We will be using Java mostly in a server-side fashion, so that Java's JDBC can connect to the Oracle student database, but a variety of free Java IDE's are also available to make program entry more convenient -- for example, DrJava (http://www.drjava.org/), NetBeans (http://netbeans.org/), and Eclipse (http://www.eclipse.org/). We will be using HTML5, CSS and/or CSS3, JavaScript, JSP, and PHP as well.

Clickers:

We will be using Turning Technologies student response clickers in class. There is significant literature indicating that using clickers may increase student engagement and success in learning.

Students purchase this clicker (they are available from the campus bookstore); purchased clickers can be returned at the end of the semester for a partial refund of the purchase price or they can be kept for use in future HSU courses. You register your clicker at the beginning of each semester by logging into Moodle and going to the course Moodle
site; you should then be asked to enter your clicker code (consisting of 6 characters/digits) from the back of your clicker when requested. You then bring your clicker to every class meeting.

These clickers will be used for in-class questions, which will be interspersed within class sessions. These will usually be given in a think-pair-share fashion, where you answer a question first individually, and then, if the answers vary sufficiently, you discuss your answer with another student who gave a different answer, trying to persuade them that yours is the correct answer, and then you can change your answer if you wish. The response system will record the overall class response percentages as well as keep track of individual answers.

Typically, you will receive:

- **1.5 points** for a correct answer,
- **0.75 points** for an incorrect answer, and
- **0 points** for no answer,
- but with a **maximum semester clicker-questions grade of 120**.
- (There may be some no-point questions from time-to-time as well -- such questions will be noted if/when they come up.)

Thus you will be rewarded for regular attendance and participation. If you miss a class session, you miss that day's clicker questions and cannot make them up. However, there will be a sufficient number of questions asked to allow for the possibility of extra credit (up to a maximum clicker grade of 120) or to make up for a day that you are out due to illness (although note that you are still responsible for finding out what you missed on such days).

If you forget your clicker for a class meeting, then **up to 5 times** you may still receive some clicker credit, **minus a 1.5-point penalty**, by e-mailing me your clicker answers for that day, **by midnight on that day**, using a Subject: line of: Subject: CS 328 Clicker Answers for <date>. Later e-mails, or e-mails without the proper Subject: line, might not be accepted for credit.

The idea is that the clicker questions will help you to see if you are starting to understand concepts being discussed; sometimes they will also provide review of concepts discussed previously. Clicker questions are typically quite different from exam questions (since clicker questions are typically multiple-choice questions, while exam questions will rarely be multiple-choice). They still enable you to get some immediate feedback regarding whether you are grasping course concepts, whether you need to pay more attention to course discussions and/or readings, etc. They may even help me to know what concepts might need more explanation in-class.

I hope to run tests of the system during the first week's class meetings, and hope to begin asking questions that "count" during the second week's class meetings. Therefore, you must purchase your clicker and register it as soon as possible. If there is an issue with this (for example, if the bookstore runs out of clickers), contact me immediately.

Finally, please note that use of another CS 328 student's clicker, or having someone else use your clicker in a CS 328 class session -- that is, pretending that someone is in class who actually is not -- is considered to be cheating, with the same policies applying as would be the case if you turned in someone else's work as your own or permitted someone else to copy your work. Please ASK ME if you are not sure what I mean by this.

**Grading Breakdown:**

If you are a Computer Science (CS) major, note that you must earn at least a C- in CS 328 for this course to count towards your major.

Your semester grade will be determined by the percentage of points that you earn, **subject to some minimum requirements**. Here are the grade percentages, followed by those minimum requirements:

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Exam 2: 15.0%
Final Exam: 20.0% Wednesday, May 14, 12:40 - 2:30, SH 120

**Grade Requirements:**

- To earn a grade of **C- or better** in this course, the following three requirements must **all** be met:
  1. your overall semester average must **equal or exceed 70%** - this is to show a reasonable level of overall mastery of the course material.
  2. the **average** of your Exam 1, Exam 2, and Final Exam grades must **equal or exceed 60%** - this is to show that you understand at least a minimal reasonable level of the most important course concepts.
  3. the **average** of your Homework assignments must **equal or exceed 60%** - because this is a programming course, but programming acumen is not tested as effectively on exams, this is to show at least a minimal level of web application and database programming competence and experience in addition to course concept mastery. Also, past experience has shown that students who do not put a solid effort into the course homework assignments do not do well on the course exams.

- If **all three** requirements above are **not** met, then your semester grade will be **either D+** or the letter grade computed according to the mapping given below, **whichever is lower**.
  
  - (That is, if a student had an overall semester average of 74% but a Homeworks average of 55%, that student would receive a **D+** for his/her semester grade; if a student had a Homeworks average of 61% and an Exams average of 71%, but an overall semester average of 65%, then that student would receive a **D** for his/her semester grade. You are expected to **ASK ME** if this aspect of the grading policy is not clear to you.)

- Including the four requirements noted above, your semester grade will be computed according to the mapping given below:


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**Final Exam:**
Again, the Final Exam for this course is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 14, 12:40 am - 2:30 pm**, in **SH 120** (unless I announce otherwise). Note this time and date **BEFORE** making your end-of-semester travel plans.

**Students with Disabilities:**
Persons who wish to request disability-related accommodations should contact the **Student Disability Resource Center** in the Learning Commons, Lower Library, **826-4678 (voice)** or **826-5392 (TDD)**. You can reach the Student Disability Resource Center's web site at:

http://www.humboldt.edu/disability/

Please note that some accommodations may take up to several weeks to arrange. If you are eligible for such accommodations, please contact me as soon as possible to discuss them.

**Add/Drop Policy:**
Students are responsible for knowing the University policy, procedures, and schedule for dropping or adding classes. You can find these on the web at:

http://pine.humboldt.edu/registrar/students/regulations/schedadjust.html

You can find the University policies for repeating classes at:

http://pine.humboldt.edu/registrar/students/regulations/repeat.html

The census date for Spring 2014 (before which you can drop without a W, and without it counting toward your 18 semester-units drop limit) is: **Monday, February 17th**.

The last date for Fall 2013 to drop with a W on your transcript, with a serious and compelling reason, and subject to the 18 semester-unit drop limit, is: **Monday, April 7th**.

If you do drop the course, note that it is **your responsibility** to complete and submit the appropriate forms.

**Incompletes:**
Incompletes are rarely given and only in the case of a true emergency. They certainly are not appropriate for students who find they have fallen behind on assignments, missed a test, or taken on too much academic, work, or family responsibilities. For these situations, dropping the course would be appropriate (if that is still possible according to the University policies for dropping courses).

**Course Expectations:**
First: remember the general rule of thumb for college-level courses:

*To be successful in a course, you should plan to spend at least 3 hours outside of class for each 1 hour of college course credit. That implies an estimate of at least 12 hours a week spent outside of class for this 4-credit course.*

However, you should be aware that:

- This is a junior-level CS major course; it has an accordingly-rigorous workload. It involves a large amount of programming at different tiers.
- One cannot start learning the different languages we will be using at different tiers without practice!
- Programming courses can be notorious time eaters. Occasionally, a problem with code will take large amounts of time to locate and fix.
  - Starting **early** enough so that you have time to ask me questions when you run into problems can help with this.
  - Why spend 4 hours struggling with a frustrating roadblock the night before the assignment is due, when you
can spend 10 minutes composing an e-mail early in the week, work on other problems while waiting for the answer, and then get a reply that makes everything clearer as soon as you read it?

• You can only learn how to write programs for the different tiers of an n-tiered database application by practicing doing so, and it takes some much longer than others to master this. Practicing as much as possible helps.
  – (This means playing around with in-class examples, experimenting to see if something you are curious about really works like you think, doing further research on topics of interest, and so on.)

• Later concepts are built upon earlier concepts as the course progresses -- if you ask me as soon as you realize that some concept is not clear to you, that can help keep you from falling behind.

• Homework deadlines will **not** be extended because you waited too late to start or because you did not allocate enough time before the deadline to work on it; likewise, they will typically **not** be extended because of hardware or network failure. (Admittedly, campus failures might affect deadlines. But don't assume so until you have heard from me definitively.) You need to keep backups of your files at all times, and need to plan your schedule to be able to work on on-campus computers as necessary.

• If you have not completed an assignment by the deadline, **your best choice is to submit whatever you have managed to do by then**, as partial credit is your friend, to carefully study the posted example solution as soon as it is available, to ask me about anything there that is still unclear, and to get a good **early** start on the next homework.

**A successful student in this class will:**

• Attend every lecture and lab, clicker at the ready.

• Participate in class (discussing clicker answers with other students, asking questions, paying attention, taking notes, being an attentive partner when pair-programming in lab).

• Complete reading assignments in a timely fashion.

• Practice and "play around" with posted examples.

• Ask specific questions -- in class, in lab, in office-hours, and in e-mail.

• Read through each homework assignment as soon as it is posted.

• Start working on each homework assignment early in the week.

• E-mail the instructor with specific homework-related questions starting early in the week both to clarify what a question is asking for and when hitting roadblocks (being sure to include both the code involved and any error messages or descriptions of bizarre behavior).

• Always submit **SOMETHING** for a homework assignment, even if it is not complete. (I believe in partial credit on homeworks, believing that if you have at least started working on a problem, the posted example solution will be more helpful/understandable than if you have not.)

• Compare his/her homework solutions to posted example solutions when they become available.

• Study with others for exams, and practice explaining concepts to one another.

• Attempt every exam problem, and carefully study over exams when they are returned.

• Practice programming at the different tiers as much as possible.

**Academic Honesty:**

Students are responsible for knowing policy regarding academic honesty. For more information, visit: [http://www.humboldt.edu/studentrights/academic_honesty.php](http://www.humboldt.edu/studentrights/academic_honesty.php) or
Observe that among the actions that are unacceptable are submitting another's program, code, or file as your own and failing to quote material (that includes algorithms, project, code, and comments, too!) taken from another person’s work. (Note that copying another student's comments is also unacceptable.)

All course work is to be the work of each student, **individually, unless** it is **explicitly** stated otherwise at the beginning of that course work's description. Except for explicit exceptions, this is **not** a group or team programming course. When group work is explicitly permitted, the names of all students involved must be included on the work submitted. (For example, when you use **pair programming** in lab, the lab exercise will specify that, and then each pair-programmed file turned in will include both of the names of the students who worked on it as a pair.)

**Important aside:** pair programming specifically means that two people sit at one computer, with one typing while the other says what to type. Both people are actively involved in the programming process. Pair-programming is **not** two people working at two computers, each doing different parts of the work individually. Pair-programming is also not one person doing all the work while the other does nothing or does something else. If pair-programming is ever explicitly permitted, then you are expected to actually pair-program any files you do not complete on your own.

**If** an assignment does explicitly specify that it is acceptable to pair program or work in groups, make sure that you **don't** get into the situation where you are merely watching someone else learn.

For homework assignments (that are not explicitly specified as permitting pair-programming), students may discuss general approaches as long as **no one involved in the discussion is writing anything down or typing anything during such discussions**. Students may also help one another in determining causes of program bugs, or in determining the meaning of compiler error messages. However, in general, students may not work together to complete homework assignments, one student should not instruct another in how to write the code for a homework assignment, and **any type of copying or modifying of another person's computer files, OR of providing computer files to another, related to homework assignments is definitely over the line, and never justified**. This applies to copying of documentation and comments as well as to copying of program code.

Note that it is **your** responsibility to ensure that course assignment files are read-protected. If you are careless about this, and someone else copies your work, you will share the penalty. (In particular, be very careful about leaving work on shared network drives in campus labs, or in UNIX/Linux directories that are not read-protected.)

Learning takes hard work; when students turn in others' work as their own, it is a slap in the face to those seriously interested in learning. Not turning in an assignment results in no credit for that assignment, of course, but that is an honest grade. Work that violates the course honesty policy deserves a lower grade than that, and therefore the course policy is that work violating this policy will receive **negative** credit. A person providing a file for copying receives the same **negative** credit as the copier. Repeat offenses will be handled according to University policies.

**Asking Questions/Getting Help:**

- Sending questions by e-mail can be a very effective way to ask for help.
  - Include **CS 328** along with the subject of your e-mail in the **Subject:** line of any class-related e-mail that you send me. This will help your e-mail be more recognizable as a class-related message, and will make it less likely that I will accidentally overlook it.
  - ALSO include a descriptive subject along with the **CS 328** in that **Subject:** line -- this also increases the chances that I will notice and reply to your question more promptly. (In particular, do not just reply to a class e-mail message I have sent previously, and do not simply leave the **Subject:** line blank.)
  - That said, if I have not replied to your e-mail within 24 hours, please re-send it, just in case I did overlook it somehow.
  - You are expected to sign each e-mail you send me with your name -- sometimes the sender's identity is not obvious from one's e-mail address, especially for an off-campus e-mail address.
  - Also, DON'T INCLUDE the word "password" in your e-mails to me -- **pwd** is a handy abbreviation to use instead -- because, due to phishing scams, HSU's spam filtering does not seem to like e-mails with that word
in it! (Odd, but this was definitely the case in Spring 2010...)

• I try to check my e-mail (st10@humboldt.edu or sharon.tuttle@humboldt.edu or smtuttle@humboldt.edu) about once a day on weekdays, and about once over each weekend. This is another reason to start assignments early, so that you have time to receive a reply to any questions that might arise.

• You are encouraged to ask me questions in class, in office hours, and by e-mail. The most successful students are those who are not afraid to ask questions early and often (I will gently let you know if you are overdoing it), who do the assigned reading, who attend lecture and lab regularly, who start homeworks promptly after they are made available from the course web page, and who practice course concepts as much as possible.
  – It is better to ask a question sooner than later -- for example, it is better to send an e-mail with a specific question as soon as you think of it than it is to wait a day or two until the next class meeting or office hour. If you wait to ask such questions, you may not have time to complete the assignment.
  – It is perfectly reasonable if you send me a question and then end up finding out the answer yourself before you receive my answer; likewise, it is not a problem if you end up sending me several questions in separate e-mails (as you work on different parts of a homework while awaiting earlier answers).

• That said, I am expecting that you will ask specific questions -- overly vague or broad questions are problematic.
  – (For example, an example of a specific question is, "When I try to run the query: (paste in the query), I receive the following error message: (paste in the error message) Can you point me in the right direction about what is wrong?" An example of an overly vague or broad question is: "Here's my SQL script/PHP file/HTML5/CSS/etc. Is it right??")

Additional Coursework-Related Policies:

• You should not expect to be able to finish course assignments during the lab sessions -- although you may occasionally get some lab time to work on course assignments, typical lab sessions will include a lab exercise that is to be completed in lab. Even when you finish the lab exercise early, it will still be the case that, like any college-level course, you should expect to put in a significant amount of time outside of scheduled class meetings (lectures and labs) doing the assigned reading, working on course assignments, and practicing concepts discussed.

• Each assignment must be submitted as is specified on its handout to be accepted for credit. This may vary for different assignments. Often, parts of assignments will be submitted using a special tool on nrs-projects.

• Each assignment will be clearly marked with one or more due dates (a single assignment could have multiple parts with multiple due dates).
  – No assignments will be accepted late. If you wish to receive any credit for an assignment, then you must turn in whatever you have done, even if it is incomplete, by the deadline. Partial credit is usually preferable to no credit. Note that "the computer/network/etc. going down" is no excuse --- if you leave an assignment for the last minute and there are technical problems, you still must turn in whatever you have by the deadline. As with any work done on computer, make frequent back-ups of your files!
  – You may submit multiple versions of assignment files before the deadline; I will grade the latest pre-deadline submission unless you inform me otherwise. This is to encourage you to turn assignment parts in early (since you will know that you can always turn in an improved version if further inspiration strikes). You also don't have to worry about forgetting to submit something that has already been submitted.
  – If for any reason you cannot submit course work using the submission tool on nrs-projects, e-mail me your homework files as attachments by the deadline, and then submit the files using the submission tool as soon as you are able. The e-mailed files will establish that these files were completed by the deadline.

• The tool that you will be using to submit assignments results in a file that serves as your "receipt" for having submitted items. You are expected to retain these "receipt" files at least until a grade has been posted to the
course Moodle site for that assignment. If there is a system glitch or other hardware/software/network problem, you may be asked to make me a copy of one or more receipt files; if you do not have them, then you will not receive credit for the files involved. These receipt files are for your protection!

• It is nearly impossible to write unambiguous specifications. If you have questions about "what she means", get them resolved very early in the development cycle by **asking**.

• There is more to computer code than simply whether it runs or not...
  
  – Part of your grade will be determined by how well your work meets the written requirements. Work that you turn in is expected to meet handout specifications precisely; when one eventually works within a team on large projects, following the specifications precisely is vital, and can mean the difference between a working product and one that just sits there.
  
  – Note that work may be graded on **style** as well as on whether it runs properly and whether it precisely meets the homework specifications and requirements. Discussions on style will be ongoing throughout the semester.

• Some course work may be graded simply based on whether it has been attempted (the instructor's decision is final as to whether this is the case) -- other course work may be graded for correctness, style, and whether it meets specifications. You will not know in advance which will be the case.

**Additional Grading-Related Policies:**

• Clicker questions will be given during most lectures and labs; graded lab exercises will be given during most lab sessions.
  
  – The **two lowest lab exercise grades** will be dropped from your grade.
  
  – Between the ample quantity of clicker questions and the dropped lab exercise grades, then, you can be absent several times from non-exam lecture or lab sessions without direct penalty, for whatever reason (although you are, of course, still responsible for the material covered on those days, and it is your responsibility to determine what that material is).

• Note: **NO** homework grades are dropped; **ALL** homework grades count toward your homework average. Every homework includes important practice of course fundamentals.

**Additional Course Policies:**

• You are expected to read this syllabus and be prepared to verify in a required Moodle activity that you have received it, have read it, and understand its contents.

• Exam dates are given in the course schedule below. Make-up exams are only possible by special prior arrangement or because of a valid medical excuse.

• You should monitor your e-mail for course-related messages. The University provides a means for you to specify your preferred e-mail address, so if you wish to receive e-mail into an account other than the one HSU provides, change your preferred e-mail address in both Account Center and Moodle accordingly. Course-related messages from me will include **CS 328** in the **Subject:** line.

• You are expected to check the public course web page and the course Moodle site regularly --- course handouts, homework assignments, examples from lectures and labs, and possibly more will be posted to the public course web page, and grades will be posted to the course Moodle site. You are expected to monitor your posted grades and let me know about any discrepancies.

• When reading assignments are given, you are expected to prepare (read and study) assigned readings before class and to participate in class discussions. Projected examples will be utilized frequently during discussion. You should understand that there may be material in the reading that will not be discussed in lecture/lab, and material in the lectures/labs that may not be found in the reading. You are responsible for both.

• **Attendance and disruptive behavior:** Students are responsible for knowing policy regarding attendance and
disruptive behavior:
http://www.humboldt.edu/studentrights/attendance_behavior.php

- Regular attendance at lecture and lab sessions is expected. If you should happen to miss a lecture or a lab, then you are responsible for finding out what you missed. "I wasn't there that time" is never an acceptable excuse. Lecture and lab notes are not posted, although many of the projected examples will be made available on the public course web site. Clicker questions and graded lab exercises missed cannot be made up later.

- As previously mentioned, during lab sessions, there may be lab exercises due during that lab session. Once a lab's lab exercise is complete, the remaining lab time should be used to continue work on the current course homework assignment, to practice course concepts, and/or to ask questions about course-related topics.

- **Late arrival to class:** Please attempt to come to class on time, with your headphones put away and your cell phones turned off. If you must arrive late or leave early, please do so with the least possible distraction to other students. If your late/early habits become disruptive, you may be asked to leave the class permanently.

- **Class disruption:** University policy requires that instructors eliminate disruptions to the educational process. Distractions such as excess talking, ringing cell phones, working on assignments for other classes, inappropriate or distracting laptop/tablet/smartphone/gadget use, demonstrations of affection, packing of books early, loud music leaking from headphones, chronic late arrivals or early departures, excessive comings and goings or other behaviors that disrupt the class are not acceptable. Students indulging in such behaviors will first be warned before being required to leave the class permanently.

- **Emergency Evacuation:** Please review the evacuation plan for the classroom (posted on the orange signs), and review the campus Emergency Management Program sites:
  - [http://www.humboldt.edu/emergencymgmtprogram/evacuation_procedures.php](http://www.humboldt.edu/emergencymgmtprogram/evacuation_procedures.php)
  - [http://www.humboldt.edu/emergencymgmtprogram/campus_emergency_preparedness.php](http://www.humboldt.edu/emergencymgmtprogram/campus_emergency_preparedness.php)

  During an emergency, information regarding campus conditions can be found at 826-INFO or:
  - [http://www.humboldt.edu/emergency](http://www.humboldt.edu/emergency)

**Tentative Course Schedule: (subject to change!)**

Note also that additional readings may be added to those given below.

**Week 1: January 22, 24**

- Monday, January 20 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - HSU Holiday - NO CLASS
- Topics: Intro to course; Clicker tests; Intro to n-tiered architectures; DATA-TIER: review of SQL and PL/SQL triggers
- **Homework 1 out**

**Week 2: January 27, 29, 31**

- Topics: DATA-TIER: PL/SQL stored procedures, stored functions, and exception-handling
- **Homework 1 due, Homework 2 out**

**Week 3: February 3, 5, 7**

- Reading: Course text: Chapter 2; Chapter 6 sections 6.1, 6.2
- Topics: CLIENT-TIER: intro to HTML5, including forms and tables
- **Homework 2 due, Homework 3 out**
Week 4: February 10, 12, 14
- Reading: Course text: Chapter 3 sections 3.1, 3.2, 3.3; Chapter 4 sections 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4
- Topics: intro to CSS/CSS3
- Homework 3 due, Homework 4 out

Week 5: February 17, 19, 21
- NOTE: Last day to drop a course without a W, without a serious and compelling reason, and without it counting toward your 18 semester-units drop limit is Monday, February 17.
- Reading: Course text: Chapter 8 sections 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4; Chapter 9 sections 9.1, 9.2, maybe 9.3
- Topics: CLIENT-TIER: intro to client-side JavaScript
- Homework 4 due, Homework 5 out

Week 6: February 24, 26, 28
- Reading: to be announced; hope to find a reasonable intro to jQuery
- Topics: Intro to jQuery
- Homework 5 due

Week 7: March 3, 5, 7
- Topics: Review for Exam 1; working toward APPLICATION-TIER: intro to Java-needed-for-CS-328 (intro to Java and JDBC)
- Friday, March 7: Exam 1
- Homework 6 out

Week 8: March 10, 12, 14
- Topics: working toward APPLICATION-TIER: intro to Java and JDBC
- Homework 6 due, Homework 7 out

Spring Break - March 17-21

Week 9: March 24, 26, 28
- Topics: APPLICATION-TIER: intro to Java servlets
- Homework 7 due, Homework 8 out

Week 10: April 2, 4
- Monday, March 31 - Cesar Chavez Day - HSU Holiday - NO CLASS
- Topics: APPLICATION-TIER: reminder of finite state machines (FSMs), discussion of the statelessness of HTTP, and intro to Java sessions
- Homework 8 due

Week 11: April 7, 9, 11
- NOTE: Last day to drop a course with a W, with a serious and compelling reason, and subject to your 18 semester-units drop limit is Monday, April 7.
• Monday, April 7: Review for Exam 2
• Wednesday, April 9: APPLICATION-TIER: A few words on security: XSS (cross-site scripting) and SQL injection; request for any questions regarding upcoming Exam 2
• Friday, April 11: Exam 2
• Homework 9 out

Week 12: April 14, 16, 18
• Topics: APPLICATION-TIER: intro to JSP
• Homework 9 due, Homework 10 out

Week 13: April 21, 23, 25
• Reading: Course text: Chapter 5 sections 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, Chapter 6 section 6.4, Chapter 14 section 14.3, maybe Chapter 13 section 13.4
• Topics: APPLICATION-TIER: Intro to PHP
• Homework 10 due, Homework 11 out

Week 14: April 28, 30, May 2
• Reading: Course text: Chapter 7, Chapter 12 sections 12.3, 12.4
• Topics: CLIENT-TIER: Intro to Web Design and Usability, APPLICATION-TIER: Intro to XML and JSON
• Homework 11 due, Homework 12 out

Week 15: May 5, 7, 9
• Reading: Course text: Chapter 12 sections 12.1, 12.2
• Topics: a few words on AJAX; presentations/peer critiques of web design/usability problem(s) from Homework 12; review for Final Exam
• Homework 12 due

Final Exam:
WEDNESDAY, May 14, 12:40 - 2:30 pm, in SH 120 (unless I announce otherwise)