

Laurie Zouharis

Instructor

Education

MS, University of Massachusetts, Lowell, Lowell, MA, USA, Mathematics, 2007

BA, Assumption College, Worcester, MA, USA, Computer Science, Minor Mathematics, 1990

Teaching Interests

Information Technology, Information Systems

Computer Software Applications, New technology, Online course delivery

Database Design, Information Management for Competitive Advantage

Research Interests

IT Data consulting

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

Honors-Info Tech and Producti

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Business/Professional Experience

Instructor in Information Systems and Operations Management Department, Suffolk University-Sawyer Business School, Provide instruction in Information Technology, Information Systems concepts and Productivity Tools with an eight (4/4) section course load.

In addition to the fundamental concepts of information technologies, deliver instruction such that students understand the technology role in the global business environment. Discuss the issues regarding the digital age and ethics. Utilize the Internet to inform students about new technologies and current careers in Information Technology.

Productivity tools include spreadsheet design, presentation design and delivery techniques and database design using Microsoft Office 2007.

Provide instruction in the MBA program at Merrimack College in Information Management for Competitive Advantage

Utilize Blackboard for online delivery of all course materials, submission of assignments, surveys and assessments.

Instruct students on the creation and use of the new ePortfolio using Google Docs.

Prepare materials and conduct a workshop for other SBS faculty members on how to best utilize features in Blackboard.

Design and administer ISOM 120 Waiver Exam for students wanting to waive the ISOM 120 course. The exam assesses student knowledge in Computer concepts, Spreadsheets using Excel and Databases using Access. Waiver exam administration is online using Blackboard.

Meet with Faculty at MassBay Community College to recruit computer students into the ISOM Major. Perform recruiting activities and evaluate outside courses. Meet with ISOM faculty and Suffolk Undergraduate Programs Office. Work to construct an articulation agreement with MassBay Community College., Boston, Massachusetts (July 2008 - Present).

Instructor in Computer Information Systems, Bentley College, Provide instruction in Information Technology from a Business Perspective. Topics include, XHTML, Privacy and Security, Setting up a LAN, Operating Systems, Intellectual Property, Word 2007, Excel 2007, PowerPoint 2007 and Access 2007.

Provide instruction on Data and Information Management. Topics include relational databases, data collection, data storage and retrieval, query design, form design, report design, basic transaction architecture and systems analysis for database design.

Utilize Blackboard for, online delivery of all course materials, submission of assignments, surveys and assessments.

Participate in the coordination, design and delivery of the Information Technology course which is a required course for all Bentley students., Waltham, Massachusetts (September 2007 - June 2008).

Instructor in Business, Engineering, Science, and Technology, MassBay Community College, Provide instruction as part of the Division of Business, Engineering, Science, and Technology: Computers and Technology, Introduction to Computer Science, Programming in C++, Microsoft Windows, Access, Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Internet and Blackboard

Participate in various professional development seminars such as Pre and Post-Assessment Strategies, Team Based Learning, Classroom Management, Strategies for Dealing with Unprepared Students, Creating an Inclusive Classroom Environment

Utilize Blackboard for, online delivery of all course materials, submission of assignments, surveys and assessments., Wellesley, Massachusetts (May 1998 - May 2008).

Consulting

2010: Southboro Medical Group, Consult with the employees in several departments at Southboro Medical Group regarding collection and analysis of patient records. Create a process to import, query and summarize patient records.

Work with administrators to efficiently create and manage computerized patient and employee schedules.. Southboro, MA.

2009: Southboro Medical Group, Consult with the employees in the Disease Management Department at Southboro Medical Group regarding collection and analysis of patient and physician data. Create a process to import data. Design filters and summary reports..

INTELLECTUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Non-Refereed Presentations or Papers

Local

Zouharis, L. (2005, September). *Strategies for Dealing with Underprepared Students*. Presented at Professional Development, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

Faculty Development

Conference Attendance

May 2010: NEFDC Teaching for Learning Conference: Technology Must Serve the Content, Engaging Students and Faculty in Interdisciplinary Learning, The Lively Discussion: Discussion Protocols for Active Learning, How Learning Changes Brains: Neurological, Cognitive, & Evaluative Foundations of Learning Westford, MA.

Seminar

2009: Teaching Effectively Using Blackboard Boston, Massachusetts.

2008: Setting and Achieving your Teaching Goals Boston, Massachusetts.

2008: Using Classroom Assessment Data to Improve Student Learning Boston, Massachusetts.

2007: Universal Course Design - strategies, tools and steps for diversifying instruction to ensure that all students have access to the course. Boston, Massachusetts.

2007: Creating an Inclusive Classroom and Environment, Team Based Learning, Service Learning
Wellesley, Massachusetts.

Tutorial

2009: Connecting the .Edus: Using Technology to Connect With Our Students. This seminar included the following: Discussion: Technology for Fostering Active and Critical Thinking, Computer lab-based interactive hands-on use of Web 2.0 technologies including YouTube, Google Docs, Wikis and Blogs. The seminar discussed how these tools can be used to provide opportunities for student engagement, collaboration and reflection. These technologies were presented within the framework of the Seven Principles of Good Practice in Undergraduate Education. Worcester, Massachusetts.

2009: On-line Teaching Series Hosted by the Center for Teaching Excellence - Critical Tips for On-line Teaching from On-line Teachers Boston, Massachusetts.

2007: 3-day seminar in Adaptive Technologies: Creating a Universally Accessible Campus. Hands-on training including the following software applications: Dragon Naturally Speaking Speech-to-Text software, Kurzweil Text-to-Speech software, Inspiration Concept/mind mapping software Wellesley, Massachusetts.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

College/School Assignments

Other Institutional Service Activities

2009: Sawyer Business School Majors/Minors Showcase; Volunteer at the Suffolk University Majors and Minors Expo to promote major and minor opportunities to our students in the Information Systems Major and Minor. Discuss the major and career paths within Information Systems..

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University Assignments

Faculty Advisor

June 2010: Student Advising; Provide advising to current Suffolk students on course and major/minor selections. Provide advising to incoming students at Summer orientation..

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Other Institutional Service Activities

2009: Suffolk University Open House; Volunteer at the fall Suffolk University open house greeting and informing prospective Suffolk University students and parents..

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Student Placement

2009 - 2010: ISOM 120 Waiver Exam Design and Administration; Design concepts and hands-on exam to assess student knowledge of ISOM 120 course content. Administer and grade the exam for students wishing to waive ISOM 120..

Department Assignments

Independent Work

February 2010 - Present: Student Recruitment; Meet with Faculty at MassBay Community College to recruit computer students into the ISOM Major. Perform recruiting activities and evaluate outside courses. Meet with ISOM faculty and Suffolk Undergraduate Programs Office. Work to construct an articulation agreement with MassBay Community College..

Other Institutional Service Activities

2009: Information Systems and Operations Management Information Session; Attend the Department Information Session to meet students and discuss the details of the Information Systems Major and Minor. Help students to understand possible career paths with an IS degree..