# CMP SC 8370: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery

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Class Location: Engineering Building West 353

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Web Site: http://calla.rnet.missouri.edu/cheng\_courses/datamining2016/

## **Objectives**

The course introduces the main concepts and techniques of data mining to graduate students. It covers a variety of introductory and advanced data mining topics and methods, including data mining process, data preprocessing, mining frequent patterns, classification and prediction, cluster analysis, mining of sequence data, graph and network mining, mining of spatial, multimedia, text and web data, and major applications of data mining in industry and scientific research. From the course students can gain a set of essential data mining skills required for various industrial and academic positions in the age of *big data* explosion.

## **Textbook, Lecture Slides and Other Reading Materials**

The required text book is "Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques" by Han and Kamber, Morgan Kaufmann. The text book will be supplemented by lecture slides and some classic data mining papers posted at the course's web site.

## **Assignments**

There are *three* assignments comprised of theoretical / implementation questions throughout the course.

Homework assignment may be submitted to <a href="mailto:mudatamining@gmail.com">mudatamining@gmail.com</a> before the due date (preferred method), or turned in to the instructor or the TA. Late assignments are penalized by 20% of the total points for each late day.

### **Projects**

Students are required to work on a comprehensive group project to apply / develop data mining techniques to solve a real-world problem. Each group can have up to four students. Late projects are penalized by 20% of the total points for each late day. The project presentation, programs and report should be submitted to mudatamining@gmail.com.

### Grading

Assignments, project programs and report, project presentation, and class participation account for 30%, 25%, 25% and 20% of the grade, respectively.

## **Intellectual Pluralism**

The University community welcomes intellectual diversity and respects student rights. Students who have questions or concerns regarding the atmosphere in this class (including respect for diverse opinions) may contact the Departmental Chair or Divisional Director; the Director of the Office of Students Rights and Responsibilities (http://osrr.missouri.edu/); or the MU Equity Office (http://equity.missouri.edu/), or by email at equity@missouri.edu. All students will have the opportunity to submit an anonymous evaluation of the instructor(s) at the end of the course.

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To request academic accommodations (for example, a notetaker or extended time on exams), students must also register with the Office of Disability Services, (http://disabilityservices.missouri.edu), S5 Memorial Union, 882-4696. It is the campus office responsible for reviewing documentation provided by students requesting academic accommodations, and for accommodations planning in cooperation with students and instructors, as needed and consistent with course requirements. For other MU resources for students with disabilities, click on "Disability Resources" on the MU homepage.

## **Academic Integrity**

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## **Course Recording**

University of Missouri System Executive Order No. 38 lays out principles regarding the sanctity of classroom discussions at the university. The policy is described fully in Section 200.015 of the Collected Rules and Regulations. In this class, students may make audio or video recordings of course activity unless specifically prohibited by the faculty member. However, the redistribution of audio or video recordings of statements or comments from the course to individuals who are not students in the course

is prohibited without the express permission of the faculty member and of any students who are recorded. Students found to have violated this policy are subject to discipline in accordance with provisions of Section 200.020 of the Collected Rules and Regulations of the University of Missouri pertaining to student conduct matters.