

University of Haifa
Information and Knowledge Management
Information Organization (13:00 – 16:00)
Course number: 218.4020
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Course Overview and Objectives

EVERYTHING IS ORGANIZED, but organizing systems differ in purposes, in the resource properties and organizing principles they use, when the organizing takes place, and the methods by which it is carried out.

The objective of this course is to provide students with a framework for the theory and practice of organizing that integrates Information Organization (IO), bridging the disciplinary chasms between library and information science.

The course follows the book: The Discipline of Organization by Robert J. Glushko
The book is required. (TDO book)

Methodology

Lectures are given in Hebrew, using the book slides that are in English. The purpose is twofold: familiarize the students with the technical terminology, and with the style in the textbook.

Lectures are supplemented by

- In-class discussions
- After class **mandate** reading by the students
- Case studies from Chapter 11 of the TDO book

Grades

Case study presentation and class participation: 30%

Final project: 70%

Attendance policy is defined by the program's requirements

Homework

Case study presentation:

There are 10 case studies, each group of student will present one for 10-15 minutes, during the lectures.

Final project:

Final project will be discussed at the fifth lecture

Required Textbook:

Glushko, Robert J. (Editor). [The Discipline of Organizing: Professional Edition \(3rd edition\)](#)

<http://shop.oreilly.com/product/0636920045021.do>

O'Reilly Media, 2015.

Additional Materials (Optional)

1. Kent, William. [Data and Reality \(3rd Edition\)](#)

(Links to an external site.)

Technics Publications, 2012.

2. Grant Ingersoll, Thomas Morton, & Andrew Farris, [Taming Text: How to Find, Organize, and Manipulate It](#)

(Links to an external site.)

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Schedule:

Date	Topic
15/12/15	Introduction – Chapter 1
22/12/15	Activities and Resources in Organization Systems – Chapters 2,3 * Read sections 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.3
29/12/15	1. Visiting Lecture: Eli Simon 2. Activities and Resources in Organization Systems – Chapters 2,3 (cont.)
5/1/16	1. Resource Description and Metadata – Chapters 4, 5 2. Presentations 3. Project assignments
12/1/16	1. Visiting Lecture: Xiao Ma Cornell University 2. . Describing Relationships and Structures - Chapter 5 (cont) 3. Presentations
19/1/16	Visiting Lecture: Ruth Oren, Visual Information Organization
26/1/16	In class work on projects. Mandatory.
2/2/16	In class work on projects. Mandatory.
9/2/16 10 – 16. Mandatory attendance.	Presentations of projects