CMSC 724 Database Management Systems

Course Workload

- Heavy on reading course (~60 papers in total or 2-3 papers per class). A blend of classic and recent papers will be covered.
- Students are expected to read and have a good understanding of the presented papers ahead of the lecture day.
- After the first 2 or 3 weeks, the 2 or 3 students will do or lead the paper presentations in class on slides that will be provided to all the class ahead of time. Students are welcome to modify and/or add their own slides.
- The students to do the presentation will be randomly selected at the beginning of the class, thus all students have to be prepared for all the material of the day- this will help in discussing/evaluating the papers in depth.
- A student can opt out of a presentation if he/she is selected and will be replaced by another student. Three opt outs, will be penalized by 10%.

Grade distribution
- Class Preparation & Attendance 40%
- Project 30%
- Final exam 30%

- No open laptops in class unless the time you are giving a presentation.