

# **Business Technology Table Formatting Guidelines**

## **Main Heading(s)**

- Choose a new font that is not all capital letters
- Should look the largest in the table
- Center across table and vertically in cell
- Bold

## **Column Headings**

- Same font as main heading
- Looks larger than body text, but smaller than main heading
- Bold
- Left align over text, Right align over numbers
- Center align vertically in cell unless told otherwise

## **Body Text**

- Use a Serif font – Times New Roman, Garamond, Goudy, Librarian
- Size 11-14
- Looks the smallest in the table
- Right align numbers
- Left align text
- Center align vertically in cell unless directions say otherwise

## **Column Widths/Row Heights**

- Column widths should be slightly wider than the longest item in the column
- Row Height - .4” unless directions say otherwise

## **Borders/Shading**

- Follow directions given in assignment
- General rule for borders – place around all cells, except for blank cells
- Change color/style of border(s) only when instructed in assignment
- Shade only when instructed in assignment – lightly
- Bold text whenever you shade a cell

## **Miscellaneous Requirements**

- Center table vertically/horizontally on page
- May need to change to landscape for larger tables
- Table should fill the page nicely – no small tables!
- Always include an appropriate footer