Course duration

1 day

Course Benefits

 Learn to gain a deeper knowledge and understanding of the Azure SQL Data Warehouse and how to write it.

Course Outline

- 1. The Basics of Azure SQL
 - 1. Introduction
 - 2. Naming of Objects
 - 3. Setting Your Default Database
 - 4. SELECT * (All Columns) in a Table
 - 5. Fully Qualifying a Database, Schema and Table
 - 6. SELECT Specific Columns in a Table
 - 7. Commas in the Front or Back?
 - 8. Place your Commas in front for better Debugging Capabilities
 - 9. Sort the Data with the ORDER BY Keyword
 - 10. ORDER BY Defaults to Ascending
 - 11. Use the Name or the Number in your ORDER BY Statement
 - 12. Two Examples of ORDER BY using Different Techniques
 - 13. Changing the ORDER BY to Descending Order
 - 14. NULL Values sort First in Ascending Mode (Default)
 - 15. NULL Values sort Last in Descending Mode (DESC)
 - 16. Major Sort vs. Minor Sorts
 - 17. Multiple Sort Keys using Names vs. Numbers
 - 18. Sorts are Alphabetical, NOT Logical
 - 19. Using A CASE Statement to Sort Logically
 - 20. An Order by That Uses an Expression
 - 21. How to ALIAS a Column Name
 - 22. Aliasing a Column Name with Spaces or Reserved Words
 - 23. A Missing Comma can by Mistake become an Alias
 - 24. Comments using Double Dashes are Single Line Comments
 - 25. Comments for Multi-Lines
 - 26. Comments for Multi-Lines as Double Dashes per Line
 - 27. A Great Technique for Comments to Look for SQL Errors
 - 28. sp_help at the Database Level
 - 29. sp_help at the Object Level
 - 30. Getting System Information

31. Getting Additional System Information

2. The Where Clause

- 1. The WHERE Clause limits Returning Rows
- 2. Double Quoted Aliases are for Reserved Words and Spaces
- 3. Using a Column ALIAS in a WHERE Clause
- 4. Using a Column ALIAS in an ORDER BY Clause
- 5. In What Order Does SQL Server Process A Query?
- 6. Character Data needs Single Quotes in the WHERE Clause
- 7. Character Data needs Single Quotes, but Numbers Don't
- 8. Declaring a Variable
- 9. Comparisons against a Null Value
- 10. NULL means UNKNOWN DATA so Equal (=) won't Work
- 11. Use IS NULL or IS NOT NULL when dealing with NULLs
- 12. NULL is UNKNOWN DATA so NOT Equal won't Work
- 13. Use IS NULL or IS NOT NULL when dealing with NULLs
- 14. Using Greater Than or Equal To (>=)
- 15. AND in the WHERE Clause
- 16. Troubleshooting AND
- 17. OR in the WHERE Clause
- 18. Troubleshooting Or
- 19. Troubleshooting Character Data
- 20. Using Different Columns in an AND Statement
- 21. LIKE command Underscore is Wildcard for one Character
- 22. LIKE command using a Range of Values
- 23. LIKE command using a NOT Range of Values
- 24. LIKE Command Works Differently on Char Vs Varchar
- 25. Troubleshooting LIKE Command on Character Data
- 26. Introducing the RTRIM Command
- 27. Numbers are Right Justified and Character Data is Left
- 28. An Example of Data with Left and Right Justification
- 29. A Visual of CHARACTER Data vs. VARCHAR Data
- 30. RTRIM command Removes Trailing spaces on CHAR Data
- 31. Using Like with an AND Clause to Find Multiple Letters
- 32. Using Like with an OR Clause to Find Either Letters
- 33. Declaring a Variable and using it with the LIKE Command
- 34. Escape Character in the LIKE Command changes Wildcards
- 35. Escape Characters Turn off Wildcards in the LIKE Command

3. Distinct, Group By and TOP

- 1. The Distinct Command
- 2. Distinct vs. GROUP BY
- 3. TOP Command
- 4. TOP Command is brilliant when ORDER BY is used!
- 5. TOP Command with Ties
- 6. TOP Command Using a Variable

4. Aggregation

- 1. The 3 Rules of Aggregation
- 2. There are Five Aggregates

- 3. Troubleshooting Aggregates
- 4. GROUP BY when Aggregates and Normal Columns Mix
- 5. GROUP BY delivers one row per Group
- 6. Count Big
- 7. Limiting Rows and Improving Performance with WHERE
- 8. WHERE Clause in Aggregation limits unneeded Calculations
- 9. Keyword HAVING tests Aggregates after they are totaled
- 10. Group by Grouping Sets
- 11. Group by Rollup
- 12. Answer Set for Group by Rollup Query
- 13. Creating a Cube
- 14. Answer Set for Cube Query
- 15. An Easy Example of Creating a Cube
- 16. Getting the Average Values per Column
- 17. Average Values per Column for all Columns in a Table

5. Join Functions

- 1. Redistribution
- 2. Big Table Small Table Join Strategy
- 3. Duplication of the Smaller Table across All-Distributions
- 4. If the Join Condition is the Distribution Key no Movement
- 5. Matching Rows That Are On The Same Node Naturally
- 6. What if the Join Condition Columns are Not Primary Indexes
- 7. Strategy 1 of 4 The Merge Join
- 8. Strategy 2 of 4 The Hash Join
- 9. Strategy 4 of 4 The Product Join
- 10. A Two-Table Join Using Traditional Syntax
- 11. A two-table join using Non-ANSI Syntax with Table Alias
- 12. You Can Fully Qualify All Columns
- 13. A two-table join using ANSI Syntax
- 14. Both Queries have the same Results and Performance
- 15. LEFT OUTER JOIN
- 16. LEFT OUTER JOIN Results
- 17. RIGHT OUTER JOIN
- 18. RIGHT OUTER JOIN Example and Results
- 19. FULL OUTER JOIN
- 20. FULL OUTER JOIN Results
- 21. Which Tables are the Left and which Tables are Right?
- 22. INNER JOIN with Additional AND Clause
- 23. ANSI INNER JOIN with Additional AND Clause
- 24. ANSI INNER JOIN with Additional WHERE Clause
- 25. OUTER JOIN with Additional WHERE Clause
- 26. OUTER JOIN with Additional AND Clause
- 27. OUTER JOIN with Additional AND Clause Results
- 28. Evaluation Order for Outer Queries
- 29. The DREADED Product Join
- 30. The DREADED Product Join Results
- 31. The Horrifying Cartesian product Join

- 32. The ANSI Cartesian Join will ERROR
- 33. The CROSS JOIN
- 34. The CROSS JOIN Answer Set
- 35. The Self Join
- 36. The Self Join with ANSI Syntax
- 37. How would you join these two tables?
- 38. An Associative Table is a Bridge that Joins Two Tables
- 39. The 5-Table Join Logical Insurance Model

6. Date Function

- 1. Current_Timestamp
- 2. Getdate
- 3. Date and Time Keywords
- 4. SYSDATETIMEOFFSET Provides the Timezone Offset
- 5. SYSDATETIMEOFFSET Provides the Timezone Offset
- 6. Using both CAST and CONVERT in Literal Values
- 7. Using Both CAST and CONVERT in Literal Values
- 8. Using both CAST and CONVERT in Literal Values
- 9. The DATEADD Function
- 10. The DATEDIFF Function
- 11. DATEADD Function
- 12. A Real World Example for DateAdd Using the Order Table
- 13. DATEPART Function
- 14. DATEPART Function Examples
- 15. YEAR, MONTH, and DAY Functions
- 16. A Better Technique for YEAR, MONTH, and DAY Functions
- 17. DATENAME Function
- 18. ISDATE Function

7. Temporary Tables

- 1. Temporary Tables
- 2. CREATING A Derived Table
- 3. Naming the Derived Table
- 4. Aliasing the Column Names in the Derived Table
- 5. Multiple Ways to Alias the Columns in a Derived Table
- 6. CREATING a Derived Table using the WITH Command
- 7. The Same Derived Query shown Three Different Ways
- 8. MULTIPLE Derived Tables using the WITH Command
- 9. Column Alias Can Default For Normal Columns
- 10. Most Derived Tables Are Used To Join To Other Tables
- 11. A Join Example Showing Different Column Alias Styles
- 12. The Three Components of a Derived Table
- 13. Visualize This Derived Table
- 14. Our Join Example With the WITH Syntax
- 15. Clever Tricks on Aliasing Columns in a Derived Table
- 16. A Derived Table lives only for the lifetime of a single query
- 17. An Example of Two Derived Tables in a Single Query
- 18. RECURSIVE Derived Table Hierarchy
- 19. RECURSIVE Derived Table Query

- 20. RECURSIVE Derived Table Definition
- 21. WITH RECURSIVE Derived Table Seeding
- 22. WITH RECURSIVE Derived Table Looping
- 23. RECURSIVE Derived Table Looping in Slow Motion
- 24. RECURSIVE Derived Table Looping Continued
- 25. RECURSIVE Derived Table Looping Continued
- 26. Six rows are added in the third loop. RECURSIVE Derived Table Ends the Looping
- 27. RECURSIVE Derived Table Ends the Looping
- 28. RECURSIVE Derived Table Definition
- 29. RECURSIVE Derived Table Answer Set
- 30. What is TEMPDB?
- 31. Creating a Temporary Table
- 32. The Three Steps to Use a Private Temporary Table
- 33. Creating a Temporary Table with a Clustered Index
- 34. Creating a Columnstore Temporary Table from a CTAS

8. Sub-query Functions

- 1. An IN List is much like a Subquery
- 2. An IN List Never has Duplicates Just like a Subquery
- 3. An IN List Ignores Duplicates
- 4. The Subquery
- 5. The Three Steps of How a Basic Subquery Works
- 6. These are Equivalent Queries
- 7. The Final Answer Set from the Subquery
- 8. Should you use a Subquery or a Join?
- 9. The Basics of a Correlated Subquery
- 10. The Top Query always runs first in a Correlated Subquery
- 11. Correlated Subquery Example vs. a Join with a Derived Table
- 12. How to handle a NOT IN with Potential NULL Values
- 13. Using a Correlated Exists
- 14. How a Correlated Exists matches up
- 15. The Correlated NOT Exists
- 16. The Correlated NOT Exists Answer Set

9. Window Functions OLAP

- 1. The Row_Number Command
- 2. Using a Derived Table and Row_Number
- 3. Ordered Analytics OVER
- 4. RANK and DENSE RANK
- 5. RANK Defaults to Ascending Order
- 6. Getting RANK to Sort in DESC Order
- 7. RANK OVER and PARTITION BY
- 8. Cumulative Sum
- 9. The ANSI CSUM Getting a Sequential Number
- 10. Troubleshooting the ANSI OLAP on a GROUP BY
- 11. Reset with a PARTITION BY Statement
- 12. PARTITION BY only Resets a Single OLAP not ALL of them
- 13. Sorting in DESC Order

- 14. Moving Average
- 15. Casting a Moving Average
- 16. Partition by Resets an ANSI OLAP
- 17. COUNT OVER for a Sequential Number
- 18. The MAX OVER Command
- 19. MAX OVER with PARTITION BY Reset
- 20. MAX OVER Without Rows Unbounded Preceding
- 21. The MIN OVER Command
- 22. How Ntile Works
- 23. Ntile
- 24. Ntile Continued
- 25. Ntile Percentile
- 26. Another Ntile Example
- 27. Using Quartiles (Partitions of Four)
- 28. NTILE Buckets
- 29. NTILE Using a Value of 10
- 30. NTILE with a Partition
- 31. Using LAG and LEAD
- 32. Using LEAD
- 33. Using LEAD With and Offset of 2
- 34. LEAD
- 35. LEAD With Partitioning
- 36. Using LAG
- 37. Using LAG with an Offset of 2
- 38. LAG
- 39. LAG with Partitioning
- 40. SUM (SUM (n))
- 10. Working with Strings
 - 1. The ASCII Function
 - 2. The CHAR Function
 - 3. The UNICODE Function
 - 4. The NCHAR Function
 - 5. The LEN Function
 - 6. The DATALENGTH Function
 - 7. Concatenation
 - 8. The RTRIM and LTRIM Command trims Spaces
 - 9. The SUBSTRING Command
 - 10. Using SUBSTRING to move Backwards
 - 11. How SUBSTRING Works with a Starting Position of -1
 - 12. How SUBSTRING Works with an Ending Position of 0
 - 13. Concatenation and SUBSTRING
 - 14. SUBSTRING and Different Aliasing
 - 15. The LEFT and RIGHT Functions
 - 16. Four Concatenations Together
 - 17. The DATALENGTH Function and RTRIM
 - 18. A Visual of the TRIM Command Using Concatenation
 - 19. CHARINDEX Function Finds a Letter(s) Position in a String

- 20. The CHARINDEX Command is brilliant with SUBSTRING
- 21. The CHARINDEX Command Using a Literal
- 22. PATINDEX Function
- 23. PATINDEX Function to Find a Character Pattern
- 24. SOUNDEX Function to Find a Sound
- 25. DIFFERENCE Function to Quantile a Sound
- 26. The REPLACE Function
- 27. LEN and REPLACE Functions for Number of Occurrences
- 28. REPLICATE Function
- 29. STUFF Function
- 30. STUFF without Deleting Function
- 31. UPPER and lower Functions

11. Interrogating the Data

- 1. The NULLIF Command
- 2. The COALESCE Command Fill In the Answers
- 3. The COALESCE Answer Set
- 4. COALESCE is Equivalent to This CASE Statement
- 5. The Basics of CAST (Convert and Store)
- 6. Some Great CAST (Convert and Store) Examples
- 7. Some Great CAST (Convert and Store) Examples
- 8. A Rounding Example
- 9. Using an ELSE in the Case Statement
- 10. Using an ELSE as a Safety Net
- 11. Rules For a Valued Case Statement
- 12. Rules for a Searched Case Statement
- 13. Valued Case Vs. A Searched Case
- 14. Combining Searched Case and Valued Case
- 15. A Trick for getting a Horizontal Case
- 16. Nested Case
- 17. Put a CASE in the ORDER BY

12. Table Create and Data Types

- 1. Creating a Database
- 2. Creating a Table that is a Heap
- 3. Heap Page
- 4. Extents
- 5. Creating a Table That Has a Clustered Index
- 6. Clustered Index Page
- 7. When Do I Create a Clustered Index?
- 8. B-Trees
- 9. The Building of a B-Tree for a Clustered Index (1 of 3)
- 10. The Building of a B-Tree for a Clustered Index (2 of 3)
- 11. The Building of a B-Tree for a Clustered Index (3 of 3)
- 12. The Row Offset Array is the Guidance System for Every Row
- 13. The Row Offset Array Provides Two Search Options (1 of 2)
- 14. The Row Offset Array Provides Two Search Options (2 of 2)
- 15. The Row Offset Array Helps with Inserts
- 16. What is a Uniquefier?

- 17. Adding an Index
- 18. When Do I Create a Non Clustered Index?
- 19. B-Tree for Non Clustered Index on a Clustered Table (1 of 2)
- 20. B-Tree for Non Clustered Index on a Clustered Table (2 of 2)
- 21. Adding a Non Clustered Index to A Heap
- 22. B-Tree for Non Clustered Index on a Heap Table (1 of 2)
- 23. B-Tree for a Non Clustered Index on a Heap Table (2 of 2)
- 24. Default Values

13. View Functions

- 1. The Fundamentals of Views
- 2. Creating a Simple View to Restrict Sensitive Columns
- 3. Creating a Simple View to Restrict Rows
- 4. Basic Rules for Views
- 5. Two Exceptions to the ORDER BY Rule inside a View
- 6. Views sometimes CREATED for Row Security
- 7. Creating a View to Join Tables Together
- 8. You Select From a View
- 9. Another Way to Alias Columns in a View CREATE
- 10. The Standard Way Most Aliasing is done
- 11. What Happens When Both Aliasing Options Are Present
- 12. Resolving Aliasing Problems in a View CREATE
- 13. Aggregates on View Aggregates
- 14. Altering a Table
- 15. Altering a Table after a View has been created
- 16. A View that Errors after an ALTER
- 17. Troubleshooting a View
- 18. Loading Data through a View
- 14. Data Manipulation Language (DML)
 - 1. INSERT Syntax # 1
 - 2. INSERT Example with Syntax 1
 - 3. INSERT Syntax #2
 - 4. INSERT Example with Syntax 2
 - 5. INSERT/SELECT Command
 - 6. INSERT/SELECT Example using All Columns (*)
 - 7. INSERT/SELECT Example with Less Columns
 - 8. The UPDATE Command Basic Syntax
 - 9. Two UPDATE Examples
 - 10. Subquery UPDATE Command Syntax
 - 11. Example of Subquery UPDATE Command
 - 12. Join UPDATE Command Syntax
 - 13. Example of an UPDATE Join Command
 - 14. The DELETE Command Basic Syntax
 - 15. Two DELETE Examples to DELETE ALL Rows in a Table
 - 16. To DELETE or to TRUNCATE
 - 17. A DELETE Example Deleting only Some of the Rows
 - 18. Subquery and Join DELETE Command Syntax
 - 19. Example of Subguery DELETE Command

- 20. MERGE INTO
- 21. MERGE INTO
- 22. Set Operators Functions
- 23. Rules of Set Operators
- 24. INTERSECT Explained Logically
- 25. INTERSECT Explained Logically
- 26. UNION Explained Logically
- 27. UNION Explained Logically
- 28. UNION ALL Explained Logically
- 29. UNION ALL Explained Logically
- 30. EXCEPT Explained Logically
- 31. EXCEPT Explained Logically
- 32. Another EXCEPT Example
- 33. EXCEPT Explained Logically in Reverse Order
- 34. An Equal Amount of Columns in both SELECT List
- 35. Columns in the SELECT list should be from the same Domain
- 36. The Top Query handles all Aliases
- 37. The Bottom Query does the ORDER BY
- 38. Great Trick: Place your Set Operator in a Derived Table
- 39. UNION Vs UNION ALL
- 40. Using UNION ALL and Literals
- 41. A Great Example of how EXCEPT works
- 42. USING Multiple SET Operators in a Single Request
- 43. Changing the Order of Precedence with Parentheses
- 44. Building Grouping Sets Using UNION
- 45. Three Grouping Sets Using a UNION
- 46. Stored Procedure Functions
- 47. Creating a Stored Procedure
- 48. Executing a Stored Procedure
- 49. There are Three Ways to Execute a Stored Procedure
- 50. Creating a Stored Procedure with a CASE Statement
- 51. Our Answer Set
- 52. Dropping a Stored Procedure
- 53. Passing an Input Parameter to a Stored Procedure
- 54. Executing With Positional Parameter vs. Named Parameters
- 55. Passing an Output Parameter to a Stored Procedure
- 56. Changing a Stored Procedure with an ALTER
- 57. Answer Set for the Altered Stored Procedure
- 58. Using a Stored Procedure to Delete a Row
- 59. A Different Method to Delete a Row
- 60. Deleting a Row Using an Input Parameter
- 61. Using Loops in Stored Procedures
- 62. Stored Procedure Workshop
- 63. Looping with a WHILE Statement
- 64. Statistical Aggregate Functions
- 65. The Stats Table
- 66. The VAR and VARP Functions

- 67. A VAR Example
- 68. A VARP Example
- 69. The STDEV and STDEVP Functions
- 70. A STDEV Example
- 71. A STDEVP Example
- 72. Systems Views
- 73. System Views
- 74. sys.all_columns
- 75. sys.all_objects
- 76. sys.all_sql_modules
- 77. sys.all_views
- 78. sys.columns
- 79. sys.data_spaces
- 80. sys.database_files
- 81. sys.database_principals
- 82. sys.database_role_members
- 83. sys.databases
- 84. sys.filegroups
- 85. sys.identity_columns
- 86. sys.objects
- 87. sys.partition_range_values
- 88. sys.schemas
- 89. sys.server_role_members
- 90. sys.sql_logins

Class Materials

Each student will receive a comprehensive set of materials, including course notes and all the class examples.