

CSC435 Computer and Network Security Engineering

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Section	Time	Room	Final Exam
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Catalog description:

This course offers a detailed analysis of security problems and the corresponding methods used to create practical, working solutions to problems in computer and network security. Topics include secure software design, architecture of security products, and organization and administration of information security in IT infrastructures. The course uses an in-depth approach to analysis of security solutions – secure operating systems, secure communication protocols, and secure software. Through laboratory exercises students will develop expertise in the use of contemporary security tools for protecting computers and computer networks.

Prerequisites: CSC 315A; CSC 279 strongly recommended.

Goals:

Upon completion of the course, a student should be able to do the following:

- CG01: clearly explain the concept of cryptography and demonstrate knowledge of algorithms and the design principles of software used in cryptography;
- CG02: demonstrate understanding of guidelines and proficiency in following the principles of secure programming;
- CG03: analyze software from a security prospective and demonstrate proficiency in using secure coding practices;
- CG04: demonstrate understanding of security deficiencies of TCP/IP protocols and the ability to analyze protocol-level attacks that exploit these vulnerabilities;
- CG05: apply methods and procedures used in security assessment and security testing;

Objectives:

Upon successful completion of the course, a student will have:

- CO01: worked with multiple encryption techniques and algorithms used in security protocols and products;
- CO02: used programming tools and proper coding procedures to build secure software;
- CO03: applied proper security assessment methods and used appropriate security testing tools in order to evaluate vulnerabilities in software and suggest methods of fixing security-related flaws;
- CO04: demonstrated knowledge of the security deficiencies of TCP/IP protocols and analyzed protocol-level attacks that exploit these vulnerabilities;
- CO05: learned design and implementation of software products employed to protect data and computer systems in IT environments;

Course Objective / Assessment Mechanism matrix

Program Objective (condensed form)	CO01	CO02	CO03	CO04	CO05
PO-A: apply knowledge of computing and math	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PO-B: analyze a problem and define its computing requirements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PO-C: design, implement and evaluate applications		✓	✓		✓
PO-D: function effectively in teams to accomplish a common goal					

Program Objective (condensed form)	CO01	CO02	CO03	CO04	CO05
PO-E: professional, ethical, and social responsibilities			✓		✓
PO-F: communicate effectively with a range of audiences				✓	
PO-G: local and global impact of computing on people and society			✓		✓
PO-H: need for continuing professional development		✓			✓
PO-I: use current techniques, skills, and tools	✓	✓	✓		✓
PO-J: apply theory and principles to model and design systems	✓	✓	✓	✓	
PO-K: apply design and development principles in constructing software		✓			
note - full statements of the Program Outcomes (objectives) for the Computer Science Major can be found in the document <i>Computer Science Major Program Educational Objectives and Program Outcomes</i> on the Assessment page of the Computer Science Major (cs.salemstate.edu)					

Course topics:

- Review of necessary concepts
 - Programming networking applications PL1 (2)
 - TCP/IP family of protocols and the Internet NC2 (2)
 - Computer architecture and Operating Systems AR9(1), OS2 (1)
- Problems and Solutions in Computer and Network Security
 - Security vulnerabilities, attackers and their attacks NC3(3), AR6 (3)
 - Security models, identification mechanisms, access control OS7(2)
 - Secure operating systems NC3(1),OS2(1),OS7(1)
- Concepts and mathematics of encryption
 - Introduction into cryptography AL9 (2)
 - Symmetric and public key encryption
 - Digital signatures
 - Hashing algorithms and use of hashing in encryption
- Principles, guidelines, and practices of secure programming SE5(1),SE6(2),SE8(2)
 - Concepts and principles of secure programming
 - Discussion of main issues in secure programming (Authentication, Authorization, Data validation, Session management, Logging, Error handling, Code Quality)
 - Processes and technical controls necessary to develop secure software.
 - Secure programming in C and Java security platform (J2SE)
- Network Security NC3 (8)
 - Architecture and implementation of firewalls
 - Vulnerabilities of TCP/IP protocols and techniques that exploit them
 - Analysis of IPsec design, architecture, and implementation.
 - The Internet key exchange protocols
 - IPsec deployment issues and deployment scenarios
- Web security NC4(1),NC5(1),NC8(1),IM1(1)
 - Web client-server data and control flow
 - Basic ideas in WWW security
 - Introduction into Secure Socket Layer (SSL) and SSL programming
 - Web servers and Web security management
- Security of IT infrastructures NC3(2), NC8(2), NC9(2)
 - Architecture of Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)
 - PKI Protocols and Standards, PKI-enabled services, and certificate management
 - Anatomy of a Virtual Private Network
 - Architecture and organization of IT infrastructure defense products (demilitarize zones, intrusion detection systems, firewalls, network address translation, secure DNS, secure authentication, etc.)
 - Evaluating and testing network and system security

Organization of the course

The course consists of lectures, labs, homework assignments, quizzes, and two exams – a midterm and a final. Lectures are accompanied by live demonstration of security products and solutions. Weekly labs consist of hands-on exercises that include examination of security software and usage of different security tools. Homework assignments, given weekly, consist of doing research on different aspects of computer and network security. Individual and group projects include analyzing and solving security-related tasks.

Assignments: There will be 4 home assignments that include code analysis of security software products. (including code analysis) and projects that cover principles and rules of creating secure software presented during the course.

Projects: there will be two programming projects that include writing secure software according to the principles learned during the course.

Labs: There will be one security lab each week. Each lab will be defined through a set of actions and results that cover material learned during the week. All labs will be conducted within an environment specifically created for this course.

Exams and quizzes: There will be a midterm examination, four quizzes, and a comprehensive written two-hour final examination.

Grading: Final grades will be determined using the following approximate weights:

- Laboratory exercises 10%
- Home assignments 10%
- Quizzes 20%
- Projects 20%
- Midterm exam 20%
- Final exam 20%

Course Objective / Assessment Mechanism matrix

	Lab assignments	Homework assignments	Quizzes	Projects	Midterm exam	Final Exam
CO01			✓		✓	✓
CO02	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CO03		✓		✓	✓	✓
CO04	✓		✓		✓	✓
CO05			✓	✓	✓	✓

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- Whitman, Michael. **Principles of Information Security**. Cengage Learning, 2009.

Tools and Web resources

- An illustrated guide to IPsec: <http://www.unixwiz.net/techtips/iguide-ipsec.html>
- Secure Programming for Linux and Unix: <http://www.dwheeler.com/secure-programs/>

O'Reilly Secure programming cookbook for C and C++ (online book)
Secure programming: <http://www.freebsd.org/doc/en/books/developers-handbook/secure.html>
Utility for network exploration: <http://nmap.org/>
Network security lectures: <http://www.cis.ufl.edu/~nemo/security/>
Backtrack remote penetration toolset: www.remote-exploit.org
An illustrated guide to IPsec: <http://www.unixwiz.net/techtips/iguide-ipsec.html>

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In the event of an emergency, please refer to the alternative educational plans for this course, which will be distributed via standing class communication protocols. Students should review the plans and act accordingly. Any required material that may be necessary will have been previously distributed to students electronically or will be made available as needed via email and/or Internet access.

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<p>Note: This syllabus represents the intended structure of the course for the semester. If changes are necessary, students will be notified in writing and via email.</p>
