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| Course Number | CS 410 | Course Title | Computer Security | | | | |
| Semester Hours | 3 | Course Coordinator | Abdullah Aydeger | | | | |
| Catalog Description | A broad overview of the principles, mechanisms, and implementations of computer security. Topics include cryptography, access control, software security and malicious code, trusted systems, network security and electronic commerce, audit and monitoring, risk management and disaster recovery, military security and information warfare, physical security, privacy and copyrights, and legal issues. | | | | | | |
| Textbooks | | | | | | | |
| SP20 | | | | | | | |
| Whitman, M. and Mattord, H. (2018). <i>Principles of Information Security</i> . Cengage, 6 th Ed. ISBN: 978-1337102063. | | | | | | | |
| References | | | | | | | |
| Course Learning Outcomes | | | | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To learn the principles, mechanisms and implementation of information and communication security in computer systems and networks. • Understand the fundamentals of cryptography and its deployment. • To learn the up-to-date security protocols and explain the design criteria and possible flaws behind them. • Understand the security threats and their countermeasures. • To learn to build secure software and systems. • To learn programming techniques for security protocols. | | | | | | | |
| Assessment of the Contribution to Student Outcomes | | | | | | | |
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| Outcome → | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Assessed → | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Prerequisites by Topic | | | | | | | |
| CS 306 with a grade of C or better or graduate standing. | | | | | | | |

Major Topics Covered in the Course

1. Introduction: security goals, types of threats, security policies models, security standards {2 classes }
2. Cryptography: classical ciphers stream and block ciphers, public-key encryption, hashes and message digests, signature schemes, key establishment and management {12 classes }
3. Network security: PKI, E-mail security, IP security, Web security, virtual private networks, sniffing and spoofing, firewalls, denial-of-service attacks, electronic commerce wireless security {11 classes }
4. System security: access control, authentication and authorization, file protection, intrusion detection, trusted computing and digital rights management, UNIX security {8 classes }
5. Program security: buffer overflow attacks, viruses and worms, Trojan horses, proof-carrying code, sandboxing, Java security {4 classes }
6. Physical security, operational security, ethical and legal issues in security {5 classes }

NOTE: When course is taken as 500-level credit (CS 591 “Special Topics”), there will be additional requirements such as a research project.