

**SU DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE**  
**SYLLABUS (Tentative)**  
**COSC 472 Network Security**

**Description:** The course will study the principles and practice of network security. It covers three areas: security risks and countermeasures, principles of computer cryptography, and applied cryptography in network systems. Topics include the themes and challenges of network security, the role of cryptography, and modern techniques for computer and network security.

**Prerequisite:** Computer Networks (COSC370) with a grade of C or better

**Required Text:** "Network Security Essentials", by William Stallings, Prentice Hall, 5th edition, 2010  
ISBN: 9780133370430.

**References:** "Security in Computing", Charles P. Pfleeger and Shari Lawrence Pfleeger, 4/e Prentice Hall,  
"Network Security: Private Communication in a Public World", Kaufman, Perlman, and Speciner., 2e.  
Prentice Hall PTR, 2002  
"Computer Security: Art and Science", Matt Bishop. Addison Wesley Professional, 2003.

<b>Topics</b>	<b>Weeks</b>
<b><i>Introduction to Network Security</i></b> Security Architecture, Attacks, Services and Models, Recent Developments	2.0
<b><i>Concepts of Cryptography</i></b> Modern Symmetric Cryptographic Systems: Principles, Algorithms, Ciphers Public Key Cryptography: Principles, Algorithms, Authentication, Hash Functions Basic Number Theory	4.0
<b><i>Network Security Applications</i></b> Authentication Applications: Kerberos, X.509 Authentication Service E-mail Security: PGP, S/MIME IP Security: IPSec, Virtual Private Networks, IPv6 Security, Mobile IP Security Web Security: SSL, TLS, SET	5.0
<b><i>System Security</i></b> Intrusion and Intrusion Detection, Viruses and Worms, Firewalls, Denial of Service	2.0
<b><i>Tests</i></b>	<u>1.0</u> 14.0

**EVALUATION**

Homework, Labs, Programs, and Projects 50%  
Tests and Final Exam 50%

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