

## **Course Specifications**

| <b>Course Title:</b> | Advanced Topics in Network Security                    |
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| Course Code:         | 502555-3   |
| Program:             | <b>Bachelor in Information Technology</b>              |
| Department:          | Department of Information Technology                   |
| College:             | <b>College of Computers and Information Technology</b> |
| Institution:         | Taif University  |







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## **A. Course Identification**

| 1. Credit hours: 3   |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| 2. Course type   |  |  |
| <b>a.</b> University College Department $$ Others  |  |  |
| <b>b.</b> Required Elective $$   |  |  |
| 3. Level/year at which this course is offered: 14/5 or 15/5  |  |  |
| <b>4. Pre-requisites for this course</b> (if any) <b>:</b> Computer System security 502551-3 or 502552-3 or 502553-3 |  |  |
| 5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):<br>NAN  |  |  |

#### 6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction   | <b>Contact Hours</b> | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| 1  | Traditional classroom | 8                    | 100%       |
| 2  | Blended               | 0                    | 0          |
| 3  | E-learning            | 0                    | 0          |
| 4  | Distance learning     | 0                    | 0          |
| 5  | Other                 | 0                    | 0          |

#### 7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

| No | Activity          | <b>Contact Hours</b> |
|----|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1  | Lecture           | 50                   |
| 2  | Laboratory/Studio | 30                   |
| 3  | Tutorial          |                      |
| 4  | Others (specify)  |                      |
|    | Total             | 80                   |

## **B.** Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

#### **1.** Course Description

This course will introduce students to current state-of-the-art topics in security. Topics may vary from year to year. For example, this course may introduce IoT security, cloud networks security, Hacking techniques, etc.

Moreover, students will be asked to read and present some recent research papers in the field of security by their own.

Moreover, students will be asked to perform some practical projects related to the selected topics.

#### 2. Course Main Objective

The main objective of this course is to understand advanced concepts in designing, developing, managing and analyzing security systems; review inter-dependencies between system components and point out major vulnerabilities; design security mechanisms; reflect requirements and demands that have to be addressed when solving problems and security issues in common computer systems and create both written project report and (oral) presentation of the project.

Argue for their solution or analysis in the ways implied above.

#### **3.** Course Learning Outcomes

| CLOs |  | Aligned<br>PLOs |
|------|--|-----------------|
| 1    | Knowledge and Understanding  |                 |
|      |  |                 |
| 2    | Skills :   |                 |
| 2.1  | Define the recent directions in data and network security                      | S1              |
| 2.2  | Describe the security and privacy issues for the selected topics               | S2              |
| 2.3  | Apply practical projects related to the selected topic                         | <b>S</b> 3      |
| 3    | Values:  |                 |
| 3.2  | Present and evaluate some basic research papers related to the selected topics | V1              |

## **C. Course Content**

| No | o List of Topics                                   |    |
|----|--|----|
| 1  | Lecture 1 - Introduction                           | 5  |
| 2  | Lecture 2 - IoT Architectures                      | 5  |
| 3  | Lecture 3 - Hardware Platforms and Sensors         | 5  |
| 4  | Lecture 4 - IoT Device Programming and Debugging   |    |
| 5  | Lecture 5 - Hardware and Software Optimisation     | 10 |
| 6  | Lecture 6 - Wireless Connectivity                  | 10 |
| 8  | Lecture 7 - Addressing, Routing, E2E communication | 10 |
| 9  | Lecture 10 - IoT Security & Privacy                | 10 |
| 10 | 10 Lecture 11 - IoT Security (part 2). The Cloud   |    |
|    | Total  | 80 |

## **D.** Teaching and Assessment

## 1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | <b>Course Learning Outcomes</b>                                  | Teaching Strategies   | Assessment Methods           |
|------|--|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 1.0  | Knowledge and Understanding                                      |                       |                              |
| 1.1  | Define the recent directions in data and network security        | Lecture<br>Discussion | Assignments<br>Written exams |
| 1.2  | Describe the security and privacy issues for the selected topics | Lecture<br>Discussion | Assignments<br>Written exams |
| 2.0  | Skills   |                       |                              |

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes                | <b>Teaching Strategies</b> | Assessment Methods |
|------|---|----------------------------|--------------------|
| 2.1  | Apply practical projects related to the | Lecture                    | Assignments        |
|      | selected topic                          | Discussion                 | Practical Exam     |
|      |   | Lab work                   | Written exams      |
|      |   |                            |                    |
|      |   |                            |                    |
| 3.0  | Values                                  |                            |                    |
|      | Read and present basic research papers  | Project presentation       |                    |
| 3.1  | related to the selected topics          | Writing summary of         | Project            |
|      |   | research paper             |                    |
|      |   |                            |                    |

#### 2. Assessment Tasks for Students

| # | Assessment task*             | Week Due | Percentage of Total<br>Assessment Score |
|---|------------------------------|----------|---|
| 1 | Assignments (4 assignments)  | 3 - 10   | 10%                                     |
| 2 | Mid Exam                     | 6        | 20%                                     |
| 3 | Attendance/ class activities | 10       | 10%                                     |
| 4 | Labs                         | 11       | 10%                                     |
| 5 | Minor project                | 11       | 10%                                     |
| 6 | Final Exam                   | 12       | 40%                                     |

\*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

## E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

# Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:

Academic advising and counseling of students is an important component of teaching; student academic advising is a mandatory requirement of College of Computers and Information Technology (CCIT). Appropriate student advising provides support needed for the student during times of difficulty. In addition, it helps the student to build a close relationship with his/her advisor and to provide student motivation and involvement with the institution.

In addition, since faculty are usually the first to recognize that a student is having difficulty, faculty members play a key role in developing solutions for the students or referring them to appropriate services. Faculty members also participate in the formal student-mentoring program.

Additional counseling is provided by course directors, who provide students with academic reinforcement and assistance and refer "at risk" students to the Vice Dean for Academic Affairs and the Vice Dean for female section.

## **F. Learning Resources and Facilities**

## **1.Learning Resources**

| <b>Required Textbooks</b>         | Shancang Li, Li Da Xu; Securing the Internet of Things, sciencedirect, 2017.                          |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Essential References<br>Materials | Journal web site and readings papers from ACM, IEEE, springer, Sciencedirect.                         |
| Electronic Materials              | Presentations and recorded lectures<br>http://www.inf.ed.ac.uk/teaching/courses/iotssc/#lecture-notes |
| Other Learning<br>Materials       | -   |

## 2. Facilities Required

| Item  | Resources  |
|---|--|
| Accommodation<br>(Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration<br>rooms/labs, etc.)  | <ul> <li>A Lecture room appropriate for maximum 25<br/>students with a personal computer, a data show and<br/>a smart board.</li> <li>A Lab room appropriate for maximum 15 students<br/>with a personal computer, a data show and a smart<br/>board.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Technology Resources</b><br>(AV, data show, Smart Board, software,<br>etc.)  | Lab materials and required software  |
| Other Resources<br>(Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory<br>equipment is required, list requirements or<br>attach a list) |  |

## **G.** Course Quality Evaluation

| Evaluation<br>Areas/Issues                    | Evaluators           | Evaluation Methods  |
|---|----------------------|---|
| Effectiveness of Teaching                     | Students             | Students' surveys and Students course evaluation  |
| Improvement of Teaching                       | Course Coordinator   | deficiencies based on the<br>student Evaluation, faculty<br>input, course file, and program<br>assessment   |
| Verifying Standards of Student<br>Achievement | Curriculum Committee | <ul> <li>Review CAF (Course assessment file)</li> <li>Alumni surveys.</li> <li>Periodic exchange and remarking of tests or a sample of assignments with staff at another</li> </ul> |

**Evaluation areas** (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

**Evaluators** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify) Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

## **H. Specification Approval Data**

| Council / Committee | IT Department Council/ Executive program committee |  |
|---------------------|--|--|
| Reference No.       | 11   |  |
| Date                | 23/10/21443  |  |

