Information Technology (IT)

Courses

IT 1100. Introduction to Unix/Linux. 3 Hours.
Required of all Computer and Information Technology majors, and open to students with a general interest in computer operating systems. Introduces operating system concepts, including file systems, process management, user management, and security. Students will install and configure LINUX and MAC OS. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Use basic Linux commands to interact with directories, files, processes, and the system. 2. Demonstrate that they understand the Ubuntu file system hierarchy. 3. Manipulate files using a text editor from the command line. 4. Analyze log files and make informed decisions as to what log files are telling them. 5. Write basic shell scripts. 6. Perform basic administration tasks like installing programs, adding users, connecting to the network, formatting a file system, etc. Course fee required. FA, SP.

IT 1200. A+ Computer Hardware/Windows OS. 3 Hours.
This course covers installation, repair and maintenance of computer hardware. It also discusses installation, repair and maintenance of the Microsoft Windows operating system. This course prepares the student to take the CompTIA A+ certification exams. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Select and configure PC computer hardware. 2. Install, repair and support PC computer hardware. 3. Install, repair and support the Microsoft Windows operating system. 4. Pursue TestOut PC Pro certification. 5. Pursue COMPTIA A+ (220-901 & 220-902) certification. Course fee required. FA, SP.

IT 2400. Intro to Networking. 3 Hours.
Required of all Computer Science and Computer and Information Technology majors, and open to students with a general interest in computer networking. Introduces fundamental concepts of computer networks, including physical, transport, and application layers through completion of assignments predicting and measuring the behavior of computer networks under various conditions. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Pursue the CompTIA Network+ certification. 2. Explain how the Internet works. 3. Design, connect and implement a computer network. 4. Define and use several different Internet protocols. 5. Describe the TCP/IP and OSI protocol stacks and what happens at each layer. 5. Use networking tools to troubleshoot network problems. Course fee required. Prerequisite: IT 1100 (Grade C- or higher). FA, SP.

IT 2500. Cloud Computing. 3 Hours.
Cloud Architecting covers the fundamentals of building IT infrastructure on Amazon Web Services and other cloud providers. The course is designed to teach solutions architects how to optimize the use of the Cloud by understanding cloud services and how these services fit into cloud-based solutions. Because architectural solutions can differ depending on industry, type of applications, and size of business, this course emphasizes best practices for the cloud, and it recommends various design patterns to help you think through the process of architecting optimal IT solutions. It also presents case studies throughout the course, which showcase how some cloud customers have designed their infrastructures, and the strategies and services that they implemented. Finally, this course also provides opportunities to build a variety of infrastructures via a guided, hands-on approach. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Discuss cloud-based concepts and terminology. 2. Evaluate business needs and propose cloud solutions. 3. Utilize current cloud technologies to develop and implement computing solutions. 4. Successfully pass an AWS accreditation exam. Course fee required. Prerequisite: IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 3100. Systems Design and Administration I. 3 Hours.
Required of Computer and Information Technology majors and students with an emphasis in Information Technology. Covers system administration topics for managing Internet facing services, including DNS, SMTP, and HTTP. Students will install, configure, and test services in a server environment. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Perform a system installation. 2. Perform user and filesystem administration. 3. Perform configuration of DNS, web, email and database services. 4. Perform securing network and local services. 5. Perform shell scripting. Course fee required. Prerequisites: CS 1400 (Grade C- or higher); AND IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 3110. System Automation. 3 Hours.
Enhances student administrative skills by promoting use of programming structures to manipulate, configure, and maintain systems. Image creation, collection, and dissemination will also be covered. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. set up and provision a DHCP server. 2. Automate tasks for administration. Course fee required. Prerequisite: IT 3100 (Grade C- or higher). SP.

IT 3150. Windows Servers. 3 Hours.
Students will learn Windows's server management techniques to support a small to medium-sized business. Topics covered will include DHCP, DNS, IT, Windows Roles, Workgroups, Active Directory, and Domain Management. File and printer sharing will also be discussed. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Install and configure Windows Server. 2. Administer effectively Windows Server. 3. Configure communication and replication between Windows servers. 4. Deploy, integrate and configure Hyper-V into the network. 3. Describe the purposes and implementations of various Windows Server roles, role services and features. 4. Install and configure Active Directory. 5. Implement and deploy Group Policies. 6. Pursue the Microsoft Installing and Configuring Windows Server (70-740) certification exam. Course fee required. Prerequisites: IT 1200 and IT 2400 (both Grade C- or higher). SP.
IT 3300. DevOps Virtualization. 3 Hours.
Full Operating System virtualization as well as container or application virtualization topics will be covered. Automated deployment using configuration files. Management configuration such as load-balancing, auto-failover, and high availability will also be discussed. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Manage and configure enterprise virtualization requirements. 2. Describe and explain the different types of virtualization. 3. Provide redundancy and failover solutions for virtual environments, practice migration. 4. Write automated deployment scripts to provide virtual environments. Prerequisite: IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 3400. Intermediate Computer Networking. 3 Hours.
Building upon basic networking concepts, this course covers VPNs, remote connectivity, mobile networking, unified communication, IoT hardening and network monitoring. Hands on labs are a significant portion of the course. At the end of this course, students will be ready for the CompTIA Network+ certification exam. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Describe and configure virtual private networks. 2. Design, deploy and manage Virtual LANs. 3. Understand WAN technologies such as SONET, MPLS, and remote access technologies. 4. Manage and secure mobile and IoT devices on the network. 5. Understand and deploy network monitoring tools and take the CompTIA Network+ Certification Exam. Course fee required. Prerequisite: IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher). SP.

IT 4060. Big Data Analytics. 3 Hours.
Course focuses on a theoretical and hands-on exploration of business intelligence and analytics. It covers current best practices in statistical and quantitative analysis using large-scale data sets, exploratory and predictive models, and evidence-based methods to improve business decisions and actions. Dual listed with ISA 4300 (students may only take one course for credit). **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Identify the key components and concepts associated with big data analytics. 2. Apply big data and statistical best practices to collect, cleanse, transform, and store large-scale data for subsequent analysis. 3. Analyze large-scale data sets to identify hidden patterns. 4. Evaluate data models using best practices. 5. Create recommendations for improving business decisions based on the data analysis. Prerequisites: IT 4300 (Grade C- or higher); AND STAT 2040 OR MATH 1040 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 4070. Big Data Visualization. 3 Hours.
A focus on the methods, tools and processes to effectively visually encode and present insights discovered from previously analyzed data. It includes practice transforming simple and complex data analysis outputs into relevant, accurate, and effective visual displays to improve communication and decision making. Dual listed with ISA 4070 (students may only take one course for credit). **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Identify the key components and concepts associated with data visualization. 2. Recognize the ethical and financial consequences of poor data visualization techniques. 3. Differentiate between effective and ineffective methods in data analysis reporting. 4. Create graphically encoded data into useful formats from previously analyzed data. 5. Demonstrate the accurate communication of statistical findings for real world big data problems to decision makers with diverse skill levels. SP.

IT 4100. Files Systems and Storage Technologies. 3 Hours.
Classic, virtualized, and cloud storage will be covered. Topics such as RAID, NAS, SAN will be covered. Business continuity for backup and replication of storage. Local vs. Remote file systems. We will explore older and newer OS filesystems and compare them (such as fat32, ntfs, ext3, ext4, btrfs). **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Evaluate key filesystem technologies (both local and remote) and implement these filesystems. 2. Evaluate storage architectures and key data center elements in classic, virtualized, and cloud environments. 3. Explain physical and logical components of a storage infrastructure including storage subsystems, RAID, and intelligent storage systems. 4. Articulate business continuity solutions backup and replication, and archive for managing fixed content. 5. Mirror disk images, clone a hard drive, partition. Course fee required. Prerequisite: IT 3100 (Grade C- or higher). SP (odd).

IT 4200. DevOps Lifecycle Management. 3 Hours.
Takes students through the DevOps lifecycle. Students will develop practical skills in continuous integration, cloud provisioning, configuration management, continuous deployment, continuous monitoring, and continuous feedback. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Create and sign certificates, and run an SSL enabled server. 2. Describe and configure continuous integration. 3. Describe and configure continuous delivery. 4. Use automated tools for provisioning and configuration. 5. Utilize a version control system. Course fee required. Prerequisites: CS 1400 (Grade C- or higher) AND IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher); OR CS 2810 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 4300. Database Design & Management. 3 Hours.
Required of students pursuing an Information Technology emphasis. Covers administration of database management systems, logical database design, implementation of database designs, and application development using a DBMS. Students will design, manage, and implement databases and applications that use databases. Dual listed with CS 4307 (students may take only one course for credit). **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Design an effective database system. 2. Understand normal forms. 3. Understand the SQL language. Course fee required. Prerequisites: CS 1400 (Grade C- or higher); AND IT 1100 (Grade C- or higher). FA, SP.

IT 4310. Database Administration. 3 Hours.
This course covers the database architecture and environment. Students will be able to manage user access control. Students will be able to perform backup, restore, and recovery operations. Students will be able control performance and optimization issues. It covers updating and upgrading of a database system. Students will be able to perform the importing and exporting of data to/from a database. Dual listed with CS 4310 (only one course may be taken for credit). **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Manage and organize data into a database. 2. Backup and restore a database. 3. Tune a database for better performance performance. 4. Import/export data to and from a database. Course fee required. Prerequisites: IT 4300 (Grade C- or higher). FA.
IT 4400. Network Design & Management. 3 Hours.
Required of students pursuing an Information Technology emphasis. Covers the design, management, and monitoring of a network. Hands-on configuration experience of layers 1, 2, and 3 will be given on both LAN and WAN levels. The successful student will be prepared to successfully complete the CCNA exam. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Create and assign subnets and vlans. 2. Manage Cisco Devices. 3. Manage a small network. 4. Explain and Implement different routing protocols. Course fee required. Prerequisite: IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 4500. Information Security. 3 Hours.
Required of students pursuing an Information Technology emphasis. Reviews current security exploits, vulnerabilities, and counter measures. Covers general security models and architectures, encryption and forensics. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Pursue CompTIA Security+ certification (SY0-501). 2. Describe the fundamentals of Information Security. 3. Identify security vulnerabilities in networks, operating systems, and other computer-related environments. 4. Explain the legal and ethical aspects of computer security. 5. Respond to active and passive security attacks. Course fee required. Prerequisites: CS 1400 (Grade C- or higher); AND IT 3100 (Grade C- or higher). FA.

IT 4510. Ethical Hacking & Network Defense. 3 Hours.
This course provides an in-depth, hands-on experience in effectively protect networks. Students will learn the tools and penetration testing methodologies used in ethical hacking. Additionally, cyber-ethics regarding piracy, intellectual property, and fair information practices will be discussed along with state, federal, and international laws governing information technology. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Understand ethical hacking. 2. Understand threat vectors and proper defense mechanisms against them. 3. Learn emerging areas of cloud, development, and mobile hacking. 4. Develop defense skills against malware, DoS, backdoors and more. Course fee required. Prerequisites: CS 1410 (Grade C- or higher); AND IT 2400 (Grade C- or higher). SP.

IT 4600. Senior Project. 3 Hours.
Required of students pursuing an Information Technology emphasis. Students will complete an aggressive information technology project. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Analyse requirements necessary for a project. 2. Plan how to solve a project. 3. Build and implement a project. Course fee required. Prerequisite: Senior status. SP.

IT 4920R. Internship. 1-3 Hours.
Internship course in Information Technology. Variable credit 1.0 - 3.0. Repeatable up to 3 credits subject to graduation restrictions. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Apply IT skills in producing an IT project in a real world environment. 2. Design a real IT project that follows budget, timeline and technology guidelines and restrictions. 3. Collaborate with IT supervisors, team leaders and team members in an IT project. 4. Align an IT project with stated business objectives. 5. Analyze a project outcome to improve future efficiency and innovation. 6. Present a comprehensive project reflection report comparing objectives to outcomes. Prerequisite: Instructor permission. FA, SP, SU.

IT 4990. Special Topics in Information Technology. 3 Hours.
For students wishing instruction that is not available through other regularly scheduled courses in this discipline. Occasionally, either students need some type of non-traditional instruction, or an unanticipated opportunity for instruction presents itself. This course may include standard lectures, travel and field trips, guest speakers, laboratory exercises, or other nontraditional instruction methods. Repeatable for credit as topics vary, up to 12 credits. Offered by arrangement. **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs) At the successful conclusion of this course, students will be able to: 1. Analyze and implement a new technology. Course fee required. Prerequisite: Instructor permission.

IT 4991. Seminar in Information Technology. 0.5-3 Hours.
For students wishing instruction that is not available through other regularly scheduled courses in this discipline. Occasionally, either students request some type of non-traditional instruction, or an unanticipated opportunity for instruction presents itself. This seminar course provides a variable credit context for these purposes. As requirements, this seminar course must first be pre-approved by the department chair; second, it must provide at least nine contact hours of lab or lecture for each credit offered; and third, it must include some academic project or paper (i.e., credit is not given for attendance alone). This course may include standard lectures, travel and field trips, guest speakers, laboratory exercises, or other nontraditional instruction methods. Note that this course in an elective and does not fulfill general education or program requirements. Fees may be required for some seminar courses and instructor permission will be optional at the request of the instructor.