



Introduction to Data Communication and Networking – CIST 105 Computer Information Systems Technology Program

Course Outline

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2024
OUTLINE EFFECTIVE DATE: September 2024
COURSE OUTLINE REVIEW DATE: March 2029

GENERAL COURSE DESCRIPTION:

In this course learners will study the fundamentals of computer networking, protocols, components, major networking technologies and systems of modern networks, and will be able to configure, manage, and troubleshoot modern networks.

The topics include TCP/IP protocol suite, multiplexing/switching techniques, basic error detection and correction, elementary data link protocols, flow control and an introduction to routing and congestion control issues, multiple access protocols, networking and internetworking devices, LANs and WANs.

This course presents content required in the objectives of the CompTIA Network+ certification exam. Basics of Cloud computing and network security will be presented as well.

Program Information: This course is required for the first year of the Computer Information Systems Technology program.

Delivery: This program is delivered hybrid (includes both face-to-face and online components).

COTR Credits: 3

Hours for this course: 60 hours

Typical Structure of Instructional Hours:

Instructional Activity	Duration
Lecture Hours	20
Seminars / Tutorials	
Laboratory / Studio Hours	40
Practicum / Field Experience	
Other Contact Hours	
Total	60

Practicum Hours (if applicable):

Type of Practicum	Duration
On-the-Job Experience	
Formal Work Experience	
Other	
Total	N/A

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Valid from: September 2024 – March 2029

Education Council Approval Date

COURSE PREREQUISITES AND TRANSFER CREDIT:

Prerequisites: CIST 101

Corequisites: None

Flexible Assessment (FA):

Credit can be awarded for this course through FA Yes No

Learners may request formal recognition for flexible assessment at the College of the Rockies through one or more of the following processes: External Evaluation, Worksite Assessment, Demonstration, Standardized Test, Self-assessment, Interview, Products/Portfolio, Challenge Exam. Contact an Education Advisor for more information.

Transfer Credit: For transfer information within British Columbia, Alberta and other institutions, please visit <http://www.cotr.bc.ca/Transfer>.

Student should also contact an academic advisor at the institution where they want transfer credit.

Prior Course Number: N/A

Textbooks and Required Resources:

Textbook selection varies by instructor and may change from year to year. At the Course Outline Effective Date the following textbooks were in use:

TBD

Please see the instructor's syllabus or check COTR's online text calculator <https://textbook.cotr.bc.ca/> for a complete list of the currently required textbooks.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to

- describe computer networks and network media;
 - identify major types of network implementations;
 - configure the TCP/IP protocol;
 - identify major TCP/IP services;
 - describe WAN infrastructures;
 - identify components of cloud computing and virtualization;
 - describe methods of preventing security breaches;
 - identify components of remote networking; and
 - identify methods of network management.
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COURSE TOPICS:

- Computer networks and media
- Network implementations
- TCP/IP protocol and services
- WAN infrastructures
- Remote networking
- Network management and troubleshooting

See instructor's syllabus for the detailed outline of weekly readings, activities and assignments.

EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT (Face-to-Face Delivery):

Assignments	% of Total Grade
Assignments	15%
Participation	5%
Lab Work	20%
Midterm Exam	30%
Final Exam	<u>30%</u>
Total	100%

Please see the instructor's syllabus for specific classroom policies related to this course, such as details of evaluation, penalties for late assignments and use of electronic aids.

EXAM POLICY:

Students must attend all required scheduled exams that make up a final grade at the appointed time and place.

Individual instructors may accommodate for illness or personal crisis. Additional accommodation will not be made unless a written request is sent to and approved by the appropriate Department Head prior to the scheduled exam.

Any student who misses a scheduled exam without approval will be given a grade of "0" for the exam.

COURSE GRADE:

Course grades are assigned as follows:

Grade	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D	F
Mark (Percent)	≥ 90	89-85	84-80	79-76	75-72	71-68	67-64	63-60	59-55	54-50	< 50

A grade of "D" grants credit, but may not be sufficient as a prerequisite for sequential courses.

ACADEMIC POLICIES:

See www.cotr.bc.ca/policies for general college policies related to course activities, including grade appeals, cheating and plagiarism.

COURSE CHANGES:

Information contained in course outlines is correct at the time of publication. Content of the courses is revised on an ongoing basis to ensure relevance to changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The instructor endeavours to provide notice of changes to students as soon as possible. The instructor reserves the right to add or delete material from courses.