

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: NETWORK SECURITY
Status: Definitive
Code: **6021BECK** (118394)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2011

Owning School/Faculty: Computing and Mathematical Sciences
Teaching School/Faculty: Beckett College London

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Academic Level: FHEQ6
Credit Value: 24.00
Total Delivered Hours: 74.00
Total Learning Hours: 240
Private Study: 166

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24.000
Practical	12.000
Seminar	12.000
Tutorial	24.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	AS2	Examination	50.0	2.00
Report	AS1	Develop a solution to a given network security scenario.	50.0	

Aims

Understand security threats and vulnerabilities to information, computing and communications systems.
Assess critically a variety of generic security technologies for protection of computer networks.
Develop practical skills in the use of security countermeasure technologies and

associated tools.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically evaluate the threats and vulnerabilities to information, computing and communications systems.
- 2 Critically review use of security countermeasures in a computing environment.
- 3 Critically evaluate the use of information security management techniques.
- 4 Apply creative skills in the development of security software and cryptographic mechanisms and protocols to mitigate these threats and vulnerabilities.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Examination	1	4
Network security solution	2	3

Outline Syllabus

Computer security background; security goals, problems, models.

Cryptographic techniques: conventional cryptography (e.g. AES), public-key cryptography (e.g. RSA), digital signatures (e.g. DSA), and applications of cryptography.

Security services: authentication, key management and PKI, Kerberos.

Security technologies including firewalls, intrusion detection systems, biometrics, anti-viruses, access controls.

Malware; viruses and worms, botnets, mobile code security.

Securing the personal computer and network from attack; safe use of the Internet and Web.

Network security protocols: IP security (e.g. IPSec), web security (e.g. SSL/TLS), e-mail security, and e-payment systems (e.g. SET).

Access control: Bell-LaPadula, Chinese Wall, Biba.

Security management: policies, risk assessment, legal considerations, privacy, ethics, standards, education.

Introducing security research topics; e.g. trusted computing, composition, digital rights.

Learning Activities

Lectures and practical work.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Stallings, W.
Publishing Year	2011
Title	Network Security Essentials: Applications and Standards
Subtitle	
Edition	4th Edition
Publisher	Prentice-Hall
ISBN	9780136108054

Course Material	Book
Author	Stallings, W.
Publishing Year	2011
Title	Cryptography and Network Security
Subtitle	Principles and Practice
Edition	4th Edition
Publisher	Prentice-Hall
ISBN	9780136097044

Course Material	Book
Author	Whitman, M.E. & Mattord, H.J.
Publishing Year	2011
Title	Principles of Information Security
Subtitle	
Edition	4th Edition
Publisher	Thomson Course Technology
ISBN	1111138214

Course Material	Book
Author	Pfleeger, C.P. & Pfleeger, S.
Publishing Year	2006
Title	Security in Computing
Subtitle	
Edition	4th Edition
Publisher	Prentice-Hall
ISBN	0132390779

Notes

The spectacular growth of the Internet has spawned a great demand for awareness of security threats to computer networks and application of security techniques to network protection. In response to the demand, this module examines various security issues and solutions to computer and network protection.