

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Applied Cryptography
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Owning School/Faculty: Computer Science and Mathematics
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Academic Level: FHEQ6 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 46
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 154

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	22
Practical	6
Tutorial	16

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Securing a network application	40	
Exam	AS2	Examination	60	2

Aims

To develop an understanding of various security vulnerabilities in and threats to computer networks as well as the importance of network security.

To assess critically a variety of cryptographic algorithms and security techniques for protection of computer networks.

To promote the use of appropriate security techniques to solve network security

problems.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically evaluate a variety of general security threats and vulnerabilities
- 2 Identify and analyse complex security problems for a given application
- 3 Apply advanced knowledge of cryptographic algorithms, security protocols and mechanisms for the provision of security services needed for secure networked applications
- 4 Apply appropriate security techniques to solve network security problems

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Securing a network application	2	3	4
Examination	1	2	3

Outline Syllabus

Fundamentals of cryptography and network security: cryptographic concepts and models, number theory, security concepts, security threats and vulnerabilities, authentication principles and means, trust management, and importance of network security and its applications.

Cryptographic techniques: cryptanalytic attacks, conventional/symmetric cryptography, block cipher operation, stream ciphers, public-key/asymmetric cryptography, cryptographic key distribution, key establishment, hash functions, message authentication code and digital signatures.

Security measures: message integrity, message confidentiality, user and message authentication, public-key certification, key certificate validation and revocation, and X.509 directory authentication services.

Network security applications: network-based authentication protocols and services, IP security for secure Internet-based communications, virtual private networks, web security, e-mail security, and wireless security.

Learning Activities

Include attending lectures, tutorials and labs, as well as reading online resources.

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, cryptographic algorithms and security services that are essential for network protection.