

Applied Cryptography

Module Information

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Summary Information

| Module Code | 6618YCOM |
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| Formal Module Title | Applied Cryptography |
| Owning School | Computer Science and Mathematics |
| Career | Undergraduate |
| Credits | 20 |
| Academic level | FHEQ Level 6 |
| Grading Schema | 40 |

Teaching Responsibility

| LJMU Schools involved in Delivery |
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| LJMU Partner Taught |
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Partner Teaching Institution

| Institution Name | |
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| YPC International College (Kolej Antarabangsa YPC) | |

Learning Methods

| Learning Method Type | Hours |
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| Lecture | 22 |
| Practical | 6 |
| Tutorial | 27 |

Module Offering(s)

| Display Name | Location | Start Month | Duration Number Duration Unit |
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| JAN-PAR | PAR | January | 12 Weeks |

Aims and Outcomes

| 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. |
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

| Code | Number | Description |
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| MLO1 | 1 | Explain a variety of generic security threats and vulnerabilities. |
| MLO2 | 2 | Identify and analyse particular security problems for a given application. |
| MLO3 | 3 | Demonstrate advanced knowledge of cryptographic algorithms, security protocols and mechanisms for the provision of security services needed for secure networked applications. |
| MLO4 | 4 | Apply appropriate security techniques to solve network security problems. |

Module Content

| 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 (e.g. AES), block cipher operation, stream ciphers, public-key/asymmetric cryptography (e.g. RSA), cryptographic key distribution, key establishment, hash functions (e.g. SHA), message authentication code and digital signatures (e.g. DSA). 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 (e.g. Kerberos), IP security (e.g. SSL/TLS), e-mail security (e.g. PGP), and wireless security. |
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| Module Overview | |
| Additional Information | 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. |

Assessments

| Assignment Category | Assessment Name | Weight | Exam/Test Length (hours) | Module Learning Outcome Mapping |
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| Report | Securing a network application | 40 | 0 | MLO2, MLO3, MLO4 |
| Exam | Exam | 60 | 2 | MLO1, MLO2, MLO3 |

Module Contacts

Module Leader

| Contact Name | Applies to all offerings | Offerings |
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| Qi Shi | Yes | N/A |

Partner Module Team

| Contact Name | Applies to all offerings | Offerings |
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