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Course Name: Introduction to Computer Networks

Course Number: CS 372

Credits: 4

Course Description
Computer network principles, fundamental networking concepts, packet-switching and circuit switching, TCP/IP protocol layers, reliable data transfer, congestion control, flow control, packet forwarding and routing, MAC addressing, multiple access techniques.

Prerequisites: CS 261 and (ECE 271 or CS 271)

Other Prereqs: C programming and Unix familiarity.

Course Credits
This course combines approximately 120 hours of instruction, online activities, and assignments for 4 credits.

Measurable Student Learning Outcomes
At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Explain the concept of packet-switching, and identify and analyze the different types of packet delay in packet-switched networks.
2. Describe the essential principles of a transport layer protocol (reliable data transfer, flow control, congestion control)
3. Use IP addressing and apply routing algorithms to find shortest paths for network-layer packet delivery.
4. Describe and compare data link layer services and multiple access techniques.
5. Describe network security issues and some of the methods that address them.
6. Use networking tools to observe and analyze behaviors of networking protocols

Learning Resources
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- Python Socket Programming Documentation: (free online at http://docs.python.org/2/library/socket.html).
- Wireshark Packet Analyzer (free online at http://www.wireshark.org).
- Pingplotter Standard Edition (free online at http://www.pingplotter.com/download.html)

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Canvas
This course will be delivered via Canvas where you will interact with your classmates and with your instructor. Within the course Canvas site you will access the learning materials, such as the syllabus, class discussions, assignments, projects, and quizzes. To preview how an online course works, visit the Ecampus Course Demo. For technical assistance, please visit Ecampus Technical Help.

Technical Assistance
If you experience any errors or problems while in your online course, contact 24-7 Canvas Support through the Help link within Canvas. If you experience computer difficulties, need help downloading a browser or plug-in, or need assistance logging into a course, contact the IS Help Desk for assistance. You can call (541) 737-8787 or visit the OSU IS Helpdesk online.

Evaluation of Student Performance
Various activities will be evaluated. Percentages are approximate.
- Weekly summary exercises (10%): These are weekly exercises available and automatically graded within Canvas. A student may take these two times, and the highest score is taken.
- Labs / reports (15%): These assignments require running specified tests with Wireshark.
- Programs / Projects (15%): These assignments require socket programming to solve specific problems. These are done offline, and programs will be submitted for evaluation of documentation, correctness, completeness, fulfillment of requirements, and readability. Evaluation criteria will be posted before the due date.
- Quizzes (10%): These will be completed online through Canvas.
- Midterm Exam (25%): Proctored at a proctoring center (schedule in advance!).
- Final Exam (25%): Proctored at a proctoring center (schedule in advance!).

Proctored Exams
This course requires that you take 2 exams (Midterm and Final) under the supervision of an approved proctor. Proctoring guidelines and registration for proctored exams are available online through the Ecampus testing and proctoring website. It is important to submit your proctoring request as early as possible to avoid delays.

Statement Regarding Students with Disabilities

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Accommodations for students with disabilities are determined and approved by Disability Access Services (DAS). If you, as a student, believe you are eligible for accommodations but have not obtained approval please contact DAS immediately at 541-737-4098 or at http://ds.oregonstate.edu. DAS notifies students and faculty members of approved academic accommodations and coordinates implementation of those accommodations. While not required, students and faculty members are encouraged to discuss details of the implementation of individual accommodations.

Expectations for Student Conduct
Student conduct is governed by the university’s policies, as explained in the Student Conduct Code.

Academic Integrity
Students are expected to comply with all regulations pertaining to academic honesty. For further information, visit Student Conduct and Community Standards, or contact the office of Student Conduct and Mediation at 541-737-3656.

OAR 576-015-0020 (2) Academic or Scholarly Dishonesty:

a) Academic or Scholarly Dishonesty is defined as an act of deception in which a Student seeks to claim credit for the work or effort of another person, or uses unauthorized materials or fabricated information in any academic work or research, either through the Student's own efforts or the efforts of another.

b) It includes:
   i) CHEATING - use or attempted use of unauthorized materials, information or study aids, or an act of deceit by which a Student attempts to misrepresent mastery of academic effort or information. This includes but is not limited to unauthorized copying or collaboration on a test or assignment, using prohibited materials and texts, any misuse of an electronic device, or using any deceptive means to gain academic credit.
   ii) FABRICATION - falsification or invention of any information including but not limited to falsifying research, inventing or exaggerating data, or listing incorrect or fictitious references.
   iii) ASSISTING - helping another commit an act of academic dishonesty. This includes but is not limited to paying or bribing someone to acquire a test or assignment, changing someone's grades or academic records, taking a test/doing an assignment for someone else by any means, including misuse of an electronic device. It is a violation of Oregon state law to create and offer to sell part or all of an educational assignment to another person (ORS 165.114).
   iv) TAMPERING - altering or interfering with evaluation instruments or documents.
   v) PLAGIARISM - representing the words or ideas of another person or presenting someone else's words, ideas, artistry or data as one's own, or using one's own previously submitted work. Plagiarism includes but is not limited to copying another
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person's work (including unpublished material) without appropriate referencing, presenting someone else's opinions and theories as one's own, or working jointly on a project and then submitting it as one's own.

c) Academic Dishonesty cases are handled initially by the academic units, following the process outlined in the University's Academic Dishonesty Report Form, and will also be referred to SCCS for action under these rules.

Tutoring

NetTutor is a leading provider of online tutoring and learner support services fully staffed by experienced, trained and monitored tutors. Students connect to live tutors from any computer that has Internet access. NetTutor provides a virtual whiteboard that allows tutors and students to work on problems in a real time environment. They also have an online writing lab where tutors critique and return essays within 24 to 48 hours. Access NetTutor from within your Canvas class by clicking on the Tools button in your course menu.

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