Course specification

(4104 Computer Security)

Faculty:	HICIT- Higher Institute for Computers & Information Technology-El Shorouk Academy							
Programme(s) on which the course is given:	Under graduate program in Computer Science						
Major or min	nor element of programme:	Compulsory						
Department	offering the programme	Department of Computer Science						
Department offering the course:		Department of Computer Science						
Year / Class		4 th Year – 1 st semester						
Date of specification approval		1/8/2022						

A- Basic Information

Title: Computer Security	Code: 4104							
Weekly Hours:								
Lecture: 3	Exercise: -	Practical :3	Total: 6					

B- Professional Information

1- Course Aims:

- The objective of CS4104 is to survey the fundamentals of computer security systems to give the student the knowledge and practice of how to secure various components of the computer system.
- After completing this course, the student should be able to identify the various threats to the computer system and information exchanged over the network, and how to counter them, to be aware of various cryptosystems.

2- Program ILOs Covered by Course

Program Intended Learning Outcomes										
Knowledge and understanding	Professional and practical skills	General and Transferable skills								
A10, A18, A19	B1, B2, B16	C6, C9	D5, D8							

3- Intended learning outcomes of course (ILOs)

a. Knowledge and Under-Standing:

- a1. Explain the definition of the various threats, security services, and protection techniques over the exchanged information [A10, A18].
- a2. Clarify the definition of the symmetric-key cryptosystems, asymmetric-key cryptosystems, and hybrid cryptosystems [A18, A19]

b. Intellectual Skills:

- b1. Evaluate the computer assets and define security requirements [B1, B16]
- b2. Think over the security problems and schemes in various cryptosystems (symmetric-key cryptosystems, asymmetric-key cryptosystems, and hybrid cryptosystems) [B2, B16]

c- Professional and practical skills

- c1. Specify basic security issues [C6]
- c2. Apply countermeasures for information exchange threats [C6, C9]

d- General and transferable skills

- d1. Work effectively as an individual and as a member of a team [D5, D8].
- d2. Write Structural Report [D5].

4- Contents

Topic	Hours	Lec.	Exc/Lab
Introduction to computer security/database /program /O.S.,	12	6	6
network, and physical security.			
Security threats, protection services, and protection	18	9	9
mechanisms.			
Symmetric-key Cryptosystems: Classical techniques/ Modern	18	9	9
techniques			
Public-key Cryptosystems	12	6	6
Hybrid Cryptosystems	15	6	9
Selected topic	3	3	

5- Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods	Used
Active Learning	
Lectures	√
Tutorial Exercises (online learning)	V
Practical Lab (blending learning- online learning)	$\sqrt{}$
Exercises	$\sqrt{}$
Discussions.	$\sqrt{}$
Self – Learning strategy	
Reading material	V
Websites search	V
Research and reporting	$\sqrt{}$

Self-studies	V
Experimental strategy	
Group work	-
Presentation	-
Problem-solving strategy	
Problem-solving/problem-solving learning based	
Case study	-
Synchronous E-Learning	
Virtual lab	-
Virtual class	-
Chat Room	-
Video lectures	-
Asynchronous E-Learning	
E-Learning	$\sqrt{}$

6- Student assessment methods

Methods	Assessment	Used
Electronic Midterm Exam	To assess the knowledge and understanding achieved by the student during the previous weeks. (Online on e-learning hub)	V
Pencil-to-Paper Final Exam	To evaluate what the student gain at the end of the course, and to assess: the knowledge and understanding, general skills, and intellectual skills.	V
Course Project	To allow students to work in teams, and to evaluate knowledge, understanding, intellectual, and transferable skills. (Online on e-learning hub, FTF)	
Electronic Course Work & Quizzes To keep the student always in the course, and to evaluate knowledge, understanding, intellectual, and transferable skills. (Online on e-learning hub)		√
Practical Exam to measure the ability of students to design and implement a software program (FTF).		
Participation	To assess the knowledge and understanding achieved by the student during the previous weeks.	√

Assessment Schedule

Assessment	Week#
Participation	3-14
Electronic Mid-Term Exam	8
Final Exam	16
Electronic/ hard copy Course	2-14
Work & Quizzes	
Practical Exam	

Assessment Weight

Assessment	Weight %
Participation	10%
Electronic Mid-Term Exam	10 70
Final Exam	80%
Electronic/ hard copy Course	10%
Work & Quizzes	
Total	100

- Course Work &Quizzes:

- o Short Exams, Assignments, Research, Reports, and Presentations on the e-learning hub
- o Class/Project discussion in a virtual classroom

6 -List of references

Essential books (textbooks)	• Stallings, W. (2022, June 6). Cryptography and Network Security: Principles and Practice, Global Ed. Pearson.
Course notes	 [https://ocw.mit.edu/courses/6-858-computer-systems-security-fall-2014/pages/lecture-notes/] [https://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs161/fa05/]
Recommended books	 Steinberg, J. (2022, March 21). Cybersecurity for Dummies. For Dummies. Sims, S., Baucom, M., Tejeda, H., Fernandez, D., Frost, M., Harper, A., & Linn, R. (2022, March 9). Gray Hat Hacking: the Ethical Hacker's Handbook, Sixth Edition Sci. (2021, February 9). This Is How They Tell Me the World Ends: the Cyberweapons Arms Race: 6x9 Inches, 120 Simple Ruled Pages Reader's Notebook
Periodicals, website	PowerPoint presentations of all course materials All labs material [https://moodle.sha.edu.eg/course/view.php?id=1371]

7- Required Facilities

To assess professional and practical skills given the following facilities:

- a. Tools & SW (Technologies facilities):
 - CrypTool 2.1 (Stable Build 8186.5)
 - Microsoft TEAMS to create virtual classrooms for lectures, discussions for project

- portal (MOODLE) to make electronic quizzes and electronic midterm exam
- portal (MOODLE) to upload project deliverables and assignment
- academy portal (MOODLE) to upload electronic material

b. Teaching facilities:

	Lecture	class	Lab
Whiteboard	used	-	used
Pc/laptop	used	-	used
Data show	used	-	used
Webinars	MS TEAMS	-	MS TEAMS
SocialMedia		-	Facebook Page for 4 th year
ChatRoom	ChatTeams	-	ChatTeams
Videos	Stream-MOODLE	-	Stream-MOODLE
Website	MOODLE	-	MOODLE

8- Course Matrices

8.1- Course Content/ILO Matrix

Course Contents		Knowledge & understanding				Intellectual skills			Professional and practical skills				General				
		a2	a3	a4	b1	b2	b3	b4	c1	c2	c3	c4	d1	d2	d3	d4	d5
Introduction to computer security/database /program /O.S., network, and physical security.	Х				X				X	X							
Security threats, protection services, and protection mechanisms.	X				X				X	X							
Symmetric-key Cryptosystems: Classical techniques/ Modern techniques		X			X	X			X	X							
Public-key Cryptosystems		X			X	X			X	X							
Hybrid Cryptosystems		X			X	X			X	X							
Selected topic				X	X	X	X	X									-

8.2- Learning Method /ILOs Matrix

Looming Mothods		Knowledge and understanding					Intellectual skills				Professional and practical skills				General			
Learning Methods	a1	a2	a3	a4	b1	b2	b3	b4	c1	c2	c3	c4	d1	d2	d3	d4		
Lectures	X	X			X	X			X	X								
Tutorial Exercises					X	X			X	X								
Reading material	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X										
Websites search		X	X	X	X	X	X	X										
Research and reporting	X	X	X	X														
Problem-solving/problem-solving learning based							X	X										

Self-study	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X				
Presentations													
Practical Lab					X	X	X	X					
Discussions.					X	X		X	X		X	X	

8.3 Assessment Methods /ILOs Matrix

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Assessment Methods	a1	a2	a3	a4	b1	b2	b3	b4	c1	c2	c3	c4	d1	d2	d3	d4	d5
Electronic Mid-Term	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X									
Exam																	
Final Exam	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X									
Electronic Course Work	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
&Quizzes																	

9. Course ILOs Vs Program ILOs

Course ILO	Prog ILOs		nowledge derstand		Intel	lectual		Profess and pra skills		General	
		A10	A18	A19	B1	B2	B16	C6	C9	D5	D8
K&U	a1		√								
	a2										
Int.	b1										
	b2										
P. &P.	c1							V			
	c2										
General	d1									V	$\sqrt{}$
	d2									$\sqrt{}$	

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