



COURSE SPECIFICATION

(COMPUTER NETWORKS-1)

Programme(s) on which the course is given	CS and IT
Major or Minor element of programs	Major
Department offering the program	Computer Science
Department offering the course	Computer Science
Academic year / Level	3 rd Year / 1 st Semester

A- Basic Information

Title	Computer Networks-1			Code	CS361	
Credit Hours	Lecture	3	Tutorial	1	Practical	2
	Total				6	

B- Professional Information

1- Overall aims of course

- Understand Internet architecture and its layers
- Understand the fundamental concepts of computer network
- Understand the OSI and TCP/IP models

2- Intended learning outcomes of course (ILOs)

a- Knowledge and understanding

- a3** Demonstrate a grasp of the principles of computer systems, including architecture, networks and communication
- a4** Know and understand the fundamental concepts, principles and theories of computing and computer science covering topics such as algorithms, operating system, programming languages and artificial intelligence.

b- Intellectual skills

- b1** Solve a wide range of problems related to the analysis, design and construction of computer systems
- b4** Solve computer science problems with pressing commercial or industrial constraints.
- b5** Integrate and evaluate information and data from a variety of

sources.

b7 Work with and model computer systems at different and appropriate levels of abstraction.

c- Professional and practical skills

c1 Plan and undertake a major individual project.

c3 Give technical presentations suitable for the time, place and audience.

c6 Use appropriate computer-based design support tools

c7 Apply computer science skills in a commercial or industrial environment.

d- General and transferable skills

d3 Work effectively with and for others.

d4 Strike the balance between self-reliance and seeking help when necessary in new situations.

3- Contents

Topic	No. of Hours	Lecture	Tutorial /Practical
1 Computer Network Basics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basics of Computer Hardware• Basics of Computer Software• Basic Networking Terminology	3	3	3
2 The OSI Model <ul style="list-style-type: none">• General Model of Communication• The OSI Reference Model• Comparison of the OSI Model and the TCP/IP Model	6	6	12
3 Local Area Networks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction• Topology• Network Devices	3	3	6
4 Layer 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electricity Basics• Media• Cable Specification and Termination• Making and Testing Cable• Collisions and Collision Domains	6	6	12
5 Layer 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LANs and the Data Link Layer• MAC Addressing• Token Ring Basics• Layer 2 Devices	6	6	12
6 Data Transmission <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concepts and Terminology• Analog and Digital Data Transmission• Transmission Impairments• Channel Capacity	6	6	12
7 Data Encoding Techniques <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Digital Data, Digital Signals• Encoding Schemes• Digital Data, Analog Signals• Modulation Techniques	6	6	12

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analog Data, Digital Signals • Analog Data, Analog Signals 			
8 Data Link Control <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flow Control • Error Detection • Error Control • Frame Structure • HDLC Operation 	6	6	12
Total number of Hours for the course	84	42	42

4- Teaching and learning methods

- 4.1 Information collection
- 4.2 Research assignment
- 4.3 Lecture
- 4.4 Class activities
- 4.5 Practical training / lab
- 4.6 Case study

5- Student assessment methods

5-a Methods

- 5.a.1 Reports, assignments, and exercises to assess knowledge and understanding.
- 5.a.2 Regular oral, practical and written quizzes to assess intellectual skills.
- 5.a.3 Practical projects, final practical and oral exams to assess professional skills.
- 5.a.4 Reports, assignments, and discussions to assess general and transferable skills.
- 5.a.5 Final written exam to assess knowledge and understanding.

5-b Assessment schedule

Assessment 1	5 th week.	Mid term exam
Assessment 2	8 th week.	
Assessment 3	10 th week.	
Assessment 4	16 th week (Oral and practical)	
Assessment 5	17 th -18 th weeks (final written exam)	

5-c Weighting of assessments

Semester work	10%
Mid-term examination	10%
Oral / Practical examination.	20%
Final-term examination	60%
Total	100%

6- List of references

6-a Course notes

There are lectures notes prepared in the form of a book authorized by the department

6-b Essential books (text books)

None

6-c Recommended books

[1] Gallo Michael A, Computer Communications and Networking Technologies, 2002

[2] Heap Gary, CCNA Practical Studies, 2002

[3] A book prepared and edited by the lecturer, and approved by the department council

6-d Periodicals, Web sites, ... etc

IEEE transactions on Networks

7- Facilities required for teaching and learning

- Networks laboratory.
- Datashow, screen, and laptop computer.

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