

El Paso Community College
Syllabus
Part II
Official Course Description

SUBJECT AREA	Information Technology Systems
COURSE RUBRIC AND NUMBER	ITSY 2300
COURSE TITLE	Operating System Security
COURSE CREDIT HOURS	3 3 : 1
	Credits Lec Lab

I. Catalog Description

Provides instruction in how to safeguard computer operating systems by demonstrating server support skills and designing and implementing a security system. Identifies security threats and monitor network security implementations. Uses best practices to configure operating systems to industry security standards.
Prerequisite: ITSC 1301. (3:1).

II. Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Describe network security risks
- B. Identify proper security design
- C. Discuss monitoring solutions
- D. Identify sources of computer threats
- E. Evaluate potential practices to protect network systems
- F. Evaluate tools to protect network systems
- G. Evaluate technologies to protect individual network systems
- H. Establish an operating system security plan
- I. Utilize system and application security tools
- J. Implement procedures to secure network systems
- K. Monitor and evaluate audit logs
- L. Set system administrator alerts
- M. Develop an organizational operating system security plan
- N. Evaluate security policies and procedures
- O. Establish users lists
- P. Install software updates and patches

III. THECB Learning Outcomes (WECM)

- 1. Identify network security risks, security design, and monitoring solutions.
- 2. Identify sources of computer threats, evaluate potential practices, tools, and technologies to protect individual network systems.
- 3. Establish and sustain an operating system security plan utilizing systems and application security tools.
- 4. Implement procedures to secure and monitor audit logs and set system administrator alerts.
- 5. Develop an organizational operating system security plan that provides for periodic reviews of security policies, procedures, authorized users list, and software update patches.

IV. Evaluation

- Six exams will contribute 35% to the final grade.
- Eight assignments and eight quizzes will contribute 25 % to the final grade.
- A comprehensive final exam will contribute 40% to the final grade.

The final grade will be based on the percentage of total points earned:

Percentage	Letter Grade
90 – 100	A
80 – 89.99	B
70 – 79.99	C
60 – 69.99	D
0 – 59.99	F

V. Disability Statement (American with/Disabilities Act [ADA])

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VI. 6 Drop Rule

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