CSCI 534 Networking II - Routers and Switches   Spring 2015

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Textbook: Materials for the major topics for this course are presented in Class Notes, which will be
provided to students free of charge.
Supplemental reading: On reserve in the Library
Data Communications, Computer Networks, and Open Systems. Fred Halsall. Addison-Wesley, Menlo
Park, Calif.
Cisco Certified Network Associate Study Guide 4th Ed. by Todd Lammie. Sybex

This course is a continuation of CSCI 525 (Networking I, Local Area Networks). This course is
designed to instruct students in the detailed operation of the Cisco 2500 series router and the 1900 series
data switch. Students will learn how to program and configure network routers and data switches.
Laboratory exercises will be provided. Also, such common network security techniques as Virtual
Local Area Networks (VLANs) and Access Control Lists will be presented along with other network
security topics. Students will have the opportunity to work with equipment in the laboratory as they
learn to design and configure network devices in the implementation lab exercises. . During this class,
the student will receive over 45 contact hours, which is the usual number of contact hours for a 3
semester hour course. While a portion of these contact hours will be in the form of lecture, the course is
designed to be a laboratory course with about 45% of these contact hours in the form of individualized
instruction in the Router/Switch lab. The schedule below alternates between lectures and lab. It is
therefore important to keep up with the current schedule and to know when and where you need to be.

LABS: The formal class schedule is W 12:30 PM - 3:10 PM. However, Labs will be scheduled in 4-5
hour blocks at various times in the weeks when there is no lecture. There will be approximately 3-5 lab
sections with 10-14 students each. Multiple lab sections are provided to so students can easily fit a lab
into their schedule. The student may sign up for any lab that meets his or her schedule. However, the
students cannot transfer from one lab to another. Once a student signs up for a lab, this will be their
permanent lab time for the entire semester. The approximate schedule for lecture and labs are listed
below. However, this schedule may be adjusted as the semester progresses.

Grade Determination:
Test #1   20%
Test #2   20%
Test #3   20%
Lab Grade 10%
Final Exam 30%
Extra Points from Pop quizzes may be added to the Test scores. To enhance the importance of the Final
Exam, and to encourage improvement in performance over the semester, 10 points will be added to a Final
Exam score of 77 or better. Five (5) points will be deducted from the student's final average for each

unexcused absence from lecture. Five (5) points will be deducted from the student's final average for each unexcused absence from the lab. If any student has 3 or more unexcused absences they may be dropped from the class. The claim of illness must be accompanied with a Doctor's written note and will be reviewed by the Assistant Dean. (See Student Handbook).

Student Learning Outcomes:
1) Students will demonstrate the ability to design and configure a router network.
2) Students will demonstrate the ability to design and configure a switched network and VLANs.
3) Students will demonstrate the ability to utilize Access Control List in configuring a router for ACLs.
4) Students will demonstrate knowledge of the basic concepts of Wide Area Networks and WAN components, and integrate the knowledge of subnets, routers, switches, VLANs, ACLs and WANs, into an understanding of modern digital computer networks.
5) Students will gain practical laboratory experience working with routers and switches in a modern network.

WEEK 1 **January 21 Lecture:**
Class Lecture and Lab Organization
Review subnetting; Classful/Classless; IP subnetting; CIDR; VLSM
Review IEEE 802.3 and IEEE 802.5 and how Routers and Switches enhanced Ethernet.

WEEK 2 **January 28**
Routing protocols, routed protocols, Distance-vector protocols, Link -State Protocols.
Configuring the Cisco Router; Cabling considerations.

WEEK 3 **of February 2 LAB:**
LAB #1: Making Cables, Configuration of the Cisco Series 2500 Router

WEEK 4 **of February 9 LAB:**
LAB #2 More of Router Configuration; LAB TEST: Router Configuration

WEEK 5 **February 18 Lecture:**
EXAM #1 - Routing Protocols; Router Configuration

WEEK 6 **February 25 Lecture:**
Ch. 7 Communications Switches
    Spanning Tree Protocols and associated terms; Configuring a switch.

WEEK 7 **March 4 Lecture:**
Review Configuration of Communications Switch; Virtual Local Area Networks (VLANs).

WEEK 8 **of March 9 LAB:**
LAB#3: Configuration of Switches; Configuration of VLANs.

WEEK 9 **March 18 Spring Break**

WEEK 10 **March 25 Lecture:**
EXAM #2 - Switches, VLANs

WEEK 11 **April 1 Lecture:**
Standard and Extended Access Control Lists ACLs

WEEK 12 **of April 6 LAB:**
LAB#4: ACL's

WEEK 13 **April 15 Lecture:**
EXAM#3 ACLs

WEEK 14 **April 22 Lecture:**
 Wide Area Networks (WANs); Course Review

WEEK 15 **of April 27 Lab:**
LAB#5: **Semester Project LAB** (Review of lab work)

WEEK 16 **May 6 Free Lab / Lecture**

WEEK 17 **May 13 Final Exam**

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Texas A&M University-Commerce
Halladay Student Services Building
Room 303 A/D
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835
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