

Course & Section Code:	OPS345V1A
Course Name:	Open System Application Server
Course Start & End Dates:	Start Date: May 17, 2023, End Date: August 16, 2023
Learning Mode:	Online Synchronous (OS) For a full description, visit the <a href="#">Learning Modes page</a>
Q&A / Virtual Office Hour:	6:30 PM – 9:30 PM via Cisco Webex
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Welcome to OPS345. Please review this addendum to the general course outline carefully. It is your guide to the course and provides a weekly breakdown of the work, readings and evaluations required. I look forward to working with you!

## Course Outline (Full course outline available [here](#))

### Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs):

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

Configure the operating system on a device to allow it to perform routing functions on a network.

1. Install software to provide end-users with access to commonly used networking services.
2. Configure various client/server software packages to provide file-sharing and interoperability between various platforms.
3. Diagnose malfunctions with computers and the network to ensure the maximum availability of network services.
4. Implement data/device recovery policies to ensure minimal network downtime and data loss.
5. Configure authentication and logging services to ensure secure access to a network and provide network monitoring

### Prescribed Text:

Title: Unix and Linux System Administration Handbook - 5th Edition

Author: Nemeth, Snyder & Hein

Publisher: Addison-Wesley Professional PTG

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ISBN-13: 9780134277554

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<b>Modes of Evaluation:</b>	1.	Labs: (10 @ 3% each)	.....	30%
	2.	Assignments	.....	20%
	3.	Midterm Test	.....	25%
	4.	Final Exam	.....	25%

## Weekly Schedule (Subject to Change)

Week & Date	Synchronous Class Time and Platform	Synchronous Topics and Activities	Asynchronous Activities, Readings and Deadlines	Related Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs)
1 May 17, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Introduction to OPS345:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>outline, policies, email</li> <li>labs, assignments, midterm, exam</li> </ul>	Prep Lab: CentOS Installation	
2 May 24, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Basic Networking &amp; Backups:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ifconfig &amp; route vs ip; resolv.conf, hostnamectl</li> <li>/etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/</li> <li>Network connection troubleshooting</li> <li>SSH &amp; SSH Keys</li> <li>rsync &amp; cron</li> </ul>	Lab 1: Network/Backup	1, 3, 4
3 May 31, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Packet Filtering Using iptables:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is Packet Filtering</li> <li>iptables Basics (Tables, Chains, Targets)</li> <li>iptables Commands &amp; Options</li> <li>iptables Command Examples</li> <li>Saving iptables Settings</li> </ul>	Lab 2: Packet Filtering Using iptables	1, 3, 5
4 June 07, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>NAT / iptables Best Practices</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Network Address Translation (NAT Table - iptables)</li> <li>Debugging firewall problems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Troubleshooting Procedures</li> <li>Troubleshooting Tools</li> <li>Troubleshooting Exercises</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lab 3: Additional iptables Troubleshooting	1, 5
5 June 14, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Domain Name System (DNS):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Address resolution mechanism (zone definitions)</li> <li>DNS server setup</li> <li>Querying Name Servers</li> <li>Reverse DNS lookups</li> </ul> <b>Performing DNS Queries</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SOA, MX, TXT records</li> <li>Coordinating multiple servers</li> </ul> <b>OPS345 - Assignment 1 released – 10%</b>	Lab 4: DNS	1, 3

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6 June 21, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Mail Servers - SMTP</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mail Server Elements (MSA/MTA, MUA, MDA, MS, AA, SMTP)</li> <li>Install and using mailx application (MUA)</li> <li>Analyze Email Message Headers</li> <li>Setup Postfix Server (no encryption)</li> <li>Sending Email from VM to external Mail Account</li> <li>Troubleshooting</li> </ul>	Lab 5: Simple Mail Server Setup	1, 3
7 June 28, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	Evaluation: <b>Midterm Test – 25%</b>		
8 July 05, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Using a Centralized Message Store (IMAP)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specifying Domains for Received Email (MTA)</li> <li>Installing &amp; Configuring MDA/LDA</li> <li>Send &amp; Verify Receiving Mail on VMs</li> <li>Troubleshooting</li> </ul>	Lab 6: Mail Server Setup: LDA	1, 3
9 July 12, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>File Server (Samba):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>smbclient, smbmount (mount -t cifs)</li> <li>smb.conf, testparm, smbpasswd, pdbedit</li> <li>getsebool, setsebool</li> </ul>	Lab 7: Samba Server	1, 2, 3
10 July 19, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Web Server (Apache):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LAMP stack installation and configuration</li> </ul>	Lab 8: Web Server	1, 3
11 July 26, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>Webmail: Encrypted connections</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WebMail installation and configuration</li> <li>Setting Up a Self-Serve Certificate</li> <li>Configuring Postfix (VM2) for Encryption (TLS)</li> <li>Setting up Encryption with Thunderbird MUA</li> <li>Setting Up Dovecot MDA/LDA for Encryption (SSL)</li> </ul> <b>OPS345 - Assignment 2 released – 10%</b>	Lab 9: Encrypted connections and webmail	1, 3

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12 August 02, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	<b>OpenLDAP:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LDAP Overview</li> <li>• Client setup</li> <li>• Adding users</li> </ul>	Lab 10: OpenLDAP	1, 5
13 August 09, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	Exam Review		
14 August 16, 2023	6:30PM – 9:30PM Cisco Webex	Evaluation:  <b>FINAL EXAM – Wednesday August 16, 2023 – 25%</b>		

**\*\*\* Students must obtain a passing mark of 50% on the final exam and assignments as well as a cumulative grade of 50% or better in the subject in order to pass the class \*\*\***

## Learning Strategies for Success, Policies and Procedures

- Class Preparation:** Always come prepared to learn, by completing your weekly readings prior to each class, participating in online discussions, attending all classes and submitting any assigned work on time. Your instructor will create and post all content relating to course delivery and assessment (such as lecture notes and recordings, assignments and rubrics/evaluation schemes, reading materials, etc.) in advance of the scheduled synchronous activity, to provide students with adequate time to prepare.
- Attendance:** It is important that students attend all classes and/or review class recordings for increased understanding and best course outcomes. As courtesy/consideration for others, plan to arrive on time as late arrivals are disruptive to the class, even in a virtual learning environment.
- Blackboard Access:** Students should regularly check their course Blackboard site for recaps or highlights of past lectures, general weekly announcements about any changes and/or reminders of scheduled events upcoming in the course, and notifications regarding the availability of marks and feedback on graded assessments (My Grades).
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- Academic Support:** A variety of free academic support services are available to all Seneca students. Visit the [Learning Centres](#) for more information. Additional resources are listed below:
- [Learning Online at Seneca](#)
  - [Services for Students](#)
  - [The Learning Portal](#)
  - [Academics and Student Services](#)
- Student Accommodations:** All requests for academic accommodations will be handled by the Counseling and Accessibility Services office, which will electronically provide the academic accommodation plan to the appropriate instructor and/or designate of the program area. Faculty will arrange testing accommodations for eligible students. For more information or to request academic accommodations, visit [Counselling and Accessibility Services](#).

**Recording Lectures and Educational Activities:**

To support access to course content, lectures may be recorded with the links posted on Blackboard. These resources are intended to be used as a student study aid and are not a substitute for participation (exception may include remote students residing in another time zone).

Video recordings will primarily capture the instructor and onscreen content. Students will not be visible on video recordings unless their webcam is enabled. Voices will be captured as audio recording along with questions posted in the chat tool. Students may speak with their instructor to determine alternative means of participating if they are concerned about their voice or text being recorded.

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