

COURSE INFORMATION

1.	Name of Course	Computer Networks														
2.	Course Code	TSN2201														
3.	Type of Course (e.g. : Core, major, elective etc.)	Core														
4.	Synopsis	Computer architecture and organization addresses the fundamental principles in computer design, from the basic building blocks of number systems, data representation and digital systems to microprocessor design, memory and input/output strategies.														
5.	Version (State the date of the Senate's approval - previous and the current approval date)	Current: January 2018 Previous: June 2016														
6.	Name(s) of Academic Staff	Chan Wai Kok Khor Kok Chin Bhawani A/P S. Selvaratnam Chikkannan Eswaran														
7.	Semester and Year Offered	Trimester 2 (Beta)														
8.	Credit Value	4 credit hours														
9.	Pre-Requisite	Nil														
10.	Objective of the course in the programme: • To understand the fundamental concepts of data communications and networking in architecture, protocol, security, management LAN and WAN, • To acquire basic hands-on skills in configuring routing, switching and basic services for a medium size network															
11.	Justification for including the course in the programme: This course provides students with the knowledge required to perform basic network setup and configuration.															
12.	Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)	Domain	Level													
	CLO1: Describe the basic concepts of networking including network layers, devices, security and network management	Cognitive	2													
	CLO2: Construct various networking topology using routing and switching technologies.	Cognitive	3													
	CLO3: Analyze the operation of the TCP/IP networks including networking protocols and routing algorithms.	Cognitive	4													
13.	Mapping of the Course Learning Outcomes to the Programme Learning Outcomes, Teaching Methods and Assessment:															
	Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) (Must tally with CLOs in item 12)	Programme Learning Outcomes (PLO)												Teaching Methods	Assessment Method	
		P L O 1	P L O 2	P L O 3	P L O 4	P L O 5	P L O 6	P L O 7	P L O 8	P L O 9	P L O 10	P L O 11	P L O 12			
		✓	✓													
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	Total	2	3	4												Indicate the relevancy between the CLO and PLO by ticking "✓" the appropriate relevant box (This description must be read together with standards 2.1.2, 2.2.1, and 2.2.2 in Area 2 – pages 16 & 18 of COPPA 2.0)
14.	Transferable Skills: Critical thinking															
15.	Distribution of Student Learning Time (SLT)															
	Course Content Outline	**CLO	Teaching and Learning Activities				Guided Learning (NF2F)*	Independent Learning (NF2F)*	Total SLT							
			Guided Learning (F2F)*													
			*L	*T	*P	*O										
	1 Introduction Data Communications. Data Communication Networking. Protocols and Protocol Architecture (TCP/IP and OSI). Compare TCP/IP architecture and OSI model. Standards Organizations. IEEE, ISO.		1		2		2		3	8						
	2 Physical Layer Transmission Terminology. Frequency, Spectrum and Bandwidth. Transmission Impairments. Nyquist's and Shannon's Law. Guided and Unguided. Twisted pair. Coaxial cable. Fibre optic. Microwave. Cellular. Satellite.		2		2		4		4	12						
	3 Data Link Layer Protocol Error detection and correction: Parity check, CRC methods, HDLC protocols, Multiple Access protocols: Random access, Controlled and Channelization protocols		2		2		4		4	12						
	4 LAN Technology Wired LANs, MAC&LLC sublayers, Ethernet: standard, bridged, full – duplex, fast and gigabit Ethernet, Wireless LANs, IEEE802.11, Bluetooth: Architecture and Layers		1		2		2		3	8						

5	Network Layer IPv4 & IPv6 addressing and structure, NAT, Address mapping and error reporting protocols: ARP,DHCP,ICMP,IGMP, Routing protocols : Open Shortest Path First(OSPF), RIP (Routing Information Protocol)(RIP), Border gateway(BGP)			3		3		12		6		24		
6	Transport Layer Process-to-Process delivery, Connectionless vs connection-oriented service UDP, User Datagram Format,UDPoperation, TCP,TCP Segment Format,TCP connection, Flow control			1		2		2		3		8		
7	Application Layer DNS, Email, FTP, Telnet, WWW and HTTP, Client-Server paradigm			3		2		10		5		20		
8	Congestion Control and QoS Open-loop and closed loop controls,Congestion control in TCP,QoS characteristics,Scheduling and traffic shaping techniques			1		2		2		3		8		
9	Network Management and Security Components of network management system, SNMP, Cryptography, Internet security, Network, Transport and Application layer security, Firewall			1		2		2		3		8		
Total SLT											108			
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT														
1. Continuous Assessment				Percentage %				Total SLT						
Lab Test				20%				8						
Mid Term				10%				5						
Assignments				20%				17						
Total SLT for Continuous Assessment								30						
2. Final Assessment				Percentage %				Total SLT						
Final Exam				50%				F2F		ILT				
Total SLT for Final Assessment (F2F + NF2F)								2		20				
Grand Total								100%				160		
**Indicate the CLO based on the CLO's numbering in Item 12. *L= Lecture, *T= Tutorial, *P= Practical, *O= Others, F2F*= Face to Face, NF2F*= Non Face to Face														
16 .	Identify Special Requirement to Deliver the Course (e.g., software, nursery, computer lab, simulation room): eNSP Simulator, Packet Tracer, Cisco Routers,													
17 .	Main References: B.A.Forouzan, "Data Communications and Networking" 5th Edition, McGraw-Hill 2013													
18 .	Additional References: 1. William Stallings, Data and Computer Communications. 10th edition, Prentice Hall. 2014 2. Kevin R.Fall and W.Richard Stevens, TCP/IP Illustrated, Volume 1: The Protocol. 2nd Edition. Addison-Wesley. 2012. 3. Ying-Dar Lin, Computer Networks: An Open Source Approach. McGraw-Hill Publishing. 2011 4. B.A.Forouzan, "TCP/IP protocol suite" Fourth Edition,McGraw-Hill,2010 5. Andrew S. Tanenbaum, David J. Wetherall, Computer Networks. 5th edition. Prentice-Hall. 2010													

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