

## COURSE INFORMATION

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A course designed to prepare the student to diagnose and repair personal computers and their peripherals. This course also assists the students to prepare for the A+ Certification tests. Solving hardware and software problems and troubleshooting will be emphasized. Lab fee.

Credits: 3

Pre/Corequisites:

- Prerequisite: CET 115
- Prerequisite: CET123

## CLASS INFORMATION

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Section Number: CET 260 A+ Computer Diag and Repair

Term: Fall      Year: 2024      Start Date: 8/26/2024      End Date: 12/11/2024

## INSTRUCTOR

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## TEXTBOOKS

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Test Out Pc Pro 7.0, <http://wwwnew.testout.com> ISBN: 978-1-935080-42-8

## GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Effective Communication

Criteria

- Graduates will demonstrate effective communication appropriate to audience and purpose.
- - Students will develop content, matching clarity and formality with the audience and purpose.
- - Students will refine the communication using appropriate processes and structural approaches to meet the audience's expectations/needs.
- - Students will document sources both to meet the audience's expectations and to respect the intellectual property of others.

## Critical Thinking

### Criteria

- Graduates will analyze arguments and evaluate evidence, draw conclusions, make decisions, and solve problems from a variety of perspectives.

## Personal & Cultural Engagement

### Criteria

- Graduates will engage through exploration of civic, intercultural, and ethical issues, making connections between their knowledge, choices, and actions.
- - Students are able to identify a social problem(s) impacting a defined community.
- - Students are able to evaluate the identified social problem(s) impacting the defined community through the lens of diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- - Students are able to formulate an ethical strategy of addressing the identified social problem impacting their community via civic institutions and/or the democratic process.

## PROGRAM/STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

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An ability to analyze a problem, and identify and define the computing requirements appropriate to its solution.

To understand the theoretical, practical, and ethical ramifications of computational solutions to problems, and to be aware of current research developments in computer technologies.

Students will be able to communicate technical information both orally and in writing

Students will be able to assemble, maintain and troubleshoot a computer system.

Students will be able to troubleshoot and problem solve common client networking issues.

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

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1. Construct, designate, and assemble computer components based on customer requirements
2. Install, configure and maintain devices, PCs and software for an end user
3. Understand the basics of networking and security/forensics
4. Properly and safely diagnose, resolve and document common hardware and software issues
5. Provide appropriate customer support
6. Understand the basics of virtualization, desktop imaging and deployment

## GRADING INFORMATION

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### Grading Information:

The final grade is computed from the average of tests, completion of assigned problems, and/or special assignments in the following weighted manor:

Quizzes	35%
Laboratory Assignments	40%

*Class Engagement	2.5%
Lab Practical Exam	10%
Cumulative Final Exam	12.5%
<b>Total Grade</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*The Class Engagement Evaluation will be calculated based primarily on the following factors: collaborative participation in classroom discussion and laboratories, attendance, professional work habits, cooperation with other students, etc. It is NOT the same as attendance. It includes intelligent statements and sincere questions, and clear preparation for class. Any disrespectful or disruptive behavior – including, but not limited to: sleeping, reading, side discussions, overt disruptions, harassing behaviors, playing video or other games, typing or texting during class presentations/discussions, etc. - will result in your dismissal from the class.

### KCC Institutional Grading Chart

Percentage	Grade	GPA
100.00-93.00	A	4.00
92.99-90.00	A-	3.67
89.99-87.00	B+	3.33
86.99-83.00	B	3.00
82.99-80.00	B-	2.67
79.99-77.00	C+	2.33
76.99-73.00	C	2.00
72.99-70.00	C-	1.67
69.99-67.00	D+	1.33
66.99-63.00	D	1.00
62.99-60.00	D-	0.67
59.99-0.00	F	0.00

### Additional Grades

X	Audit
I	Incomplete
W	Withdrawal
P	Pass (grade of a C or higher)
N	No Credit

\*These grades are not computed in either the semester or cumulative grade point averages.

\*\*Contact Financial Aid for more information on financial impact.

# **INSTITUTIONAL GUIDELINES AND POLICIES**

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## **Academic Support Services**

Kellogg Community College is committed to your academic success. If for any reason you are struggling with a class, speak to your Professor immediately. They are the best resource. Additional resources, including tutoring are available at the [Center for Student Success](#).

Students enter each class with various skill sets and learn course material at different paces. As such, faculty have the option of requiring individual students to seek tutoring assistance in the [Center for Student Success](#) based on academic performance. These early interventions will be tailored to the needs of each student.

## **Academic Integrity Policies**

Ethical conduct is the obligation of every member of the KCC community. Breaches of academic integrity constitute serious breaches of ethical conduct. Academic integrity requires that all academic work be wholly the product of an identified individual or individuals. This policy demonstrates KCC's concern for academic integrity and guarantees a fair procedure for handling these concerns. For more information regarding KCC's Academic Integrity Policy is found in the [KCC College Catalog](#) or [KCC Operating Policies & Procedures](#) under Instruction - Students.

## **American with Disabilities Act and Section 504**

Kellogg Community College does not discriminate in the admission or treatment of students on the basis of disability. KCC is committed to compliance with the American Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. See Student Handbook for information about student services.

## **Attendance**

Regular attendance is an essential part of the educational experience and a requirement for an adequate evaluation of each student's academic progress. Excessive absence is reported to the Academic Advising department. An Advisor will reach out to students to discuss options for success. Continued absenteeism may lead to administration action. Faculty are required to report to the Financial Aid office students who have never attended class. Federal aid may be reduced if a student does not begin attendance in all classes. This includes online courses. For more information, please refer to the KCC Student Handbook.

## **Code of Conduct**

Kellogg Community College students are expected to model the skills and behaviors of working professionals. This includes exhibiting behaviors which support respect and courtesy in the class environment. For more information regarding KCC's Student Code of Conduct, please refer to the KCC Student Handbook.

## **Disability Services**

While ensuring the academic integrity of its programs, Kellogg Community College is dedicated to providing the reasonable accommodations needed to ensure equal access to educational opportunities for individuals with verified disabilities. Disability services are provided to students who self-disclose a disability to the Center for Student Success and provide appropriate documentation. [The Center for Student Success](#) may be reached at 269.965.4150.

## **Drop/Add**

The drop/add dates for every course may be found on the [KCC Catalog - Class Schedule](#).

## **Incomplete Grade and Additional Grading Policies**

For information regarding additional grading policies, please refer to the KCC Academic Catalog.

## **Instructional Policies**

Instructional policies provide informed guidance to college faculty, staff, and students. Becoming familiar with [KCC Instructional Policies & Procedures](#) will support individual academic success and will provide students vital resources to resolve problems.

## **Retain this Syllabus & Syllabus Disclaimer**

This syllabus is a record of learning outcomes associated with this course. Many institutions will require a copy of this syllabus to grant transfer credit. It is the student's responsibility to retain a copy for future use.

Information contained in this syllabus was, to the best knowledge of the instructor, considered correct and complete when distributed for use at the beginning of the semester. However, this syllabus should not be considered a contract between Kellogg Community College and any student, nor between the instructor and any student. The instructor reserves the right, acting within the policies and procedures of Kellogg Community College, to make changes in course content or instructional techniques without notice or obligation.

### **Textbook Statement**

There are multiple choices for purchasing textbooks, including the Kellogg Community College bookstore ([www.kellogg.edu](http://www.kellogg.edu) - follow the on campus link to the bookstore). Please be advised that each student should fully investigate the refund policies of book retail stores, including the Kellogg Community College bookstore, PRIOR to purchasing a book for any course. When purchasing a book from the Kellogg Community College bookstore, students are encouraged not to break a textbook's binding, or open a book in shrink-wrap covering, prior to attending the first course session in order to verify that a correct book has been purchased. Students are advised to keep all receipts from book purchases.

Some KCC courses utilize Inclusive Access (I.A.) textbooks. This does not apply to all course sections. This applies only to course sections using digital access/inclusive access.

If students have already purchased a code for digital access from textbook publishers such as Cengage, Pearson, or McGraw-Hill, they should OPT OUT of the I.A. textbook attached to the course section (for example, a code for Cengage Unlimited). Students will be able to OPT OUT via the Moodle learning management shell associated with the course section. Students have until the drop/add date of the course section to OPT OUT. KCC will issue a refund back to the student account if the student OPTs Out during the allowed time frame. For more information, contact the course instructor.

### **Use of Technology & Student Email Accounts**

The College has a variety of computer systems which are provided for the use of students and are to be used for education, research, academic development, and public service only. You are responsible for seeing that the computing facilities are used in an effective, efficient, ethical, and lawful manner. Computer systems, such as e-mail, are intended for college related activities only. Inappropriate messages and/or materials are not to be sent or stored. For more information, visit the KCC web page at: [www.kellogg.edu](http://www.kellogg.edu).

### **Safe and Successful Campus Environment**

KCC is dedicated to providing a safe environment which is conducive to success for all students. When faculty and staff notice that a student is struggling emotionally, intellectually, or behaviorally with classroom expectations, they may notify the appropriate College personnel to intervene; in such cases, students may be contacted by College personnel who will offer support and assistance.

If you have a safety concern(s) about others' behavior in class or on campus, please report those concerns online at [Report an Incident](#). KCC Public Safety is located in the walkway across from the Ohm building or by notifying Public Safety by using one of the yellow emergency call boxes on campus, or calling 269.965.4147.

KCC does not tolerate sexual harassment or sexual misconduct of any kind and is legally obligated to investigate such concerns. Sexual harassment includes sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking. KCC is an equal opportunity educator and employer, and does not discriminate on the basis of national or ethnic origin, ethnicity, race, ancestry, color, sex (sex or gender, affiliation, expression or orientation), marital/family status, age, physical or mental ability or attributes, genetic information, political affiliation, veterans status, religion, or any other characteristic covered by law in its admission policy, education programs, activities, or employment policies. KCC also prohibits relation against any person participating in good faith in any investigation or complaint process internal or external to the institution; for

bringing a complaint of harassment or misconduct; for assisting someone with such a complaint; for attempting to stop harassment or misconduct. Students should report concerns at [Report an Incident](#). Learn more at [www.kellogg.edu/titleix](http://www.kellogg.edu/titleix).

**Sense of Belonging**

KCC is committed to creating a supportive environment where students, faculty, and staff feel safe and included; have a voice; and can learn, grow, and achieve success without barriers.

**Service Learning**

Incoming students enrolled in any degree seeking program will be required to complete a service-learning endorsement to qualify for graduation. KCC instructors must be Service-Learning Certified in order to offer it as an option in their course section. If this section is offering service-learning opportunities, the instructor will provide further details about how to pursue service-learning in this course.

**STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

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- Identify all parts of a Computer
- Discuss the functions and interactions of all Computer subsystems
- Identify and troubleshoot common Computer hardware/software problems
- Select quality computers and constituent components based on performance and cost
- Install, replace, and upgrade Computer hardware components
- Install and troubleshoot Computer peripherals such as printers and modems
- Show competency in answering simulated A+ Test questions
- Best practices in proper customer support

**KCC - GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE**

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This course is considered a General Education course. For more information, please see the Kellogg Community College catalog under ‘Instructional Information – General Education.

**EARLY COLLEGE/ DUAL ENROLLMENT STATEMENT**

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During times when the student’s high school is closed while KCC is open, the responsibilities of and expectations for the dual enrolled student are the same as those of any college student. Students are expected to attend class, turn in assignments on time, and participate in scheduled assessments.

For closures scheduled on the high school calendar, students should contact their college professor as soon as possible if they are unable to attend. Some professors may be able to make adjustments to mitigate the impact of schedule conflicts, but faculty must follow course policies outlined in the syllabus, in order to treat all students equitably. For unscheduled closures, such as adverse weather days when the college remains open, or times when the student unexpectedly needs to be absent, the student should contact the college professor as soon as possible to ask if alternate arrangements can be made.

**SCHEDULE**

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Date/Session	Notes
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	<p>Week 1 - Introduction to Course and TestOut LabSims</p> <p>Week 2 - Computer Fundamentals</p> <p>Week 3 - PC Technician Behavior and Conduct</p> <p>Week 4 - Hardware Support</p> <p>Week 5 - Introduction to Operating Systems and Storage</p> <p>Week 6 - Operating Systems Installation</p> <p>Week 7 - Operating System Management I</p> <p>Week 8 - Operating System Management II</p> <p>Week 9 - File Management and Peripherals</p> <p>Week 10 - Networking</p> <p>Week 11 - Printers and Mobile Device</p> <p>Week 12 - Security</p> <p>Week 13 - Capstone Exercises</p> <p>Week 14 - Capstone Exercises</p> <p>Week 15 - Review and Exam Prep</p> <p>Week 16 - Final Exam</p>