

DIGITAL LITERACY FOR BEGINNERS

Course Outline

Brief Course Description

This course provides a comprehensive introduction to computer fundamentals for college students. Topics include computer systems, software tools, internet usage, email communication, cybersecurity awareness, data privacy protection, and basic problem-solving techniques. Students will gain practical skills and knowledge essential for academic and professional use of computer technology.

Course Prerequisites

None

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course the successful student will have reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- Identify the basic components of a personal computer
- Power on and begin to use a personal computer
- Identify the various tools that are required for a college student to use on a personal computer
- Connect to the internet
- Understand basic cybersecurity at college student level including creating, storing, and using passwords in a safe manner that respects data privacy.
- Sending and receiving email.
- Troubleshoot basic computer problems faced by users on a day-to-day basis.

REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS

Computer with Windows 11 operating system and internet connection

COURSE DURATION

10 hours

HOMEWORK DURATION

4 hours of homework, not required to complete the course, but advisable to improve their understanding of the material.

DELIVERY METHODS

Combined Synchronous delivery (both in-class and distance)

TEACHING METHODS

Instructor-led lectures combined with live streaming, along with hands on exercises.

METHODS OF STUDENT **EVALUATION**

At the end of each lesson segments, students will be given a quiz and/or project to evaluate their knowledge and understanding of the material.

A course-end project and a final exam is given at the end of the course to evaluate student's comprehensive understanding of the entire course.

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

To complete the course, students must score at least 75% on their final course grade

