**Case Study ID: CSN-2024-001**

**1. Title**

**Design and Implementation of a University Campus Network**

**2. Introduction**

* Overview

This case study focuses on the design, implementation, and analysis of a comprehensive network infrastructure for a university campus. The goal is to create a network that supports seamless communication, data sharing, and internet access for students, faculty, and administrative staff across multiple buildings and locations.

* Objective

The primary objective is to develop a reliable, scalable, and secure campus-wide network that caters to the academic and administrative needs of the university while ensuring high-speed connectivity and security.

**3. Background**

* Organization/System /Description

The university serves approximately 10,000 students, 500 faculty members, and 200 administrative personnel. The campus is spread across five academic buildings, two libraries, and several residential halls. It includes facilities such as computer labs, lecture halls, and administrative offices, each with different networking requirements.

* Current Network Setup

The current network setup is decentralized, with individual buildings operating independent networks. Connectivity is often slow and inconsistent, with minimal security features and no centralized management.

**4. Problem Statement**

* Challenges Faced

 Inconsistent and slow internet speeds across the campus

 Lack of centralized network management

 Limited Wi-Fi coverage, especially in outdoor areas

 Security vulnerabilities due to outdated protocols and lack of encryption

 Difficulty in managing network devices and monitoring performance

**5. Proposed Solutions**

* Approach

The proposed solution is to implement a unified, campus-wide network infrastructure based on a hierarchical model. The core network will connect all buildings, with distribution and access layers for optimized performance. Wi-Fi coverage will be extended to outdoor areas, and network security will be strengthened using modern encryption and firewalls.

* Technologies/Protocols Used

 **Wired Backbone:** Fiber-optic cables to connect buildings

 **Wireless Network:** IEEE 802.11ax (Wi-Fi 6) for high-speed wireless access

 **Routing Protocols:** OSPF (Open Shortest Path First) for dynamic routing

 **Switching:** VLAN (Virtual LAN) for segmenting traffic

 **Security:** WPA3 encryption, firewalls, and intrusion detection systems (IDS)

**6. Implementation**

* Process

 Conduct site surveys to determine coverage needs and assess current network issues

 Install fiber-optic cabling between core buildings for a high-speed backbone

 Deploy new wireless access points across the campus using Wi-Fi 6 technology

 Configure routers and switches for dynamic routing and VLAN segmentation

 Implement security protocols, including WPA3, firewalls, and IDS

* Implementation

The implementation was divided into three phases:

**Phase 1:** Core network setup (3 months)

**Phase 2:** Wireless network installation (2 months)

**Phase 3:** Security integration and testing (1 month)

* Timeline

Total implementation time: 6 months

**7. Results and Analysis**

* Outcomes

 Improved network performance with a significant increase in data transmission speed

 Seamless wireless coverage across the campus, including outdoor spaces

 Enhanced security measures, reducing the risk of cyberattacks

 Centralized network management for easier monitoring and troubleshooting

* Analysis

The new network architecture has successfully addressed the performance and security challenges of the previous setup. Data transfer rates have increased by 50%, and network downtime has been reduced by 90%. The university now benefits from a more reliable, secure, and scalable infrastructure.

**8. Security Integration**

* Security Measures

**Security Measures**

**WPA3 Encryption:** Protects wireless communication against unauthorized access

**Firewall Deployment:** Secures network borders and monitors traffic

**Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS):** Monitors the network for suspicious activity

**Network Segmentation:** VLANs separate academic, administrative, and public traffic for better control

**9. Conclusion**

* Summary

The implementation of a new campus network has provided the university with a robust, high-speed, and secure infrastructure. By centralizing network management, extending Wi-Fi coverage, and adopting modern security protocols, the university has improved overall network efficiency and user satisfaction.

* Recommendations

 Continuous monitoring and periodic audits to ensure network performance

 Regular updates to security protocols to protect against emerging threats

 Expansion of network capabilities as the campus grows

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