



# CSC470: Incident Response

Credit Hours: 4.0

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## **Course Description**

Blended - Online & Classroom.

This is a hands-on virtual lab course. The course consists of labs utilizing real workplace scenarios. Learn how digital forensic professionals focus on collecting and analyzing data from computer systems to track user-based activity that could be used internally or in civil/criminal litigation.

Course topics include methods for analyzing digital crime, tool kits that can be taken to the scenes of computer-related crime, forensic analysis and solutions for other types of digital media such as USB memory and Palm devices. Restricted to graduating students required to take an on campus course.

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## **Course Objectives/Learning Outcomes**

- Understand the process of responding to a network intrusion
- Explain the different types of network-based evidence
- Compare open-source tools with industry standard commercial software
- Identify what computer forensics tools and techniques can reveal and recover
- Describe the basic steps in a network-based intrusion
- Understand some common forensic analysis techniques
- Learn how to reconstruct basic web browsing activity
- Learn how to reconstruct e-mail activity
- Conduct a forensic recovery of electronic media
- Report the results of a forensic examination

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## **Course Content**

The following topics are a guideline only and are subject to change.

### **Topics**

- Chapter 1: Windows Live Response
- Chapter 3: Collecting Network-Based Evidence
- Chapter 4: Analyzing Network-Based Evidence
- Chapter 6,7,8: Acquiring a Forensic Duplication
- Chapter 9: Common Forensic Analysis Techniques
- Chapter 10: Web Browsing Activity Reconstruction
- Chapter 11: E-Mail Activity Reconstruction
- Chapter 12: Windows Registry Reconstruction
- Chapter 19-20: Forensic Duplication and Analysis
- Chapter 21: Tracing E-Mail and Domain Name Ownership

### **Required Text**

Real Digital Forensics: *Computer Security and Incident Response*

Keith J. Jones, Richard Bejtlich, and Curtis W. Rose

Pearson Education, Inc. 2006

ISBN: 0-321-24069-3

### **Additional recommended reading:**

*Best Practices for Seizing Electronic Evidence* v.3 by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security,  
United States Secret Service (available on the course Blackboard).

### **Grading**

The final grade will be based on:

40% Chapter Quizzes

40% Laboratory Reports

10% Participation

10% Mid-Term Quiz

### **Delivery Method**

A Blackboard course space will be available for course material, quizzes, and labs. Laboratories will be performed on the UIS virtual servers using EnCase Forensic Suite by Guidance Software, Inc

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