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Course Outline for CNT 7284

INFORMATION STORAGE AND MANAGEMENT

Effective: Spring 2015

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

CNT 7284 — INFORMATION STORAGE AND MANAGEMENT — 4.00 units

Comprehensive study of storage technology in complex IT environments, with emphasis on the exam topics for the EMC Information Storage Associate Certification (EMCISA). Theory and hands-on activities of storage systems, storage networking technologies, archives, cloud computing, storage security, and managing storage infrastructure.

1.00 Units Lecture 3.00 Units Lab

Strongly Recommended

CNT 62A - Cisco Networking Academy CCNA I
with a minimum grade of C

Grading Methods:

Letter or P/NP

Discipline:

	MIN
Lecture Hours:	18.00
Lab Hours:	162.00
Total Hours:	180.00

II. NUMBER OF TIMES COURSE MAY BE TAKEN FOR CREDIT: 1

III. PREREQUISITE AND/OR ADVISORY SKILLS:

Before entering this course, it is strongly recommended that the student should be able to:

A. CNT62A

IV. MEASURABLE OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. identify, compare, and contrast major information storage architectures and technologies, and their function within the modern data center environment; identify, compare, contrast, configure, and troubleshoot storage networking technologies; plan and perform backup, replication, and archive tasks for virtualized and non-virtualized environments; describe and perform management, securing, and monitoring activities for the storage infrastructure.

V. CONTENT:

A. Introduction to information storage

1. Data center environment
2. RAID
3. Analyze protocols and performance of Network-Attached Storage

B. Intelligent Storage Systems

1. Fibre Channel Storage Area Network (FC SAN)
2. IP SAN and Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE)
3. Network attached storage (NAS)
4. Object-based and unified storage
5. iSCSI

C. Introduction to business continuity

1. Backup and archive
2. Local replication
3. Remote replication
4. Identifying security vulnerabilities
5. Securing the storage infrastructure

- D. Cloud computing
- 1. Securing the information infrastructure
- 2. Managing the information infrastructure
- 3. Securing the storage infrastructure
- 4. Managing the storage infrastructure

VI. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

- A. **Demonstration** -
- B. **Lecture** -
- C. **Lab** -
- D. **Directed Study** -

VII. TYPICAL ASSIGNMENTS:

- A. Read the textbook chapter on RAID. For a given information storage scenario, select the optimum RAID configuration and discuss the pros and cons of your selection.
- B. Log on to the NETLAB+ virtual laboratory. Configure the SAN storage for the given topology, troubleshoot, and demonstrate access to the SAN from the attached network hosts.

VIII. EVALUATION:

A. **Methods**

- 1. Exams/Tests
- 2. Quizzes
- 3. Lab Activities

B. **Frequency**

Weekly lab work

Periodic quizzes or tests

Mid Term and final exam

IX. TYPICAL TEXTS:

- 1. Education Services , EMC *Information Storage and Management*. 2 ed., Wiley, 2012.

X. OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED OF STUDENTS:

- A. Association of Computing Machinery ACM.org student membership