

**CS 6353**  
**Unix and Network Security**  
**Syllabus**

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**Class Time:** Monday, Wednesday 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm  
**Class Location:** HSS 3.04.08  
**Class Webpage:** <http://www.cs.utsa.edu/~tosun/TEACHING/CS6353SP11/index.html>  
**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday 2:00 pm- 3:30 pm

**Textbook:** No required textbook

**References:**

1. Network Security Private Communication in a Public World  
Charlie Kaufman, Radia Perlman, Mike Speciner
2. Cryptography and Network Security  
William Stallings
3. Applied Cryptography  
Bruce Schneier
4. Hackers Beware  
Eric Cole
5. Hacking Exposed: Network Security Secrets & Solutions  
Stuart McClure, Joel Scambray, George Kurtz
6. Security in Computing  
Charles Pfleeger, Shari Pfleeger

**Objectives:** In this course you will learn

1. How hackers work and the tools they use
2. Terminology, underlying concepts and principles of network security
3. How to apply cryptographic tools to networking problems
4. How to do literature search, read research paper, write research paper

**Prerequisites:** Introductory computer networks course, programming experience in C, knowledge of Unix operating system

**Grading: Based on Curve**

Homeworks: 15% 4 Homeworks, lowest one dropped  
Midterm 1: 20% Wednesday, March 2  
Midterm 2: 20% Wednesday, April 6  
Presentation: 10%  
Project: 30% Wednesday, April 27  
Attendance: 5%

**Topics:** Information Gathering about Networks  
Session Hijacking  
Buffer Overflow Attacks  
Denial of Service Attacks  
Viruses, Worms and Trojan Horses  
Firewalls  
Public Key Cryptography  
Symmetric Ciphers  
Cryptographic Hash Functions  
Digital Signatures  
IP Security  
Secure Sockets Layer  
Key Management  
IP Traceback  
Security in Sensor Networks  
Secure Routing  
Security in P2P networks  
Other topics depending on availability of time

**Project:** Form groups of 2-4 students  
Find a relevant topic on network security  
Do literature search (find related material) 5%  
Read related material and implement a prototype  
Write a 10 page report in LATEX format 20%  
Presentation of the topic to class 5%

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