CIS 5370 Spring 2021

Texas A&M University-Central Texas

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**CIS 5370 – 110, CRN 11056 - Foundations of Information Security**

/ **HLS 5370 – 110, CRN 11236 - Information Security**

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**COURSE DATES, MODALITY, AND LOCATION**

Jan 19, 2021 - May 14, 2021
This is a 100% online asynchronous course.

**Course Access**

This is a 100% online course and uses the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [https://tamuct.instructure.com/]. The course syllabus, schedule, supplemental readings, class announcements, power point slides, learning modules and other course related documents will be posted on canvas. Each student is responsible for the posted material, and should check canvas at least weekly for updates. The course outline in this syllabus shows the basic schedule for the semester. New weekly assignment instructions will be posted EACH MONDAY morning throughout the semester, and assignments and discussions and will have an associated Sunday midnight deadline.

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**INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**TAMUCT Email:** anitha.chennamaneni@tamuct.edu

**Preferred Email:** Course Canvas Site, Inbox tool.

Alternate (if Canvas is down): anitha.chennamaneni@tamuct.edu

**Office Hours:** **Monday** 11 am – 1 pm
Wednesday 11 am - 1 pm
Other days and times by appointment only

**Student-instructor interaction:** Please send all course related email correspondence through Canvas Inbox Tool. Please use TAMUCT email only when Canvas is not available. I check email several times a day during the week and at least once during the weekends. I will respond within 24 hours and within 48 hours on Saturday through Sunday. Please do not hesitate to stop by my office during the scheduled office hours or contact me via phone / Canvas Conversations Tool or TAMUCT email, if there are any personal problems or challenges that are hindering your regular progress in the course.

**WARRIOR SHIELD - Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas**
Warrior Shield is an emergency notification service that gives Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate health and safety emergency information quickly via email, text message, and social media. All students are automatically enrolled in Warrior Shield through their myCT email account.

Connect to Warrior Shield by [911Cellular](https://portal.publicsafetycloud.net/Account/Login) to change where you receive your alerts or to opt out. By staying enrolled in Warrior Shield, university officials can quickly pass on safety-related information, regardless of your location.

**COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES**

To promote public safety and protect students, faculty, and staff during the coronavirus pandemic, Texas A&M University-Central Texas has adopted policies and practices to minimize virus transmission. All members of the university community are expected to adhere to these measures to ensure their own safety and the safety of others. Students must observe the following practices while participating in face-to-face courses, course-related activities (office hours, help sessions, transitioning to and between classes, study spaces, academic services, etc.) and co-curricular programs:

- **Self-monitoring**—Students should follow CDC recommendations for self-monitoring. Students who have a fever or exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 should participate in class remotely and should not participate in face-to-face instruction. Students required to quarantine must participate in courses and course-related activities remotely and must not attend face-to-face course activities. Students should notify their instructors of the quarantine requirement. Students under quarantine are expected to participate in courses and complete graded work unless they have symptoms that are too severe to participate in course activities.

- **Face Coverings**—Face coverings must be worn inside of buildings and within 50 feet of building entrances on the A&M-Central Texas Campus. This includes lobbies, restrooms, hallways, elevators, classrooms, laboratories, conference rooms, break rooms, non-private office spaces, and other shared spaces. Face coverings are also required in
outdoor spaces where physical distancing is not maintained. The university will evaluate exceptions to this requirement on a case by case basis. Students can request an exception through the Office of Access and Inclusion in Student Affairs.

- If a student refuses to wear a face covering, the instructor should ask the student to leave and join the class remotely. If the student does not leave the class, the faculty member should report that student to the Office of Student Conduct. Additionally, the faculty member may choose to teach that day’s class remotely for all students.

- Physical Distancing—Physical distancing must be maintained between students, instructors, and others in the course and course-related activities.

- Classroom Ingress/Egress—Students must follow marked pathways for entering and exiting classrooms and other teaching spaces. Leave classrooms promptly after course activities have concluded. Do not congregate in hallways and maintain 6-foot physical distancing when waiting to enter classrooms and other instructional spaces.

- The university will notify students in the event that the COVID-19 situation necessitates changes to the course schedule or modality.

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**COURSE INFORMATION**

**Course Overview and Description**

The course covers the fundamental concepts and principles of information security management and information assurance as they affect modern business operations. Topics covered include security and risk management; business assets security; communication and network security; database security; operating systems security; identity and access control management; physical, technical and operational security measures; security policy and management; issues; trends; and the legal aspects of cyber security.

**Course Objectives**

To ensure students have an understanding of the many areas of Information/Cyber Security.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

- Describe the fundamental principles and concepts of Information Technology Security and Information Assurance
- Recognize the need for the careful design of a secure organizational information infrastructure.
• Demonstrate an understanding of security technologies
• Develop a comprehensive security model
• Explain the concepts of threat, evaluation of assets, information assets, physical, operational, and information security and how they are related.
• Evaluate network, database and operating systems security.
• Apply risk management techniques to manage risk, reduce vulnerabilities, threats, and apply appropriate safeguards/controls.
• Demonstrate an understanding of issues, current trends and legal aspects of Cyber Security
• Demonstrate an understanding of Identity and Access Control Management
• Design and guide the development of an organization’s security policy.

Required Textbook


Note: A student of this institution is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from a university-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.

• Supplementary Material: The course textbook will be supplemented with other materials including oral presentations, industry articles, videos, research paper readings, case studies, power point presentations etc.
• On-Line References TBA

Current publications - The campus library contains numerous books and periodicals relating to Computer Science. The student should take advantage of this resource by visiting the library.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

• Reading Assignments: All assigned chapters will be used as basis for class /canvas discussions. Students are expected to study the assigned readings before each class session.
• Class Participation: Students are expected to post thoughtful and comprehensive responses to the discussion questions in canvas as well as respond on a timely basis to a minimum of two classmates’ postings. Failure to do so will result in point loss. Post your initial response to the discussion topic prior to 11.59 pm Wednesday and respond to other student’s postings later in the week. Please do not be late in your postings as other students will be waiting on your post to respond to later in the week. Discussion topics, due dates
and the grading rubric specific to discussion evaluations are available in canvas and should be used as a guide when participating in discussions. It is each student’s responsibility to accumulate notes from assigned readings, supporting videos, and other sources and reference them in the postings to support one’s own arguments, add an insight to classmate’s postings and/or challenge classmates’ postings. Sources when referenced must be cited in the postings. Follow-up posts need to be meaningful and should promote in depth discussions on a topic at higher level of thinking. A mere cursory response such as “I agree” or “I disagree” or a “good post” without any substantive content to backup would result in point loss. In all postings, students are expected to observe proper rules of netiquette in both oral and written communications and conduct in a professional manner. Late submissions are not allowed for discussion forums.

The maximum total for canvas discussion posts is 100 points.

- **Examinations** - There will be three exams. Each will be worth 150 points. Makeup exams will be given ONLY when arrangements have been made PRIOR to the class meeting.

- **Lab Assignments** - There will be 10 lab assignments. Labs are designed to provide hands on training for mastering key course concepts. Instructions for lab assignments are available in canvas. All assignment submissions require a zipped copy of your assignment that allows me to unzip, open, and view the contents or other documents associated with the assignment. Please include your name and assignment identification in the zip file name (YourName_ChX.zip). You should also note that archives such as .rar, .gz, .tar, .7z, (among others) are not zip archives. Assignment submissions failing to provide the specified naming, identification, and format will not be accepted for grading. All assignments are due on the specified due date and time. Assignments turned in after due dates are considered late. 5 points will be deducted for each day the assignment is late. Special circumstances need to be discussed with the instructor ahead of time when possible.

- **Semester Long Project**: There will be one Team Project where student teams will work on IT security project to analyze risks, threats, and vulnerabilities, apply countermeasures, and audit an information systems environment. The project is worth 150 points and is divided into three parts. Details for each part of the project can be found in Canvas under term project. For the team project, students can self-select into teams of 2 to 3 members. Use Canvas people tool (on the left side of the menu in your course) to create a group and add the members. Students must choose their teammates before the end of the second week. Deliverables turned in after due date are considered late. 5 points will be deducted for each day the deliverables are late. Special circumstances need to be discussed with the instructor ahead of time when possible.

- **Team Projects**: Each team will select a leader, and the team will have meetings outside class time either online or face to face. I expect each team member to fully participate on team projects. All team members will receive the same grade for the team projects. However, I reserve the right to make exceptions to that practice as circumstances such
as performance imbalance or communication issues warrant. Poor individual contributions to the team project as noted by your team members will result in a poorer individual grade on the team project.

**Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion**

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**Posting of Grades:**
All student grades will be posted in the Canvas Grade book and students should monitor their grading status through this tool. Grades for weekly assignments, discussions, quizzes and exams will be posted within 7 days following the due date.

**CALENDAR**

**Complete Course Outline**

The instructor reserves the right to make changes to this syllabus. Any changes that effect grades or grading will be made in writing.
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**Important University Dates:**

[https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/academic-calendar.html](https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/academic-calendar.html)
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**TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT**

**Technology Requirements**

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. *We strongly recommend the latest versions of Chrome or Firefox browsers. Canvas no longer supports any version of Internet Explorer.*

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [https://tamuct.instructure.com/] or access Canvas through the TAMUCT Online link in myCT [https://tamuct.onecampus.com/]. You will log in through our Microsoft portal.

Username: Your MyCT email address. Password: Your MyCT password
Canvas Support
Use the Canvas Help link, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can select “Chat with Canvas Support,” submit a support request through “Report a Problem,” or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953.
For issues related to course content and requirements, contact Dr. Anitha Chennamaneni

Online Proctored Testing
A&M-Central Texas uses Proctorio for online identity verification and proctored testing. This service is provided at no direct cost to students. If the course requires identity verification or proctored testing, the technology requirements are: Any computer meeting the minimum computing requirements, plus web camera, speaker, and microphone (or headset). Proctorio also requires the Chrome web browser with their custom plug in.

Other Technology Support
For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central
24 hours a day, 7 days a week
Email: helpdesk@tamu.edu
Phone: (254) 519-5466
Web Chat: [http://hdc.tamu.edu]

Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student

UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES

Drop Policy
If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete the Drop Request Dynamic Form through Warrior Web.

[https://dynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com/casAuthentication.ashx?InstID=eaed95b9-f2be-45f3-a37d-46928168bc10&targetUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fdyn}
Academic Integrity

Texas A&M University-Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Academic integrity is defined as a commitment to honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. Academic misconduct is any act that improperly affects a true and honest evaluation of a student’s academic performance and includes, but is not limited to, working with others in an unauthorized manner, cheating on an examination or other academic work, plagiarism and improper citation of sources, using another student’s work, collusion, and the abuse of resource materials. All academic misconduct concerns will be referred to the university’s Office of Student Conduct. Ignorance of the university’s standards and expectations is never an excuse to act with a lack of integrity. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

For more information regarding the Student Conduct process, [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html].

If you know of potential honor violations by other students, you may submit a report, [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=0].

Academic Accommodations

At Texas A&M University-Central Texas, we value an inclusive learning environment where every student has an equal chance to succeed and has the right to a barrier-free education. The Office of Access and Inclusion is responsible for ensuring that students with a disability receive equal access to the university’s programs, services and activities. If you believe you have a disability requiring reasonable accommodations please contact the Office of Access and Inclusion, WH-212; or call (254) 501-5836. Any information you provide is private and confidential and will be treated as such.

For more information please visit our Access & Inclusion Canvas page (log-in required) [https://tamuct.instructure.com/courses/717]

Important information for Pregnant and/or Parenting Students.

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights, the Dean of Student Affairs’ Office can assist students who are
pregnant and/or parenting in seeking accommodations related to pregnancy and/or parenting. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible. For more information, please visit Student Affairs [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/index.html]. Students may also contact the institution’s Title IX Coordinator. If you would like to read more about these requirements and guidelines online, please visit the website [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf].

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex and gender—including pregnancy, parenting, and all related conditions. A&M-Central Texas is able to provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodation to pregnant and parenting students. All pregnant and parenting students should contact the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs at (254) 501-5909 to seek out assistance. Students may also contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator.

**Tutoring**

Tutoring is available to all A&M-Central Texas students, on a remote online basis. Visit the Academic Support Community in Canvas to view schedules and contact information. Subjects tutored on campus include Accounting, Advanced Math, Biology, Finance, Statistics, Mathematics, and Study Skills. Student success coaching is available online upon request.

If you have a question regarding tutor schedules, need to schedule a tutoring session, are interested in becoming a tutor, success coaching, or have any other question, contact Academic Support Programs at (254) 501-5836, visit the Office of Student Success at 212F Warrior Hall, or by emailing studentsuccess@tamuct.edu.

Chat live with a tutor 24/7 for almost any subject from on your computer! Tutor.com is an online tutoring platform that enables A&M-Central Texas students to log in and receive online tutoring support at no additional cost. This tool provides tutoring in over 40 subject areas except writing support. Access Tutor.com through Canvas.

**The University Writing Center**

The University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (TAMUCT) is a free service open to all TAMUCT students. For the Spring 2021 semester, all services will be online as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday with satellite hours Monday thru Thursday from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The UWC is also offering hours from 12:00-3:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. By providing a practice audience for students’ ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students’ texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade
papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

Students may arrange a one-to-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by making an appointment via WCOnline [https://tamuct.mywconline.com/]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu if you have any questions about the UWC and/or need any assistance with scheduling.

University Library

The University Library provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 200 electronic databases containing approximately 250,000 eBooks and 82,000 journals, in addition to the 85,000 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available 24 hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place on Skype or in-person at the library. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group work spaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our Library website [http://tamuct.libguides.com/index].

For Spring 2021, all reference service will be conducted virtually. Please go to our Library website [http://tamuct.libguides.com/index] to access our virtual reference help and our current hours.

A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).
Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don’t agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don’t be a bystander; be an agent of change. For additional information on campus policy and resources visit the Title IX webpage [https://www.tamuct.edu/departments/compliance/titleix.php].

Behavioral Intervention

Texas A&M University-Central Texas cares about the safety, health, and well-being of its students, faculty, staff, and community. If you are aware of individuals for whom you have a concern, who are exhibiting behaviors that pose a threat to safety, or individuals causing a significant disruption to our community, please make a referral to the Behavioral Intervention Team. You can complete the referral online [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=2].

Anonymous referrals are accepted. Please see the Behavioral Intervention Team website for more information [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/bat.html]. If a person’s behavior poses an imminent threat to you or another, contact 911 or A&M-Central Texas University Police at 254-501-5800.

Instructor Policies

The instructor reserves the right to make changes to this syllabus during the course of the semester for the benefit of the students. Any changes that effect grades or grading will be made in writing.

Instructor reserves the right to supplement the material presented in the text with additional material including handouts, oral presentations, industry articles, videos, research paper readings, case studies, power point presentations etc. for the benefit of the students

All work is submitted through Canvas and due on the specified due date/time. Work turned in after due date is considered late. 5 points will be deducted for each day the assignment is late. Special circumstances need to be discussed with me ahead of time when possible. Missed assignments, projects, and examinations will receive a grade of zero. Any work not submitted in the proper format is rejected and receives no credit.

Incidents of violations of academic integrity, such as plagiarism or turning in the work of others as your own work, will result in a cap on the maximum number of points that can be earned in
this class. The cap will be 600 points resulting in a best case grade of “D” for the class. Students whose assignment contains plagiarized information i.e., failing to cite and reference the information source in properly applying APA formatting to citations and references, copying and/or using content from unauthorized sources etc. will receive a 0 for the assignment and possibly a referral to Student Affairs.

At all times in the class, please observe proper rules of netiquette in your oral and written communication and conduct yourself in a professional manner.

The Operation of the Online Course and Being an Online Student. Online learning requires students to be very self-disciplined and demands regular and consistent participation in the class. Please read the document posted on Canvas on what makes a successful online student. Be sure you understand and are prepared to comply with all required class assignments and deadlines. If you are not able to comply, for any reason, you must contact me immediately.

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