



Course Specification

(Bachelor)

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| Course Title | Network Operating System |
| Course Code: | CNET 452 |
| Program: | Computer & Network Engineering |
| Department: | Electrical and Electronics Engineering |
| College: | College of Engineering & Computer Science |
| Institution: | Jazan University |
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A. General information about the course:

1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: (3)

2. Course type

- A. ☐ University ☐ College ☒ Department ☐ Track ☐ Others
- B. ☒ Required ☐ Elective

3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (level 7 / year 4)

4. Course General Description:

This course focuses on the key issues that need to be considered when deciding to use a network operating system. Some of the questions raised are what is a network operating system (NOS) and when do user need one, what are the main types of NOS and how do they differ; can user buy a cheap NOS for small LAN. How does user choose suitable NOS for network systems, and can user have more than one NOS running on network. This Course goes on to demonstrate the linkage between NOS and other elements of the overall IT platform: network management, application programming interfaces and network computing. This Course also describes the core elements of Active Directory and Security related Issues.

5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any):

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6. Co-requisites for this course (if any):

7. Course Main Objective(s):

This course will develop the students' ability to learn:

- Describe the functions which are unique to network operating systems vs other operating systems.
- Differentiate different NOS's and their characteristics.
- Describe different types of Hypervisors.
- Discuss Network Operating System as per user requirement.
- Analysis of Directory Services and its main Security Issues.
- How to manage and maintain components of Active Directory.



- Compare and contrast main aspects of different categories of Distributed Systems.
- Describe three tier architecture of client Server.
- Measure different Architectural aspects of Multiprocessor.

2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|--|---------------|------------|
| 1 | Traditional classroom | 60 | 100% |
| 2 | E-learning | | |
| 3 | Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Traditional classroom ● E-learning | | |
| 4 | Distance learning | | |

3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

| No | Activity | Contact Hours |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Lectures | 26 |
| 2. | Laboratory/Studio | 26 |
| 3. | Field | -- |
| 4. | Tutorial | -- |
| 5. | Others (specify) | 8 |
| Total | | 60 |

B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| 1.0 | Knowledge and understanding | | | |
| 1.1 | Describe the concepts and components of Network Operating System | K1 | Visual & Verbal [Lectures / Presentations] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exam-1 ● Final exam. ● Assignment 1 ● Case study. |





| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
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| 1.2 | Explain different categories of distributed system architectures. | K2 | Visual & Verbal [Lectures / Presentations] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exam-1 ● Final exam. ● Assignment 1 ● Case study. |
| 1.3 | Outline the strategy to choose a network operating system as per the organizations need based on latest trends. | K3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lectures ● Classroom discussions ● Lab exercises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exam-2 ● Final exam. ● Assignment 1 ● Case study. |
| 2.0 | Skills | | | |
| 2.1 | Design and analyze the logical structure of Active directory for an organization | S5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lectures ● Classroom discussions ● Lab exercises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exam-1 ● Final exam. ● Assignment 1 ● Assignment 2 / Case study. |
| 2.2 | Demonstrate steps an administrator should use to manage and maintain Network Administration. | S2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lectures ● Classroom discussions ● Lab exercises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exam-2 ● Final exam. ● Lab Exam ● Assignment 1 ● Assignment 2 / Case study. |
| 2.3 | Implement different architectures in advanced distributed system. | S3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lectures ● Classroom discussions ● Lab exercises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Final exam. ● Assignment 1 ● Assignment 2 / Case study. |
| 2.4 | Communicate effectively presenting their assignments and case study. | S4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lectures ● Classroom discussions ● Lab exercises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Final exam. ● Lab Exam ● Assignment 1 ● Assignment 2 / Case study. |
| 3.0 | Values, autonomy, and responsibility | | | |
| 3.1 | Show team work attribute, working on group assignment related to Network operating systems. | V1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lectures ● Classroom discussions ● Lab exercises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Assignment 1 ● Assignment 2 / Case study. |



C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics | Contact Hours |
|----|---|---------------|
| 1. | <p>Chapter 1: Network Operating System:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network operating system • Peer-to-peer and client/server network operating systems. • System Models: Virtual Machines, Implementation of VMMs • Key features of each network operating systems | 4T + 4P |
| 2. | <p>Chapter 2: Network Services and Software:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different Network Services offered by NOS • Types of network operating systems with their architecture. • Components of a Linux System, Design principles of Linux system • Selecting NOS as per Organizations requirement. | 4T + 4P |
| 3 | <p>Chapter 3: Introduction to Distributed Systems:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed System Architecture • Reasons of DS • Middleware • Multiprocessor Architecture • Multiprocessor Traffic Control System • Client Server Architecture • Thin and Fat layers | 4T + 4P |
| 4 | <p>Chapter 4: Advanced Distributed Systems:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three Tier Architecture • Distributed Object Architecture • Advantages and uses of Distributed Object Architecture • Distributed Operating System, Design issues of Distributed systems • Data Mining System • COBRA and Application Structure • COBRA Standards and objects • Object request Broker (ORB) | 4T + 4P |
| 5 | <p>Chapter 5: Windows Server Administration Fundamentals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revolutionary system management and administration concepts introduced with Windows Server • System components, Kernel, Kernel – process and threads, scheduling • Domain Controllers and Member Servers • Understanding and Using Server Roles • Frequently Used Tools • Using Control Panel Utilities • Using Command based Utilities | 5T + 5P |
| 6 | <p>Chapter 6: Active Directory:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing and Maintaining Physical and Logical Devices. • Managing Users, Computers, and Groups | 5T + 5P |





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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managing and Maintaining Access to Resources Managing and Maintaining a Server Environment File System NTFS, internal layout, recovery, security Managing and Implementing Disaster Recovery Windows Server Active Directory Active Directory Objects, Active Directory Schema Active Directory Logical Structure and Components Active Directory Communications Standards Active Directory Physical Structure | |
| 7 | Revision all contents | 2T+2P |
| 8 | Final Exam | 2T + 2P |
| Total | | 60 |

D. Students Assessment Activities

| No | Assessment Activities * | Assessment timing (in week no) | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|----|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Assignments | 4th Week | 10% |
| 2. | Midterm Exam | 8th Week | 20% |
| 3. | Mini Project | 12th Week | 10% |
| 4. | Lab Exam | 13th Week | 20% |
| 5. | Final Exam | 15 th Week | 40% |

*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.).

E. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. References and Learning Resources

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| Essential References | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Linux with Operating System Concepts By Richard Fox, ISBN 9781138455498 Published June 29, 2017 by Chapman and Hall/CRC Coulouris, Dollimore and Kindberg, Distributed Systems: Concepts and Design. Network operating system A Complete Guide Paperback – August 19, 2021 by Gerardus Blokdyk, ISBN-10 : 0655328688 ISBN-13 : 978-0655328681 |
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| | 4. Ciccarelli, .Faulkner “CCNA” Jumpstart Sybax San Francisco International publication. |
| Supportive References | |
| Electronic Materials | Blackboard:- https://lms.jazanu.edu.sa/webapps/portal/execute/tabs/tabAction?tab_tab_group_id=_1_1 Online Fedora support: http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/default.aspx www.Fedora.org |
| Other Learning Materials | Windows server Latest Version and Linux Server/Fedora 24 |

2. Required Facilities and equipment

| Items | Resources |
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| facilities (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.) | Classroom equipped with projector and whiteboard and sufficient seating arrangements. Lab with software installed and individual computer terminal for each student. |
| Technology equipment (projector, smart board, software) | A well dedicated Linux based Lab with the following facilities: A Data show and a Smart / White board. Linux Server and clients An active internet connection. |
| Other equipment (depending on the nature of the specialty) | None |

F. Assessment of Course Quality

| Assessment Areas/Issues | Assessor | Assessment Methods |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Effectiveness of teaching | Students, HOD | Indirect, Direct |
| Effectiveness of Students assessment | CT / CC / HoD | Direct |
| Quality of learning resources | TL / CRC / PQC | Indirect, Direct |
| The extent to which CLOs have been achieved | CT / CC / TL / PQC | Indirect, Direct |
| Other | | |

Assessors (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewers, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

G. Specification Approval

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| COUNCIL /COMMITTEE | DEPARTMENT COUNCIL |
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