

San José State University
Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering/Computer Engineering
Department
CS-166, Information Security, Section 03, Spring 2023

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Course and Contact Information

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Class Days/Time:	Monday and Wednesday 3:00pm – 4:15pm
Classroom:	Boccardo Business Center (BBC) 004
Prerequisites:	CS-146 (with a grade of C- or above) and either CS-47 or CMPE-102 or CMPE-120 (with a grade of C- or above)

Course Format

Technology Intensive, Hybrid, and Online Courses

The CS-166 Information Security course combines both theoretical study as well as hands-on exercises of the information security technology. Therefore, it requires each student to have a personal computer that is installed with a modern operating system, such as MS Windows™, Mac OS X™, or Linux. The personal computer must be able to connect to Internet and capable of running multiple instances of virtual machines, such as VirtualBox. Students using Mac OSX must be aware of that M1/M2-based Macbook Pros are not compatible with the virtual machines provided. Therefore, students using M1/M2 Macbook Pros need to have access to an Intel x86-based computer (Windows/Linux/Mac OSX) in order to perform the exercises and homework.

This course provides hands-on experiences about various attack cases in a Linux operation system running in a virtual machine environment. In addition, this course provides an example to create a network topology to launch possible attacks in a virtual lab environment, such as the SEED Lab. This course has quizzes, two midterm exams, a final exam, homework including lab assignments, and a group-based course project. All assignments must be submitted through our eLearning platform Canvas at <http://sjsu.instructure.com>.

The quizzes, midterms, and final exam are in class and online using students' personal computers.

Faculty Web Page and MYSJSU Messaging

Copies of the course materials such as the syllabus, lecture slide decks, assignment handouts, etc. can be found on the course shell available from the eLearning platform Canvas at: <http://sjsu.instructure.com>. Submission of any assignment (homework, report, etc.) should be made at Canvas as well. You are responsible for regularly (i.e. every couple of days) checking with the messaging system (email, discussions, announcements, news) through Canvas and through MySJSU.

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate in-depth understanding of tools and common techniques in different network attacking phases and effective defenses against these attacks.
2. Demonstrate in-depth understanding of cryptography algorithms and standards, authentication protocols.
3. Understanding various network security defense methods against system and network security problems.
4. Demonstrate the capability of discovering security problems in networked systems and developing a defense technique.
5. Conduct a set of hands-on labs which are available at SEED Labs supported by NSF.
6. Demonstrate the capability of working collaboratively and productively in a team environment.

Required Texts/Readings

Textbook

William Stallings, Lawrie Brown, *Computer Security: Principles and Practice* (4th Edition), Prentice Hall, 2018, ISBN-13: 978-0134794105 (eText ISBN: 9780134794181)

Students can obtain the eText for \$34.99: <http://www.informit.com/store/computer-security-principles-and-practice-subscription-9780134794181>

Other Readings

Wenliang Du, *Computer Security: A Hands-on Approach*
<https://www.handsonsecurity.net>

W. Stallings, *Cryptography and Network Security: Principles and Practice*, 7th Ed., Pearson 2017. ISBN 10: 0-13-335469-5, ISBN 13: 978-0-13-335469-0

Other technology requirements / equipment / material

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Course Requirements and Assignments

The class assignments that are assessed and that contribute to your final grade include homework assignments, project presentation and report, one midterm exam, and one final exam.

- **Homework/Lab assignments:** Labs with exercises will be assigned after learning several topics. The labs and the homework are tools for you to learn the material and prepare you for the exams. **I will NOT accept late ones.**
 - **Labs and Class Demos:** This class provides different hands-on techniques to understand various attacks.
 - **Target techniques:** Brute Force Authentication Attack with Burp Suite, SQL Injection Attacks, Man-in-the-middle attacks, DoS attacks, DNS Hijacking, XSS attacks, Buffer overflow attacks, and so on.
 - **Testbed and Tools:** DeterLab, SEED Labs, Mininet, Kali Linux, Linux, Wireshark, and so on.
- **Reading assignments:** You should read some chapters in the textbook before the next class.
- **Programming/Project assignments:** A term project will be assigned. You can choose one hot topic from a literature survey in security areas. Programming assignments are based on a group, unless otherwise specified. Each team is required to submit a project report for each phase to the course Canvas site. The due date of each report is to be announced later.
- **Exams:** There are three exams (closed books) during the semester. The final exam, closed books and comprehensive, will be worth 25% of your grade. The exams will contain multiple choices questions with several short answer questions and descriptive questions.

No late assignments will be accepted. Email submission of assignments will NOT be accepted. Please turn in all assignment on CANVAS, the eLearning platform Canvas at: <http://sjsu.instructure.com>. An extension or an exception will be granted only if a student has serious and compelling reasons that can be proven by an independent authority (e.g. doctor's note if the student has been sick).

NOTE that [University policy F69-24](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F69-24) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F69-24>.pdf states that “Students should attend all meetings of their classes, not only because they are responsible for material discussed therein, but because active participation is frequently essential to insure maximum benefit for all members of the class. Attendance per se shall not be used as a criterion for grading.”

“Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally three hours per unit per week) for instruction, preparation/studying, or course related activities, including but not limited to internships, labs, and clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.”

Final Examination or Evaluation

“Faculty members are required to have a culminating activity for their courses, which can include a final examination, a final research paper or project, a final creative work or performance, a final portfolio of work, or other appropriate assignment.”

Grading Information (Required)

Homework & Quizzes	20%
Term Course Project	15%
Two Midterm Exams	40%
Final Exam (comprehensive)	25%
Total	100%

- The final grade of this class is *solely* based on *your* performance in *this* class.

- Course Project Report will be submitted through Canvas. Plagiarism will result in a grade of F for the class as well being referred to the department chair.
- No extra credit is available.
- Major exams in this class may be video recorded to ensure academic integrity. The recordings will only be viewed if there is an issue to be addressed. Under no circumstances will the recordings be publicly released.

Determination of Grades

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Points</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
<i>A plus</i>	<i>960 to 1000</i>	<i>96 to 100%</i>
<i>A</i>	<i>910 to 959</i>	<i>91 to 95%</i>
<i>A minus</i>	<i>870 to 909</i>	<i>87 to 90%</i>
<i>B plus</i>	<i>840 to 869</i>	<i>84 to 86 %</i>
<i>B</i>	<i>800 to 839</i>	<i>80 to 83%</i>
<i>B minus</i>	<i>750 to 799</i>	<i>75 to 79%</i>
<i>C plus</i>	<i>700 to 749</i>	<i>70 to 74%</i>
<i>C</i>	<i>650 to 699</i>	<i>65 to 69%</i>
<i>C minus</i>	<i>600 to 649</i>	<i>60 to 64%</i>
<i>D plus</i>	<i>550 to 599</i>	<i>55 to 59%</i>
<i>D</i>	<i>500 to 549</i>	<i>50 to 54%</i>
<i>D minus</i>	<i>450 to 499</i>	<i>45 to 49%</i>
<i>F</i>	<i>000 to 449</i>	<i>0%-44%</i>

- Refer to [Spring 2021 Special University Grading Policy](#) for grade changes.

Classroom Protocol

- Each student is required to engage in classroom activities, participate in labs, submit assignments and reports on time, *and* take exams and tests on time.
- Web browsing in class is strictly not allowed. Cell Phones are to be turned off during lectures and tests. During exams if you receive a cell phone call or page it will be assumed that you have completed your exam and no further work will be allowed.
- No make-up exams will be held.
- Exams will be closed book. One cheat sheet (letter size and both sides) is allowed in each exam.
- Student causing disruption in the class will be asked to leave the class.

University Policies

Per [University Policy S16-9](#) (<http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S16-9.pdf>), relevant information to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, dropping and adding, consent for recording of class, etc. is available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs' [Syllabus Information web page](#) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/>". **Make sure to visit this page, review and be familiar with these university policies and resources.**

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Course Schedule

The schedule is subject to change with fair notice through Canvas

Week	Date	Topics	Readings/Assignments
1	1/25	Course Overview, Linux tutorial	Slides
2	1/30	Information Security Introduction	Ch. 1
	2/1	Classic Encryption Technology	Notes
3	2/6	Cryptographic Tools	Ch. 2
	2/8	Symmetric Encryption	Ch. 20, HW#1
4	2/13	Symmetric Encryption	
	2/15	Asymmetric Encryption	Ch. 21
5	2/20	Asymmetric Encryption	HW#2
	2/22	User Authentication	Ch. 3
6	2/27	User Authentication	Quiz1
	3/1	Midterm I Exam	
7	3/6	Web Security	Notes
	3/8	Web Security	HW#3
8	3/13	Access Control	Ch. 4
	3/15	Access Control	
9	3/20	Key Distribution	Notes
	3/21	Key Distribution	
10	3/27	Spring Break - No Class	
	3/29	Spring Break - No Class	
11	4/3	Fundamental of Networking (TCP/IP Tutorial)	Quiz2
	4/7	Midterm II Exam	
12	4/10	Fundamental of Networking (TCP/IP Tutorial)	HW#4
	4/12	Network Attacks (DoS, etc.)	Ch. 7
13	4/17	Network Attacks (DoS, etc.)	
	4/19	Network Attacks (DoS, etc.)	
14	4/24	Buffer Overflow	Ch. 10
	4/26	Buffer Overflow	HW#5
15	5/1	Malicious Software	Ch. 11
	5/3	Malicious Software	
16	5/8	Project presentation	
	5/10	Project presentation	

17	5/15	No class - self review	
18	5/18	<u>Final Exam: Thursday 5/18/2023, 12:15pm - 2:30pm</u>	Final Exam