ITSC 1325

Personal Computer Hardware

Course Content Lead: XXXXXXXXXXX

What is the end goal of this course? Install, configure, secure, and troubleshoot operating systems software and hardware to achieve high availability and performance.

PSLO Information:

Introduce PSLO 1: (Network Design & Implementation) Student will demonstrate knowledge and expertise of network components, protocols, services, and operation, by designing and implementing a functional network (hardware, software, services), given business requirements and constraints

Introduce PSLO 2: (Network Security) Student will demonstrate expertise in configuring a secure IT infrastructure

WECM Course Information:

Please note: Course information is included as a resource and is not meant to be utilized as a course outline. Course Categories/Topics and individual KSAs (Knowledge, Skills & Abilities) should come from industry and be itemized. With the general nature of Course outcomes, it should be very easy to ensure that End of Course Outcomes are met and mapping will be done in the future to ensure that there are not any gaps. Please utilize this opportunity to take a look at each course with fresh eyes and carefully consider industry needs and the needs of your program as you go through the deconstruction process. Please do not hesitate to contact xxxxxxxx (xxxxxxxx@tstc.edu) if you have any questions or need any assistance

Course Info

Course Level: Introductory

Course Description: Current personal computer hardware including assembly, upgrading, setup, configuration, and troubleshooting.

Course Outcomes:

- **CO1:** Assemble/setup personal computer systems
- **CO2:** Upgrade personal computer systems
- **CO3:** Diagnose and isolate faulty components
- **CO4:** Optimize system performance
- **CO5:** Install/connect peripherals

Added Outcomes:

- **CO6:** Document baseline configuration and system component upgrades
- **CO7**: Secure desktop environment
- CO8: Customize a PC for an end user

(Domain) Units/Categories

- **1. Computer Components**
- 2. OS Installation
- 3. Windows Performance Monitoring
- 4. PC Troubleshooting
- 5. PC System Security
- 6. Thinking Outside the Box

5. End User System Security [CO7, CO8]

CC 5.1 Secure a personal computer system

- LO 5.1.1 Identify system secure vulnerabilities
- LO 5.1.2 Implement security best practices to harden a workstation

LO 5.1.1 Identify system secure vulnerabilities

- 1. User Security Awareness
 - 1. Unauthorized Access
 - 1. Administrative Access
 - 2. Dumpster Diving
 - 3. Shoulder Surfing
 - 2. Social Engineering
 - 1. Telephone Scam
 - 2. Phishing
 - 3. Data Destruction
 - 4. Physical System Crash / Hardware Failure
 - 5. Physical Theft
 - 6. Shut down System
 - 1. Minimum Password Length
 - 2. Account Lockout Threshold
 - 3. Disable Windows Installer
 - 4. Printer Browsing
 - 7. Virus and Threat Protection Software
 - 1. Anti-Malware
 - 2. Antivirus
 - 1. Definition File
 - 3. Virus Shield
 - 1. Signature
 - 2. Checksum
 - 4. Careful Clicking

- 5. Recovery
 - 1. Recognize and Quarantine
 - 2. Search and Destroy
 - 3. Remediate

LO 5.1.2 Implement security best practices to harden a workstation

- 2. Device Hardening
 - 1. Hardware
 - 1. Set BIOS password
 - 2. Disable Autoplay for removable media
 - 2. Software
 - 1. Genuine Licensed OS
 - 2. Genuine Application software
 - 3. Encryption
 - 1. BitLocker
 - 4. Secure web browsers
 - 5. OS Lock on Timeout
 - 6. Uninstall inactive apps and features
 - 7. Disable unnecessary services
 - 8. Set Privacy Controls
 - 1. Location
 - 2. Camera
 - 3. Microphones
 - 9. Windows Firewall and Protection
 - 1. Private Network
 - 2. Public Network
 - 3. Allow Applications
 - 1. TeamViewer
 - 10. Parental Controls
 - 1. Web sites
 - 2. Time restrictions

- 3. Reporting
- 4. Apps and Games
- 3. Mobile Device
 - 1. Patches/Updates to OS
 - 2. Find my iPhone
 - 3. Passcode Lock
 - 4. Remote Wipe
 - 5. Touch ID
 - 6. Backups
 - 7. App Permissions

Resources (This table is for ALL instructors to share resources. Right click to add rows as necessary)				
Current/Planned Resources & Materials Videos, Books, Simulations, etc. (Be Specific, include chapters, links, vendor info)	Assignments Practice Labs, Quizlets, and Interactive Activities	Tests and Major Projects Tests/Exams, Projects What are the planned summative assessments? Projects (-Performance Assessment- Hands on) and Tests/Exams (OA- Objective Assessment- Test, Quizzes)	Proposed New Material and Content Are there any major materials that you are thinking of adding that would need to be developed? Workbooks, Simulations, etc.	

LO 5.1.1 Identify system secure vulnerabilities					
Slides 5.1.1 System Vulnerabilities	Quiz- System Vulnerabilities				
LO 5.1.2 Use security best practices to harden a workstation					
Slices 5.1.2 PC Hardening	Lab - PC Hardening				
Mastery Assessment		OA - PC Security [Multiple Choice, Matching, Essay]			
Comments/Notes					