CIS 140: A+ ESSENTIALS I

Transcript title

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Credits

4

Grading mode

Standard letter grades

Total contact hours

50

Lecture hours

30

Other hours

20

Corequisites

CIS 145.

Recommended preparation

CIS 120 or CIS 124.

Course Description

A+ Essentials is the starting point for a career in IT. Covers the fundamentals of computer technology, installation and configuration of PCs, laptops and related hardware, and basic networking concepts. Prepare for the vendor neutral CompTIA A+ Essentials certification exam (220-901). CIS 140 and 145 utilize one textbook. To become A+ certified requires you to pass both certification exams.

Course learning outcomes

- 1. Explain the importance, purpose, and properties of motherboard components.
- 2. Compare and contrast characteristics and purpose of various PC connection interfaces.
- 3. Identify common TCP and UDP ports, protocols, and their purpose.
- 4. Install and configure SOHO wireless/wired router and apply appropriate settings.
- 5. Install and configure laptop hardware and components.
- 6. Compare and contrast accessories and ports on other mobile devices.
- 7. Troubleshoot hard drives and RAID arrays with appropriate tools.
- 8. Troubleshoot and repair common mobile device issues while adhering to the appropriate procedures.

Content outline

- · Motherboard components
- · PC connections/interfaces
- · TCP and UDP ports and protocols
- · Wireless routers
- · Laptop hardware

- · Mobile devices
- · Storage and RAID
- Troubleshooting

Required materials

Students will need regular and reliable Internet access. Shares a textbook with CIS 145.