

Course: **CJ 1900 Intro to Computer Related Crime**

Credit Hours: **3 credit hours**

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PREREQUISITES: None

REQUIRED TEXT:

Digital Evidence and Computer Crime (3rd Edition) by Eoghan Casey

All students are expected to read and understand everything outlined in this syllabus. Enrollment and participation online is implied agreement with the terms of this syllabus. If there are questions or concerns about the syllabus, feel free to discuss them with me.

This is an online course, which requires verification of your identity through the use of proctored assignments and/or tests. The student will receive an F in the course if these proctored assignments are not completed and are not compatible with coursework submitted throughout the semester.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Skills-based course introducing computer crime through an overview of the criminal acts that can be committed using a computer or the Internet, and how those acts can be successfully investigated. Also includes the legal aspects of search and seizure, proper procedures for handling digital evidence in relation to the rules of evidence, and the use of basic imaging equipment.

COURSE FOCUS

Unit I: Foundations of Digital Forensics

Week 1

In this chapter, the student is introduced to Locard's Exchange Principal and how it applies to digital forensics. The student has the opportunity to learn definitions for digital forensics and digital evidence. The volatile nature of digital evidence is discussed; as is the need for documentation and repeatability in order to maintain forensic soundness. Students become aware of the invasiveness of digital media and are able to identify four ways in which criminals use technology.

Unit II: Language of Computer Crime Investigation

Week 2

In this chapter, the student has the opportunity to increase vocabulary regarding technology and criminology. The student will be introduced to the various fields of digital forensics as well as the roles played by forensic analysts and examiners. Students will also be introduced to the different roles computers play in crime.

Unit III: Digital Evidence in the Courtroom

Week 3

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to explore the foundation of a case involving digital evidence. The student will learn proper evidence acquisition including seizing, storing, and accessing evidence, and verification that evidence is properly handled. The student will also learn the rights afforded citizens and law enforcement agents by the 4th Amendment and the Electronic Communications Privacy Act.

Unit IV: Cybercrime Law

Week 4

In these chapters, the student will learn how the United States deals with cybercrime. The student will be able to compare and contrast these laws to those enforced in Europe. The major crimes discussed include Computer Fraud, Child Pornography and crimes against children, trademark infringement, forgery, extortion, and identity theft.

Unit V: Computer Intrusions

Week 5

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to learn the scientific method and how to apply it to intrusion investigations. The student will be introduced to intrusion tactics and motivations. Live investigations will also be discussed as well as the risks in investigating live systems.

Unit VI: Conducting Digital Investigations

Week 6

In this chapter, students will have an opportunity to revisit the scientific method and apply it to digital investigations. Students will learn five digital investigation process models as well as five activities inherent in conducting an investigation (a triggering event, authorization to precede, threshold considerations, transportation, verification, and case management).

Unit VII: Handling a Crime Scene

Week 7

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to review several sources of digital crime scene processing guidelines. Students will learn to develop a plan for processing a crime scene and will acknowledge the role of authorization (i.e. warrants and legal authority) in crime scene processing.

Unit VIII: Imaging

Week 8

This unit is a hands-on activity requiring the student to create a bit-for-bit image of a suspect drive. Students are encouraged to attend one of two trainings given on campus. Students who cannot attend a face to face class will be given an alternative simulation and will be assisted on-line. This simulation is preparation for the practical portion of the midterm.

Unit IX: Applying Forensic Science to Computers

Week 9

In this chapter, the student will learn about the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and the need for SOP's in the field and in the lab. Students will revisit forensic methodologies including preparation, survey, documentation preservation, examination and analysis, reconstruction, and reporting and how to apply these methodologies to stand-alone computer systems.

Unit X: Investigative Reconstruction with Digital Evidence

Week 10

In this chapter, the student will be exposed to the connection between crime scene characteristics and modus operandi. The two most common types of reports (preliminary summary and full investigative report) will be introduced as will the field of victimology.

Unit XI: Modus Operandi, Motive and Technology

Week 11

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to learn the unintended consequences new technologies may affect. While recognizing that technology is not evil, students will learn the destruction that application of technology can cause. Students will learn that “modus operandi” answers the “how” part of an investigation while the “motive” answers the why. Students will discuss current technology and how this technology is used as a tool in the hands of criminals.

Unit XII: Violent Crime and Digital Evidence

Week 12

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to learn the role of computers in crime and the information these computers can provide. Students will also have the opportunity to touch on small device forensics and the information that can be gleaned from hand-held units such as GPS units and cell phones.

Unit XIII: Digital Evidence as Alibi

Week 13

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to learn the key elements in an alibi. Students will learn techniques to confirm or refute an alibi. Students will have the opportunity to trace their own digital footprints for a 24-hour period.

Unit XIV: Sex Offenders on the Internet

Week 14

In this chapter, the student will have the opportunity to learn the methods in which sex offenders can be traced in cyberspace. Students learn the most common sex offenses on the internet and why the internet is attractive to sex offenders.

Unit XV: Cyberstalking

Week 14

In this chapter, the student will explore the motivations behind cyberstalking as well as the traditional, physical forms of abuse that can accompany the stalking of the victim. The student will be introduced to the methods used by cyberstalkers to control their victims as well as victimological aspects helpful to a cyberstalking investigation.

Grades and assignments

- I. There will be a total of 15 quizzes consisting of 5-10 multiple choice questions. Each quiz will be worth 5 points for a total of 75 points. The tested material will cover the chapters from the assigned reading as designated on the posted schedule. Each quiz will cover the chapter(s) assigned for that week and will not be comprehensive. These quizzes are designed to test your knowledge of key concepts covered in the reading material. While open book, these quizzes have a ten-minute time limit, so read and study before taking them.
- II. Midterm and Final – The midterm and final are not comprehensive and are worth 100 points each. Both the midterm and the final will have a written (50 pts)

and a practical exercise (50 pts) that will be graded. The tests will cover concepts introduced in the reading and the online discussions.

III. Projects – Each student (in a partnership) will be expected to upload a 5-8 minute presentation on an assigned Cyber Law statute. These will be uploaded to canvas at assigned times. Students will be required to view all student presentations and post a comment or question. Material in the powerpoints will be covered on the midterm and final exams. Other small projects will be assigned throughout the terms for a total of 50 points.

IV. Weekly Posts – Weekly posts are required to discussion questions and other topics for a total of 15 posts at 5 points per post or 75 total points.

There is no extra credit or make-up work.

Grade Breakdown

A 100-93% A- 92-90%
B+ 89-87% B 86-84% B- 83-80%
C+ 79-77% C 76-74% C-73-70%
D+ 69-67% D 66-64% D- 63-60%
F 59% or below

Dixie State College's Policies

The following link will allow you to view information on the following school policies, important dates, the final exam schedule, and helpful resources such as:

Disability Resource Center
Library Information
IT Help Desk
Online Writing Lab
Testing Center
Tutoring Center
Writing Center
Semester Schedule
Academic Dishonesty/Academic Integrity Policy
Disruptive Behavior Policy
Absences Related to College Functions
Reasonable Accommodation Policy

<http://new.dixie.edu/reg/syllabus/>
Course Outline

Module 1: Course Introduction	Due Date
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M1: Introduce Yourself	01/18/15
M1: Reading – Chapter 1	01/18/15
M1: Discussion – Chapter 1 Post	01/18/15
M1: Activity – The Computer Desk	01/18/15
M1: Quiz – Chapter 1 Quiz (Timed)	01/18/15
Module 2: Language of Computer Crime Investigation	Due Date
M2: Reading – Chapter 2	01/25/15
M2: Discussion – Chapter 2 Post	01/25/15
M2: Activity: USDOJ Labeling	01/25/15
M2: Chapter 2 Quiz (Timed)	01/25/15
Module 3: Digital Evidence in the Courtroom	Due Date
M3: Reading – Chapter 3	02/01/15
M3: Discussion – Chapter 3 Post	02/01/15
M3: Quiz – Chapter 3 Quiz (Timed)	02/01/15
Module 4: Cybercrime Law: A United States Perspective/A European Perspective	Due Date
M4: Reading – Chapters 4 and 5	02/08/15
M4: Discussion – Chapter 4 Post and Chapter 5 Post	02/08/15
M4: Quiz – Chapter 4 Quiz and Chapter 5 Quiz (these are open book and have extended times allowed)	02/08/15
M4: Collaboration Sign Up Sheet (Sign up for PPT Presentation)	02/08/15
M4: Read PPT Presentation Rubric	02/08/15
Module 5: Computer Intrusions	Due Date
M5: Reading – Chapter 13	02/15/15
M5: Hacking Simulation	02/15/15

M5: The KGB, The Computer and Me (Movie)	02/15/15
M5: Discussion – Movie Post	02/15/15
M5: Discussion – Chapter 13 Post	02/15/15
M5: Quiz – Chapter 13 (Timed)	02/15/15
Module 6: Conducting Digital Investigations	Due Date
M6: Reading – Chapter 6	02/22/15
M6: Discussion – Chapter 6 Post	02/22/15
M6: Activity – Create a Hypothesis	02/22/15
M6: Quiz – Chapter 6 Quiz (Timed)	02/22/15
Module 7: Handling a Digital Crime Scene	Due Date
M7: Reading – Chapter 7	03/01/15
M7: Activity – Midterm Instructions/Bag and Tag lecture video	03/01/15
M7: Quiz – Chapter 7 Quiz (Timed)	03/01/15
Module 8: Imaging MIDTERM (Written)	Due Date
M8: On Campus Training/Training Video	03/22/15
M8: Midterm Practical Training Videos and PPT	03/22/15
WRITTEN MIDTERM (Chapters 1-7 and Chapter 13)	03/22/15
MIDTERM PRACTICUM SIGNUP	03/22/15
Module 9: Applying Forensic Science to Computers / Midterm	Due Date
M9: Reading – Chapter 16	03/29/15
M9: Quiz – Chapter 16 Quiz	03/29/15
MIDTERM PRACTICUM	03/29/15
Module 10: Modus Operandi, Motive, and Technology	Due Date
M10: Reading – Chapter 9	04/05/15

M10: Discussion - View US/EU Law PPT and comment	04/05/15
M10: Quiz – Chapter 9 Quiz (Timed)	04/05/15
Module 11: Violent Crime and Digital Evidence	Due Date
M11: Reading – Chapter 10	04/12/15
M11: Activity – Current Event	04/12/15
M11: Discussion - View US/EU Law PPT and comment	04/12/15
M11: Quiz – Chapter 10 Quiz (Timed)	04/12/15
Module 12: Digital Evidence as Alibi	Due Date
M12: Reading – Chapter 11	04/19/15
M12: Discussion – Chapter 11 Post	04/19/15
M12: Activity – Digital Footprints Project	04/19/15
M12: Discussion - View US/EU Law PPT and comment	04/19/15
M12: Quiz – Chapter 11 Quiz (Timed)	04/19/15
Module 13: Sex Offenders on the Internet and Module 14: Cyber Stalking	Due Date
M13: Reading – Chapter 12	04/26/15
M13: Activity – Multimedia	04/26/15
M13: Quiz – Chapter 12 Quiz (Timed)	04/26/15
M14: Reading – Chapter 14 & part of Chapter 23	04/26/15
M14: Email Tracing PPT and Lecture	04/26/15
M14: Activity – Email Tracing	04/26/15
M14: Quiz – Chapter 14 Quiz (Timed)	04/26/15
FINAL PREPARATION	Due Date
Activity: Proxies and Web Bugs	05/03/15
Instructions for Final (Practical Portion)	05/03/15

Final Practical (Email Tracing)	05/03/15
FINAL	05/07/15