

# CIS 129 Microcomputer Hardware II

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OFFICE #: Room 130

COMMON COURSE NUMBER: CIS 129

COURSE NAME: Microcomputer Hardware II

ROOM #: IVN Room 123

Lab 124

CLASS #: 19346

SEMESTER: Spring 2012

CREDIT HOURS: 3

CLASS HOURS: TR 2:30-3:20

LAB HOURS: Scheduled at each site

PREREQUISITES: CIS 128

e-Companion - www.lrsconline.com

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: Continuation of CIS 128. Students gain a higher level of skills in the diagnosis of hardware and software faults and the upgrading of computer systems. Software adaption to hardware, installation, and troubleshooting of network hardware including modems, network interfaces, and peripheral connections and local area network hardware design covered.

MATERIALS OF INSTRUCTION: Textbook: Jean Andrews, A+ Guide to Managing and Maintaining Your PC, 7th Edition. Course Technology, 2010, ISBN 9781435497788. LabSim A+ Essentials 2009 #220-701 ISBN 9781935080367.

Note: This course is ½ of the A+ Certification Exam content. The student will take the first portion of the A+ Certification Exam, (Essentials - JKO-701) toward the end of the CIS 129 course. CIS 129 will finish your preparation to take the Essentials portion, as well as the second portion of the A+ exam (JKO-702), which will be taken at the end of the semester of CIS 129.

Note for non-LRSC students: You are not required to take the CompTIA A+ certification exams. You may take them if you wish, but you will need to work out the details / exam fees with your campus.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: Students will prepare for the A+ Practical Application exam which includes these objectives:

## GENERAL EDUCATION OBJECTIVES:

- I. 3. To apply knowledge gained in the educational process and use that knowledge in everyday living apply knowledge to the real world
- II. 3. To use information objectively for solving problems and arriving at alternative solutions problem solving skills.
- VI. 3. To apply current technologies to access and utilization of information application of technology
- VII. 1. To develop a pattern of intellectual curiosity and inquiry which promotes life-long learning value of life-long learning

MAJOR UNITS: Section 1.0 PC Technician

Section 2.0 System Components
Section 3.0 Storage Devices
Section 4.0 Disk Management
Section 5.0 File Management
Section 6.0 Networking

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Section 8.0 System Management Section 9.0 Troubleshooting

GRADING: A 90-100%

B 80-89% C 70-79% D 60-69% F BELOW 60%

## **Academic Honesty:**

Students involved in cheating or plagiarism will be subject to failure. Academic dishonesty is clearly distinguished from student learning. Allowing another student to copy one's answers or hand in their computer work is a form of cheating and is NOT acceptable.

- First offense warning, but will receive a zero on the assignment/test
- Second offense turned over to VP of Instruction and WILL receive an 'F' for the class as the final grade

STUDENT OUTCOMES/COMPETENCIES: Upon successful completion of the course, students will be fully prepared to take the Essentials (JKO-701) and the Practical Application portion (JKO-702) of the CompTIA A+ Exam. Students must take the exams, whether they pass or fail, to receive a grade in the course. (LRSC students only) It is the student's responsibility to get a copy of the exam report to the instructor after taking each exam. The instructor will increase the student's course grade by one letter grade for each certification exam passed in this course (up to 2 letter grades total). Documentation of exam scores must be provided to the instructor via a copy of the exam report. If non-LRSC students decide to take the exams, they must provide a copy of the exam report to the instructor.

ASSESSMENT TOOLS (subject to change at the discretion of the instructor):

Quizzes, Worksheets, Chapter Questions @ 10-30 pts each Labs @ 10-50 pts each Chapter Exams @ 50-60 pts each Final Exam @ 100 pts Papers/Projects @ 10-50 pts each

ATTENDANCE: Students will be required to attend each class and stay for the duration. Please be courteous and be **ON TIME** for class. If the student is absent from class, that student is responsible for letting the instructor know that they will not be attending class and need to complete the assignments that were assigned while they were gone. **If the student is absent for more than 4 class periods, they will be withdrawn from class (this is not consecutive absences).** 

ASSIGNMENTS: Assignments are **DUE** on the date that is listed on e-Companion, unless changed by the instructor. I will not accept any assignment after the due date. **Any work handed in after the DUE DATE is subject to half points!** 

TESTS: Exams and guizzes may not be made up without advance approval from the instructor.

CELL PHONE USAGE: You may have your cell phone in class, but you MUST turn it to vibrate. If you need to answer a call, please leave the room quietly to answer. ALL cell phones MUST be turned OFF during a test.

LISTENING DEVICES: **NO** listening devices (iPods, MP3 players, headphones, etc.) will be allowed in my classes while class is in session.

#### **DIVISION MISSION STATEMENT:**

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