

Introduction to PC Operating Systems (ITSC 1305)

CREDIT

3 Semester Credit Hours (3 hours lecture)

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face

PREREQUISITE/CO-REQUISITE:

There are no Prerequisite/Co-requisites for this course.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Introduction to personal computer operating systems including installation, configuration, file management, memory and storage management, control of peripheral devices, and use of utilities.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to

- Install, configure, and maintain the operating system
- Perform basic file management operations
- Organize and allocate primary and secondary storage
- Access and control peripheral devices
- Run utilities

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

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& 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIALS

Guide to Operating Systems, 6th Edition, Greg Tomsho, ISBN-13: 978-0357433836

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is recorded in Starfish for each class meeting.

Approved: **Initials/date**



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DROP POLICY

If you wish to drop a course, you are responsible for initiating and completing the drop process. If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an "F" in the course.

COURSE CALENDAR

DATE	TOPIC	ASSIGNMENTS /Quizzes (Due on this Date)
Week 1	Overview & Syllabus	
Week 2	Module 1: Operating Systems Fundamentals	8/30/2023
Week 3	Module 2: Modern Client and Server Operating Systems	9/6/2023
Week 4	Module 3: The Central Processing Unit (CPU)	9/13/2023
Week 5	Module 4: File Systems	9/20/2023
Week 6	Module 5: Installing Operating Systems	9/27/2023
Week 7	Module 6: Devices and Device Drivers	10/4/2023
Week 8	Midterm Exam	10/16/2023
Week 9	Module 7: Using and Configuring Storage Devices	10/25/2023
Week 10	Module 8: Virtualization and Cloud Computing Fundamentals	11/1/2023
Week 11	Module 9: Network Fundamentals and Configuration	11/8/2023
Week 12	Module 10: Account and Resource Management	11/15/2023
Week 13	Thanksgiving break	11/22-24
Week 14	Module 11: Securing and Maintaining an Operating System	11/29/2023
Week 15	Review	
Week 16	Final Exam	12/4/2023

COURSE CONTENT

- Part I. Computer Basics
- Part II. Setting Up and Using Computer
- Part III. Networking, Security, and Maintenance
- Part IV. Databases and Software Development

Final grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

- **Assignments** 40%
- **Midterm** 25%
- **Finals** 35%

GRADE SCALE

- **90-100** A

- 80-89 B
- 70-79 C
- 60-69 D
- 0-59 F

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The latest technical requirements, including hardware, compatible browsers, operating systems, etc. can be online at <https://lit.edu/online-learning/online-learning-minimum-computer-requirements>. A functional broadband internet connection, such as DSL, cable, or WiFi is necessary to maximize the use of online technology and resources.

DISABILITIES STATEMENT

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. LIT provides reasonable accommodations as defined in the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, to students with a diagnosed disability. The Special Populations Office is located in the Eagles' Nest Room 129 and helps foster a supportive and inclusive educational environment by maintaining partnerships with faculty and staff, as well as promoting awareness among all members of the Lamar Institute of Technology community. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Special Populations Coordinator at (409)-951-5708 or email specialpopulations@lit.edu. You may also visit the online resource at [Special Populations - Lamar Institute of Technology \(lit.edu\)](#).

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

It is the responsibility of all registered Lamar Institute of Technology students to access, read, understand and abide by all published policies, regulations, and procedures listed in the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook*. The *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* may be accessed at www.lit.edu. Please note that the online version of the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* supersedes all other versions of the same document.

STARFISH

LIT utilizes an early alert system called Starfish. Throughout the semester, you may receive emails from Starfish regarding your course grades, attendance, or academic performance. Faculty members record student attendance, raise flags and kudos to express concern or give praise, and you can make an appointment with faculty and staff all through the Starfish home page. You can also login to Blackboard or MyLIT and click on the Starfish link to view academic alerts and detailed information. It is the responsibility of the student to pay attention to these emails and information in Starfish and consider taking the recommended actions. Starfish is used to help you be a successful student at LIT.

ADDITIONAL COURSE POLICIES/INFORMATION

1. Students should log onto Blackboard and access this course at least 3 times a week to keep on track with assignments. And do the assignments by each due date. There are 11 Units. For each unit, there will be a unit quiz in class, students should take it in person.
2. Students should come to class to take Midterm and Final exams in person.
3. Cheating of any kind will **not** be tolerated.
4. Internet Usage – Students are expected to use proper net etiquette while participating in course emails, assignment submissions, and online discussions.
5. Students should turn assignments in by the posted due date and time. **Late work** is not accepted. All assignments and quizzes stay open the entire term.
6. If you wish to drop a course, the student is responsible for initiating and completing the drop process. If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an 'F' in the course.
7. If you need to contact the instructor, you can send an e-mail to jliang@lit.edu. Your e-mail will be answered within 48 hours Monday – Thursday and within 72 hours Friday - Sunday.
8. Assignment may NOT be submitted via email.