



North Central State College

MASTER SYLLABUS

2025-2026

- A. Academic Division: Engineering Technology, Business & Criminal Justice Division
- B. Discipline: Information Technology - Networking
- C. Course Number and Title: ITEC2702 Certification Preparation for Security+
- D. Assistant Dean: Brooke Miller, M.B.A.
- E. Credit Hours: 1
- F. Prerequisites: Instructor Permission Required
- G. Last Course/Curriculum Revision Date: Fall 2025 Origin date: 02/17/2014
- H. Textbook(s) Title:
Security Pro (2014)
 - Author: TestOut
 - Copyright Year: 2014
 - ISBN: 9781935080442
- I. Workbook(s) and/or Lab Manual: None
- J. Course Description: This course, together with ITEC 1690, prepares the student to take the CompTIA Security+ exam, SY0-401.
- K. College-Wide Learning Outcomes:

College-Wide Learning Outcome	Assessments - - How it is met & When it is met
Communication – Written	
Communication – Speech	
Intercultural Knowledge and Competence	
Critical Thinking	
Information Literacy	
Quantitative Literacy	

- L. Course Outcomes and Assessment Methods:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student shall:

Outcomes	Assessments – How it is met & When it is met
1. Demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to pass CompTIA exam SY0-401.	Final exam, passing the certification exam taken during the semester by week 16.

M. Recommended Grading Scale:

Pass	Pass exam
Fail	Fail exam

N. College Procedures/Policies:

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SYLLABUS ADDENDUM

Academic Division:	Engineering Technology, Business & Criminal Justice Division	Discipline:	Information Technology - Networking
Course Coordinator:	Dr. Mohamed Ghonimy		
Course Number:	ITEC-2702-920	Course Title:	Certification Preparation for Security+
Semester / Session:	Fall 2026	Start / End Date:	1/12/2026 thru 5/8/2026

Instructor Information

Name:	Dr. Mohamed Ghonimy	Credentials:	Ph.D
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Office Location:	Kehoe 136	Office Hours:	M, W 2- 5

I. Topical Timeline / Course Calendar (Subject to Change):

Weeks	Topics	Assignment	Due Date
1	Security Concepts	LabSim CH-1	1/18/2026
2	Threats, Vulnerabilities, and Mitigations	LabSim CH-2	1/25/2026
3	Cryptographic Solutions	LabSim CH-3	2/1/2026
4	Identity and Access Management	LabSim CH-4	2/8/2026
5	Network Architecture	LabSim CH-5	2/15/2026
6	Resiliency and Site Security	LabSim CH-6	2/22/2026
7	Vulnerability Management	LabSim CH-7	3/1/2026
8	Mid-Term		
9	Network and Endpoint Security	LabSim CH-8	3/15/2026
10	Incident Response	LabSim CH-9	3/22/2026
11	Protocol, App, and Cloud Security	LabSim CH-10	3/29/2026
12	Security Governance Concepts	LabSim CH-11	4/5/2026
13	Risk Management Processes		4/12/2026
14	Data Protection and Compliance	LabSim CH-12	4/19/2026
15	CompTIA SEC+ Certification Exam	LabSim CH-13, CH-14 & CH-15	4/26/2026
16	Final Exam		5/7/2026

II. Grading and Testing Guidelines:

Final Grade Calculation

Activity	Qty	Points	Percentage
Quizzes	15	100	50
Labs	15	100	50

III. Examination Policy:

1. The reasons for which a student will be excused from taking an examination
 - a. Hospitalization (with documented verification)
 - b. Death in the immediate family (with documented verification)
 - c. Personal illness or illness in immediate family - (doctor's excuse required).
2. A student who misses an examination for any reason is responsible for
 - a. Studying all covered materials for the week
 - b. Doing homework
3. No makeup opportunity will be given for absences of unscheduled quizzes.

IV. Class Attendance and Homework Make-Up Policy:

1. Class attendance is necessary to acquire the knowledge required to succeed in this course. All students are required to attend all scheduled classes and examinations. Each faculty member has the right to establish regulations regarding attendance that he/she considers necessary for successful study.

Students who do not attend classes may be administratively withdrawn from those classes. However, failure to attend classes does not constitute withdrawal, and students are expected to process a formal withdrawal through the Student Records Office

2. Students are responsible for
 - a. Studying the covered material for the week
 - b. Do the homework

V. Classroom Expectations:

As a future professional in your field, you will be expected to conduct yourself as a professional in this course in ALL work and communications - be it assignments, discussion forums, Canvas Inbox, emails etc.

This includes but is not limited to:

Being respectful of classmates' opinions, work and comments

Good test = Is this something I would/should say to a co-worker in person?

Being respectful in communications with the instructor

Good test = Is this something I would/should say to my boss in the workplace?

Being respectful of diversity

Good test = Is this a comment/joke that is at some other groups, ethnicity, political etc. expense?

Note: Offensive "jokes", slurs or hate speech (Links to an external site.) will NOT be tolerated

Using Non-Profane, Appropriate Language

Good test = Is this language you would use in the workplace or in front of your grandmother?

Using proper. NON-"Text speak" Language to make Yourself Easily Understood

Good test = Could my older boss understand what I have written?

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Failure to conduct yourself as a professional and meet standards above in this course will result in the following consequences in this course:

1st Instance = Written warning from the instructor documenting issue

(No points deductions)

2nd offense = Mandatory meeting with the instructor and or Assistant Dean or Division Dean

(Related assignment/Participation subject to Point Deductions)

3rd offense: College Disciplinary procedures filed with the NC State Judicial Committee as a violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

(Course Grade subject to F)

Extreme or repeated unprofessional behavior will result in initiating college disciplinary procedures as outlined in the NC State Student Code of Conduct. (Links to an external site.) NCSC Disciplinary hearings can result in a variety of consequences, including and up to suspension or being expelled from the college.

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Please make sure you watch “Surviving active shooter” video and discuss with your instructor any concerns you have including classroom and building exits.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Z9zkU--FLQ>.