

# Information Systems Security

## SECR-5080

SU 2021 Section FR 3 Credits 05/31/2021 to 07/30/2021 Modified 03/31/2021

### Meeting Times

- Meeting time is every Wednesday, 6pm-10pm (1800-2200) EST.
- Due to the pandemic, we will meet using Zoom.
- Class times and links will be available in World Classroom

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### Description

Students examine the management of information security and data-processing facilities, including thefts of data, unauthorized uses of information technology, computer viruses, and methods of protecting information, with an emphasis on networked computers. The course covers information technology laws, issues of privacy, and security planning.

#### Requisites

None

### Outcomes

After completing this course, students should have an explanation of :

- concept of confidentiality, integrity, and availability as applied to Information Systems Security
- authentication, authorization, and permission as applies to security policy.
- protection theory and strategy as applied to networks, computer, and communication devices.
- managerial roles in securing the Information Systems environment.
- cryptography as it applies to networking, operating systems, and data storage.
- technical controls and devices used to achieve secure environments.
- managerial controls used to achieve secure environments
- policy theory, application, and practice.
- risk assessment of networked computers, networking devices, and organizational practices.
- security models to include application development, network infrastructure, and physical facility.
- disaster planning and disaster recover models.
- laws and issues of privacy.

In addition, students will:

- know and explain the important terminology, facts, concepts, principles, and theories used in the field of Business and Organizational Security Management. These will consist of the mandatory topics taught in the pre-requisite, advanced core courses, and integrative capstone course.

- apply the important terminology, facts, concepts, principles and theories in the field of Business and Organizational Security Management to analyze simple to moderately complex factual security situations.
- creatively construct and implement moderately complex Business and Organizational Security Management solutions to real organizational problems using frameworks procedures, and methods derived from the individual security discipline of Information Systems Security.
- assess the effectiveness of their solutions by quantitatively or qualitatively measuring their results against theory-based criteria and standards of performance.
- utilize themselves as scholar-practitioners, capable of creatively synthesizing intellectual explanation of security models with methodological competencies and experience-based perceptual skills and judgment.

## Required Textbook

### Management of Information Security

**Author:** Whitman and Mattord

**Publisher:** Cengage

**Edition:** 6th

**ISBN:** 978-1337405713

## Deliverables

In addition to class attendance and participation, there will be a mid-term, a final, and a small research paper.

The research paper will be 7-10 pages and will follow APA style guidelines. The APA is now using the 7th edition; please obtain the book or visit:

[https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research\\_and\\_citation/apa\\_style/apa\\_formatting\\_and\\_style\\_guide/apa\\_changes\\_7th\\_edition.html](https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_formatting_and_style_guide/apa_changes_7th_edition.html) for details.

## Evaluation

CLASS PARTICIPATION/ATTENDANCE	15%
RESEARCH PAPER	35%
MID-TERM	25%
FINAL EXAM	25%

## Schedule

WEEK	DATE	ASSIGNMENT/TOPICS	CHAPTER(S)
1	6/2/2021	Overview of Syllabus/Introduction to the Management of Information Security	1
2	6/9/2021	Compliance: Law and Ethics	2
3	6/16/2021	Governance and Strategic Planning for Security/Information Security Policy	3 & 4
4	6/23/2021	Developing the Security Program	5
5	6/30/2021	Mid-Term Exam (Via World Classroom - NO LECTURE)	N/A
6	7/7/2021	Risk Management: Assessing Risk/Risk Management: Treating Risk	6 & 7
7	7/14/2021	Security Management Models/Security Management Practices	8 & 9

8	7/21/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning for Contingencies/Security Maintenance/Protection Mechanisms</li> <li>• RESEARCH PAPER DUE</li> </ul>	10, 11, 12
9	7/28/2021	FINAL EXAM via World Classroom (NO LECTURE)	N/A

## \* Course Policies

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- Attendance and participation at all class sessions is expected.
- Reading Assignments: Students are expected to review assigned text chapters and key terms prior to scheduled classes.
- Exams: Given we are in a virtual environment, you will be able to use your books, notes, the Internet, and any other resource you can use. Just remember, exams are an individual effort.
- Papers: APA 7th edition format shall be used for the Research Paper. Remember references and in-text citations.
- Papers should be submitted via Turn-it-in/World Classroom. If you are unable to submit via Turn-it-in/World Classroom due to technical problems you may submit your paper via email to: [jjohnsoniv74@webster.edu](mailto:jjohnsoniv74@webster.edu).
- Late submissions: Generally speaking, I do not accept late work; however, if you have a serious/valid excuse, I will accept a late assignment with an automatic 10% penalty. (may be waived at instructor discretion, based on the specific situation.
- Please silence all cell phones during class (set to vibrate for emergency calls is acceptable).

## Institutional Policies

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### Academic Policies

Academic policies provide students with important rights and responsibilities. Students are expected to familiarize themselves with all academic policies that apply to them. Academic policies for undergraduate students can be found in the Undergraduate Studies Catalog; graduate students should review the Graduate Studies Catalog.

#### Undergraduate Studies Catalog

The Undergraduate Studies Catalog contains academic policies that apply to all undergraduate students. The *academic policies and information* section of the catalog contains important information related to **attendance, conduct, academic honesty, grades, and more**. If you are an undergraduate student, please review the catalog each academic year. The current Undergraduate Studies Catalog is at:

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/> (<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/>)

#### Graduate Studies Catalog

The Graduate Studies Catalog contains academic policies that apply to all graduate students. The *academic policies* section of the catalog contains important information related to **conduct, academic honesty, grades, and more**. If you are a graduate student, please review the catalog each academic year. The current Graduate Studies Catalog is at:

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/> (<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/>)

### Grading

The Grades section of the academic catalog outlines the various grading systems courses may use, including the information about the final grade reported for this class.

#### *Undergraduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grading>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grading>)

#### *Graduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grades>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grades>)

## Incomplete

There are important policies that govern grades of Incomplete (I), including the circumstances under which Incomplete grades are granted, deadlines for completion, and consequences should the remaining course work not be completed. It is the responsibility of a student who requests an Incomplete to ensure that he/she understands and follows the policies.

## Grade Appeals

Instructors are responsible for assigning grades, and student should discuss grade issues with the instructor. Policies and procedures for appealing grades are available in the appropriate catalog.

# Academic Honesty Policy

Webster University is committed to academic excellence. As part of our Statement of Ethics, we strive to preserve academic honor and integrity by repudiating all forms of academic and intellectual dishonesty, including cheating, plagiarism and all other forms of academic dishonesty. Academic dishonesty is unacceptable and is subject to a disciplinary response. Students are encouraged to talk to instructors about any questions they may have regarding how to properly credit others' work, including paraphrasing, quoting, and citation formatting. The university reserves the right to utilize electronic databases, such as Turnitin.com, to assist faculty and students with their academic work.

The University's Academic Honesty Policy is published in academic catalogs:

### *Undergraduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html>)

### *Graduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html>)

As a part of the University commitment to academic excellence, the Academic Resource Center provides student resources to become better acquainted with academic honesty and the tools to prevent plagiarism in its many forms:

[http://www.webster.edu/arc/plagiarism\\_prevention/](http://www.webster.edu/arc/plagiarism_prevention/) ([http://www.webster.edu/arc/plagiarism\\_prevention/](http://www.webster.edu/arc/plagiarism_prevention/))

# Statement of Ethics

Webster University strives to be a center of academic excellence. The University makes every effort to ensure the following:

- The opportunity for students to learn and inquire freely
- The protection of intellectual freedom and the rights of professors to teach
- The advancement of knowledge through scholarly pursuits and relevant dialogue

To review Webster University's statement of ethics, see the Undergraduate Studies Catalog and the Graduate and Studies Catalog:

### *Undergraduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/overview.html#ethics>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/overview.html#ethics>)

### *Graduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/ethics.html> (<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/ethics.html>)

# Contact Hours for this Course

It is essential that all classes meet for the full instructional time as scheduled. A class cannot be shortened in length. If a class session is cancelled for any reason, the content must be covered at another time.

# Important Academic Resources

### Academic Accommodations

Webster University makes every effort to accommodate individuals with academic/learning, health, physical and psychological disabilities. To obtain accommodations, students must identify themselves and provide documentation from a qualified professional or agency to the appropriate campus designee or the Academic ADA Coordinator at the main campus. The Academic ADA Coordinator may be reached at 314-246-7700 or [disability@webster.edu](mailto:disability@webster.edu) (<mailto:disability@webster.edu>).

If you have already identified as a student with a documented disability and are entitled to classroom or testing accommodations, please inform the instructor of the accommodations you will require for this class at the beginning of the course.

### Academic Resource Center

Additional support and resources may be accessed through the Academic Resource Center (ARC). Support and resources include academic counseling, accommodations, assistive technology, peer tutoring, plagiarism prevention, testing center services, and writing coaching. Visit [www.webster.edu/arc](http://www.webster.edu/arc) (<http://www.webster.edu/arc>) or Loretto Hall 40 on the main campus for more information.

### Student Success Portal

Webster University's Student Success Portal, powered by Starfish, is a communications tool to connect students with faculty members and campus support services. It allows faculty and staff members to communicate with you regarding academic achievements as well as areas where support may be helpful. You may use the portal to contact faculty and staff members for assistance and to arrange meetings. Activity in the portal will be communicated to your Webster University email account. The Student Success Portal is available via your course home page in WorldClassRoom or via Connections. Learn more about the Student Success Portal at <http://www.webster.edu/success/students.html> (<http://www.webster.edu/success/students.html>).

### University Library

Webster University Library is dedicated to supporting the research needs and intellectual pursuits of students throughout the University's worldwide network. Resources include print and electronic books, journal articles, online databases, DVDs and streaming video, CDs and streaming music, datasets, and other specialized information. Services include providing materials at no cost and research help for basic questions to in-depth exploration of resources. The gateway to all of these resources and services is <http://library.webster.edu> (<http://library.webster.edu/>). For support navigating the library's resources, see <http://libanswers.webster.edu/> (<http://libanswers.webster.edu/>) for the many ways to contact library staff.

## Drops and Withdrawals

Drop and withdrawal policies dictate processes for students who wish to unenroll from a course. Students must take proactive steps to unenroll; informing the instructor is not sufficient, nor is failing to attend. In the early days of the term or semester, students may DROP a course with no notation on their student record. After the DROP deadline, students may WITHDRAW from a course; in the case of a WITHDRAW, a grade of W appears on the student record. After the WITHDRAW deadline, students may not unenroll from a course. Policies and a calendar of deadlines for DROP and WITHDRAW are at:

#### *Undergraduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/enrollment.html>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/enrollment.html>)

#### *Graduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/enrollment.html>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/enrollment.html>)

Academic Calendar - <http://www.webster.edu/academics/academic-calendar/>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/academics/academic-calendar/>)

Current tuition rates, policies, and procedures, including details of pro-rated tuition refunds, are available in the "Tuition, Fees, and Refunds" section of Webster's Academic Catalogs:

#### *Undergraduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/tuition.html>  
(<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/tuition.html>)

### *Graduate*

<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/tuition.html> (<http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/tuition.html>)

## Student Handbook and Other Important Policies

Student handbook and other non-academic policies may apply to you and may impact your experience in this class. Such policies include the student code of conduct, privacy, technology and communications, and more. Please review the handbook each year and be aware of policies that apply to you. The handbook is available at:

<http://www.webster.edu/student-handbook/> (<http://www.webster.edu/student-handbook/>)

### Sexual Assault, Harassment, and Other Sexual Offenses

Webster University makes every effort to educate the community to prevent sexual assault, harassment, and other sexual offenses from occurring, and is committed to providing support to those affected when this behavior does occur. To access information and resources or to review the Policy on Sexual Assault, Harassment, and Other Sexual Offenses, visit:

<http://www.webster.edu/sexual-misconduct/> (<http://www.webster.edu/sexual-misconduct/>)

## Research on Human Subjects

The Webster University Institutional Review Committee (IRB) is responsible for the review of all research on human subjects. The IRB process applies to all Webster University faculty, staff, and students and must be completed prior to any contact with human subjects. For more information on the IRB, visit:

<http://www.webster.edu/irb/index.html> (<http://www.webster.edu/irb/index.html>)

## Course Evaluations

At the end of this course, you will have the opportunity to provide feedback about your experience. Your input is extremely valuable to the university, your instructor, and the department that offers this course. Please provide your honest and thoughtful evaluation, as it helps the university to provide the best experience possible for all of its students.

## Important Technology Information

### Connections Accounts

Webster University provides all students, faculty, and staff with a University email account through Connections. Students are expected to activate their Connections account and regularly check incoming University email. Students may choose to have their University email forwarded to an alternate email address. Connections account holders can call the Help Desk (314-246-5995 or toll free at 1-866-435-7270) for assistance with this setup. Instructions are also provided on the Information Technology website at:

<http://www.webster.edu/technology/service-desk/> (<http://www.webster.edu/technology/service-desk/>)

### WorldClassRoom

WorldClassRoom is Webster's Learning Content Management System (LMS). Your instructor may use WorldClassRoom to deliver important information, to hold class activities, to communicate grades and feedback, and more. WorldClassRoom is available using your Connections ID at:

<https://worldclassroom.webster.edu/> (<https://worldclassroom.webster.edu/>)

### Webster Alerts

Webster Alerts is the University's preferred emergency mass notification service, available free to current students, faculty and staff at all US campuses. By registering a valid cell phone number and email address, you will receive urgent campus text, voice mail and email communications. Valuable information concerning a range of incidents affecting you - from weather-related campus closures, class delays and cancellations, to more serious or life-threatening events - are immediately and simultaneously delivered through multiple communication channels. To register for Webster Alerts, visit:

## Campus Information

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