



Syllabus

SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTING
CS 223 Fundamentals of Linux Operating Systems II

5 Credits
Effective Date: Spring 2020

*Access to the Internet is required.
All written assignments must be in Microsoft-Word-compatible formats.
See the library's APA Style Guide tutorial for a list of resources that can help you use APA style.*

FACULTY

Faculty Name:

Contact Information: CONTACT INFORMATION

[INSTRUCTOR MAY INSERT PERSONAL MESSAGE IF DESIRED]

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course introduces students to foundational operating system and system administration concepts and guides students to put these concepts in practice by mastering skills in a Linux environment through a mix of lectures, knowledge checks, reflective exercises, virtual labs, and hands-on practice. Students learn Linux operating system concepts, master shell programming skills, and develop abilities to address both routine and exceptional administrative issues in a Linux environment. This course focuses on making Linux operating systems work for beginning-level system administrators.

Prerequisite

CS 123 Fundamentals of Linux Operating Systems I

COURSE RESOURCE

- Nufryk, J. and Garn, D. (2019). The Official CompTIA Linux+ Student Guide (Exam XK0-004) (ISBN: 978-1-64274-260-2)
- CompTIA Linux+ Practice Labs

CITYU LEARNING GOALS

This course supports the following City University learning goals:

- Professional competency and professional identity

COURSE OUTCOMES

In this course, learners:

- Analyze complex Linux system administration problems and apply system administration principles to identify solutions.
- Design, implement, and evaluate a system administration solution to meet a given set of Linux system administration requirements.
- Communicate effectively in a variety of system administration contexts.
- Recognize professional responsibilities and make informed judgments in system administration practices based on system security and ethical principles.
- Function effectively as a member or leader of a team engaged in activities associated with the system administration.

CORE CONCEPTS, KNOWLEDGE, AND SKILLS

Topics include:

- **Managing System Components**
 - Configure Localization options
 - Configure GUIs
 - Manage Services

- Troubleshoot Process Issues
- Troubleshoot CPU and Memory Issues
- **Managing Devices**
 - Identify the types of Linux Devices
 - Configure Devices
 - Monitor Devices
 - Troubleshoot CPU and Memory Issues
- **Managing Packages and Software**
 - Identify Package Managers
 - Manage RPM Packages with YUM
 - Manage Debian Packages with APT
 - Configure Repositories
 - Acquire Software
 - Build Software from Source Code
 - Troubleshoot Software Dependence Issues
- **Securing Linux Systems**
 - Implement Cybersecurity Best Practices
 - Implement Identity and Access Management Methods
 - Configure SELinux or AppArmor
 - Configure Firewalls
 - Implement Logging Services
 - Back Up, Restore, and Verify Data
- **Working with Bash Scripts**
 - Customize the Bash shell Environment
 - Identify Scripting and Programming Fundamentals
 - Write and Execute a simple Bash Script
 - Incorporate Control Statements in Bash Scripts
- **Automating Tasks**
 - Schedule Jobs
 - Implement Version Control Using Git
 - Identify Orchestration Concepts
- **Installing Linux**
 - Prepare for Linux Installation
 - Perform the Installation

OVERVIEW OF COURSE GRADING

The grades earned for the course will be derived using City University of Seattle's decimal grading system, based on the following:

OVERVIEW OF REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS	% OF FINAL GRADE	POINTS
The Muddiest Point (MP)	5%	50 = 5 points * 10 modules
Concept Test (CT)	5%	50 = 5 points * 10 modules
Discussion Board (DB)	10%	100 = 10 points * 10 modules
Virtual Lab (VL)	50%	500 = 50 points * 10 modules
Knowledge Check (KC)	10%	100 = 10 points * 10 modules

Team Project (TP)	20%	Proposal: 30 points Progress: 70 points Final Report: 70 points Final PPT: 30 points Subtotal: 200 points
TOTAL	100%	1,000 points

The following approaches are used for developing this course content:

Assessment

- Summative Assessment. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Summative_assessment
- Formative Assessment. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Formative_assessment

Classroom Assessment Techniques

- The Muddiest Point. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Classroom_Assessment_Techniques

Active Learning. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Active_learning

- Flipped Classroom. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flipped_classroom
- Just-in-time Teaching (JiTT). https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Just-in-time_teaching
- Peer Instruction. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peer_instruction

Learning Theory

- Learning-by-doing. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Learning-by-doing>
- Project-Based Learning (PBL). https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Project-based_learning
- Social Learning. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Social_learning_\(social_pedagogy\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Social_learning_(social_pedagogy))

Evidence-Based Practice (EBP). https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Evidence-based_practice

- Pair Programming. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pair_programming
- Stand-up Meeting. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stand-up_meeting
- Agile Software Development. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Agile_software_development

SPECIFICS OF COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

The instructor will provide grading rubrics that will provide more detail as to how this assignment will be graded.

Muddiest Point (MP)

Before class, students are required to finish the muddiest point activity. This activity is designed to stimulate student engagement in class. Also, the instructor uses feedbacks of the Muddiest Point in preparation for the classroom lecture to implement Just-in-Time Teaching (JiTT). This activity consists of writing a brief reflective essay (<= 50 words) in which students identify the most confusing part (i.e. the muddiest point) of the content covered in the upcoming module. If you do not have MP, you can explain the most interesting point. In addition, students will answer one multiple choice question from the required reading to determine students' grasp of core concepts.

<i>Components</i>	<i>% of Grade</i>
Quality Participation: Meets requirements in a timely manner	60%
Writing: Is clear, concise, and grammatically correct.	20%
Accuracy: Answers quizzes correctly	20%

TOTAL	100%
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Concept Test (CT)

In class, students may be required to answer questions called Concept Tests, which allows peer to teach other, i.e. Peer Instruction. 1) Instructor poses question based on students' responses to their pre-class reading. 2) Students reflect on the question. 3) Students commit to an individual answer. 4) Instructor reviews student responses without giving the correct answer to the students. 5) Students discuss their thinking and answers with their peers. 6) Students then commit again to an individual answer. 7) The instructor again reviews responses and decides whether more explanation is needed before moving on to the next concept. Any participating students will earn their 100% grade.

<i>Components</i>	<i>% of Grade</i>
Quality Participation: Meets requirements in a timely manner	100%
TOTAL	100%

Discussion Board (DB)

All classes are required to use the Discussion Board. Participation through DB is an integral part of this course and is defined as active engagement in a discussion or other activity. Instructors will determine the type of activities and their due dates; moreover, different DB activities will have different guidelines with regard to substance and length. The instructor will provide specific instructions to students.

A discussion question or topic from the instructor appears weekly in the Discussion Board. Students are to post their answers as well as responses to two other students' responses in the DB by the end of each module. The DB is to help promote student to student engagement. The instructor may not respond to each posting. Questions or comments that are specifically for the instructor, should be emailed directly to the instructor or posted in the Question and Answer Forum. Students who want to talk with other students about issues unrelated to the discussion forums should use the Coffee Talk Forum.

Although the tone of your DB postings can be informal, your instructor will expect the content to be on a professional level. In other words, your comments and questions for discussion should be clear and thoughtful, with correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation. As with written assignments, the quality of your discussion postings will be graded on both content and presentation.

<i>Components</i>	<i>% of Grade</i>
Quality Participation: Meets requirements in a timely manner	80%
Writing: Is clear, concise, and grammatically correct.	20%
TOTAL	100%

Virtual Lab (VL)

Students may complete cloud-based labs that support the concepts taught within this course. The virtual labs deliver an online-based environment using cutting edge technology. These VLs provide a fully immersive mock system administration infrastructure enabling students to test their skills with realistic scenarios.

The VLs involve the viewing of instructional documents and following step-by-step instructions. Activities are embedded within each lab; these activities present a challenge to complete. Each lab will be graded on accuracy and writing. The student has unlimited attempts at each lab to increase their accuracy and earn skills. Students are required to write their understandings and findings in their lab report.

<i>Components</i>	<i>% of Grade</i>
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Accuracy: Answers questions correctly	80%
Writing: Is clear, concise, and grammatically correct.	20%
TOTAL	100%

Knowledge Check (KC)

Students will complete weekly quizzes that are from the course content to reflect on what they have learned in the course. Completing all KCs will help ensure that you successfully master the concepts in this course. The best way for you to gain a thorough understanding of the underlying concepts is to apply those concepts to solve the quizzes. You should focus on the underlying principles, rather than just memorizing information.

<i>Components</i>	<i>% of Grade</i>
Accuracy: Answers questions correctly.	100%
TOTAL	100%

Team Project (TP)

Each student can select his or her own team. Each team consists of three students. A team of less than three students requires instructor's approval. Each team will use an instructor approved topic relevant to the course. For effective project management, an agile software development process, Scrum, is used.

Three submissions are required according to the following schedule:

- Proposal (1 slide; 30 points) - Starting & Ending (Module 1)
- Progress (2-6 slides; 70 points) - Starting (Module 2) & Ending (Module 5)
- Final (7-13 slides; 100 points) - Starting (Module 6) & Ending (Module 10)

Students are expected and encouraged to use the assigned readings, videos, and other materials used throughout the quarter on this project. Students will need to utilize additional sources that were not assigned by the professor. While stylized after an industry report; nonetheless, students are expected to employ APA formatting of citations, footnotes, and bibliography. Students must cite the sources of all ideas, facts, and information used that are not their own, even if they have put the information into their own words. Failure to do so is plagiarism, even if the oversight is unintentional.

<i>Components</i>	<i>% of Grade</i>
Structure: Consists of the required report elements.	5%
Content: Demonstrates critical analysis and synthesis of concepts.	30%
Reference: Is pertinent to the topic and cited properly.	5%
Writing: Is clear, concise, and grammatically correct.	10%
Visual Presentation: Is well designed, legible, and persuasive.	30%
Team Collaboration: Is based on peer review	20%
TOTAL	100%

COURSE POLICIES

Late Assignments

LATE ASSIGNMENT

Participation

PARTICIPATION

Professional Writing

Assignments require error-free writing that uses standard English conventions and logical flow of organization to address topics clearly, completely, and concisely. CityU requires the use of APA style.

UNIVERSITY POLICIES

You are responsible for understanding and adhering to all of City University of Seattle's academic policies. The most current versions of these policies can be found in the [University Catalog](#) that is linked from the CityU Web site.

Scholastic Honesty

Scholastic honesty in students requires the pursuit of scholarly activity that is free from fraud, deception and unauthorized collaboration with other individuals. You are responsible for understanding CityU's policy on scholastic honesty and adhering to its standards in meeting all course requirements. A complete copy of this policy can be found in the [University Catalog](#) in the section titled *Scholastic Honesty* under *Student Rights & Responsibilities*.

Attendance

Students taking courses in any format at the University are expected to be diligent in their studies and to attend class regularly.

Regular class attendance is important in achieving learning outcomes in the course and may be a valid consideration in determining the final grade. For classes where a physical presence is required, a student has attended if s/he is present at any time during the class session. For online classes, a student has attended if s/he has posted or submitted an assignment. A complete copy of this policy can be found in the [University Catalog](#) in the section titled *Attendance Policy for Mixed Mode, Online and Correspondence Courses*.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Disability Resources

If you are a student with a disability and you require an accommodation, please contact the Disability Resource Office as soon as possible. For additional information, please see the section in the [University Catalog](#) titled *Students with Special Needs* under *Student Rights & Responsibilities*.

Library Services

CityU librarians are available to help you find the resources and information you need to succeed in this course. Contact a CityU librarian through the [Ask a Librarian](#) service, or access [library resources and services online](#), 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Smarthinking

As a CityU student, you have access to 10 free hours of online tutoring offered through Smarthinking, including writing support, from certified tutors 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Contact CityU's Student Support Center at help@cityu.edu to request your user name and password.