

CIS 521/421
Introduction to Information Assurance

Text *Management of Information Security* by Whitman and Mattord 2nd Edition
Lecture notes posted on Blackboard

Course Objective and Overview:

This course is designed to give students an understanding of information assurance concepts. The course is rigorous. You are advised to pay careful attention to the class lectures and especially sample problems and lab exercises. Exam questions are based primarily on the material covered in class and are designed to test your *understanding of the underlying concepts of information assurance*. Note we will cover information security management and the Common Body of Knowledge of the CISSP Exam. I urge you to ask questions if you don't understand. You can come during my office hours, email me or (better yet, since everyone will benefit) ask in class. *There are not any dumb questions in this course*. You have to make sure there are no vague areas in your knowledge *before* exams. A discussion board will be used for this course in which questions can be asked in this course. I will answer questions on this board for topics in class lecture and in class projects. You will be surprised at how many of your questions may be addressed in this format.

There is a lot of material in the course and it's sufficiently different from all other MIS topics that most of you will find it very confusing at first. This course deals directly with networks, security, and uses hardware and software for information assurance. You will have to work hard to get an A in the class. On the other hand, many people do get an A in my class so hard work does pay off.

Course Objectives:

Recognize the importance of the manager's role in securing an organization's use of information technology, and understand who is responsible for protecting an organization's information assets

Know and understand the definition and key characteristics of information security

Know and understand the definition and key characteristics of leadership and management

Recognize the characteristics that differentiate information security management from general management

Recognize the importance of planning and describe the principal components of organizational planning

Know and understand the principal components of information security system implementation planning as it functions within the organizational planning scheme

Understand the need for contingency planning

Know the major components of contingency planning

Create a simple set of contingency plans, using business impact analysis

Prepare and execute a test of contingency plans
Understand the unified contingency plan approach
Define information security policy and understand its central role in a successful Information security program
Recognize the three major types of information security policy and know what goes into each type
Develop, implement, and maintain various types of information security policies
Recognize and understand the organizational approaches to information security
List and describe the functional components of the information security program
Determine how to plan and staff an organization's information security program based on its size
Evaluate the internal and external factors that influence the activities and organization of an information security program
List and describe the typical job titles and functions performed in the information security program
Describe the components of a security education, training, and awareness program, and understand how organizations create and manage these programs
Recognize the dominant information security management models, including U.S. government-sanctioned models, and customize them for your organization's needs
Implement the fundamental elements of key information security management practices
Follow emerging trends in the certification and accreditation of U.S. federal IT systems
Define risk management and its role in the organization
Begin using risk management techniques to identify and prioritize risk factors for information assets
Assess risk based on the likelihood of adverse events and the effects on information assets when events occur
Begin to document the results of risk identification
Recognize and select from the risk mitigation strategy options to control risk
Evaluate the risk control classification categories
Understand how to maintain and perpetuate risk controls
Understand the OCTAVE Method and other approaches to managing risk
Describe the various access control approaches, including authentication, authorization, and biometric access controls
Identify the various types of firewalls and the common approaches to firewall implementation
Recognize the current issues in dial-up access and protection
Identify and describe the types of intrusion detection systems and the two strategies on which they are based
Explain cryptography and the encryption process, and compare and contrast symmetric and asymmetric encryption
Identify the skills and requirements for information security positions
Recognize the various information security professional certifications, and identify which skills are encompassed by each
Understand and implement information security constraints on the general hiring processes
Understand the role of information security in employee terminations

Describe the security practices used to control employee behavior and prevent misuse of information

In Class Labs – We will conduct four in class labs using more extensive software. These labs will be conducted in pairs. Again, you will be asked to answer a series of questions concerning your findings in the lab. PLEASE NOTE THE DISCLAIMER AND WHITE HAT AGREEMENT BELOW.

- In Class Lab 1 – Passwords and Password Cracking
- In Class Lab 2 – Port Scanning (Tenable Nessus, Saint)
- In Class Lab 3 – Packet Sniffing (Wireshark, Air Pcap Air Snort)
- In Class Lab 4 – Vulnerability Testing (Tenable Nessus, Saint)

Paper – Each student will be required to write a 6-10 page paper concerning a relevant information assurance topic. This paper will provide either a description of an existing information assurance problem and a proposed solution or a new technology and its possible application in the information assurance field.

Presentation - Each student will be required to present their paper topic to the class in a 5-6 minute presentation using PowerPoint. No formal dress is required for the presentation.

Evaluation

The final course grade will be computed from the following inputs:

In Class Labs (Pairs)	10%	
Exam 1	20%	
Exam 2	20%	3 Tests = 60%
Final Exam	20%	
Paper	10%	
Presentation	5%	
Research Paper	10%	
Class Participation	10%	

TOTAL	100%	

The final course grade will be determined as follows:

90 or above	A
80-89.99	B
70-79.99	C
60-69.99	D
Less than 60%	F

White Hat Agreement – In this course, we will be using software that has the ability to intrude, disrupt and disable networks. The software is a tool to perform tasks that allow the gathering of information concerning vulnerabilities of computer systems and networks. By taking this course, you will gain expertise and experience with this software. In doing so, you must adhere to legal rules and regulations and only use the software and capabilities where permissions have been granted basically only within this course. Note great damage can be caused by using these tools outside the environment of the course. Any violations of these responsibilities in this course will result in an immediate withdrawal and F for a course grade. No EXCEPTIONS.

Tentative Course Schedule

Date	Scheduled
W1	Class Introduction Introduction to Management of Information Security Module 1 Whitman and Mattord Chapter 1 1.1 Comprehensive Model of Information Systems Security 1.1a NSTISS Model 1.2 Critical Characteristics of Information 1.2a Critical Information Characteristics - Confidentiality 1.2b Critical information characteristics - Integrity 1.2c Critical Information Characteristics - availability 1.3 Key Terms 1.3a Privacy 1.3b Identification 1.3c Authentication 1.3d Authorization 1.3e Accountability 1.4 Information States 1.4a Information States - Processing 1.4b Information States - Storage 1.4c Information States - Transmission 1.5 Threats 1.6 Vulnerabilities 1.7 Security Measures 1.7a Security Countermeasures - Education, Training and Awareness 1.7b Security Countermeasures - Policy, Procedures and Practices 1.7c Security Countermeasures - Technology
W2	Module 2 Planning for Security Whitman and Mattord Chapter 2 2.1 Planning For Information Security Implementation 2.2 CISO Job Description

- 2.3 Planning for InfoSec
- 2.4 The Systems Development Life Cycle (SDLC)
 - 2.4a Requirements Definition (e.g., architecture)
 - 2.4b Development
 - 2.4c Demonstration and Validation (testing)
 - 2.4d Implementation
 - 2.4e Operations and Maintenance (e.g., configuration management)
 - 2.4f Security (e.g., certification and accreditation)
- 2.5 Systems Life Cycle Management
 - 2.5a Acquisition
 - 2.5b Design Review and Systems Test Performance (ensure required safeguards are operationally adequate)
 - 2.5c Determination of Security Specifications
 - 2.5d Evaluation of Sensitivity of the Application Based upon Risk Analysis
 - 2.5e Management Control Process (ensure that appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards are incorporated into all new applications and into significant modifications to existing applications)
 - 2.5f Systems Certification and Accreditation Process
- 2.6 Key Terms
 - 2.6a Attack
 - 2.6b Threat Agent
 - 2.6c Exploit
 - 2.6d Vulnerability
- 2.7 Common Attacks
- 2.8 SETA
- 2.9 Operational Controls
- 2.10 Technical Controls
- 2.11 Contingency Planning
- 2.12 Physical Security
- 2.13 Staffing the InfoSec Function
- 2.14 InfoSec Professionals
 - 2.14a InfoSec Professionals Roles
- 2.15 Maintenance Model
- 2.16 Security Management Model

In Class Lab 1 – Passwords

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- Module 3 Planning for Contingencies
- Whitman and Mattord Chapter 3
- 3.1 Contingency Planning
- 3.2 Contingency Planning Components
- 3.3 Business Impact Analysis (BIA)
- 3.4 Business Impact Analysis (BIA) Stages

- 3.4a Threat attack identification
- 3.4b Business unit analysis
- 3.4c Attack success scenarios
- 3.4d Potential damage assessment
- 3.4e Subordinate plan classification
- 3.5 Incident Response Plan
 - 3.5a Before the Incident
 - 3.5b During the Incident
 - 3.5c After the Incident
- 3.6 Incident Detection
 - 3.7a Incident Indicators: Possible Indicators
 - 3.7b Incident Indicators: Probable Indicators
 - 3.7c Incident Indicators: Definite Indicators
- 3.8 Incident Response
 - 3.9a Notification of Key Personnel
 - 3.9b Documenting an Incident
 - 3.9c Incident Containment Strategies
 - 3.9d Incident Escalation
 - 3.9e Initiating Incident Recovery
 - 3.9f After Action Review
- 3.10 Disaster Recovery
 - 3.11 Disaster Classifications
 - 3.12 Planning for Disaster
 - 3.13 Crisis Management
 - 3.14 Responding to the Disaster
 - 3.15 Business Continuity Planning (BCP)
 - 3.16 Continuity Strategies
 - 3.17 Off-Site Disaster Data Storage

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- Access Control Module 4
- Whitman and Mattord Chapter 9
 - 4.1 Control Types
 - 4.2 Administrative Controls
 - 4.3 Technical Controls - Prevention
 - 4.4 Technical Controls - Detective
 - 4.5 Physical Controls - Preventive
 - 4.6 Physical Controls - Detective
 - 4.7 Access Control Services
 - 4.7a Authentication
 - 4.7b Authorization
 - 4.7c Accountability
 - 4.7d Identification
 - 4.8 System Access Controls - Authentication
 - 4.9 Two Factor Authentication
 - 4.10 Password Controls – Best Practices
 - 4.11 Physical Access Controls

- 4.12 Logical Access Controls
- 4.13 Biometrics Ratings Measures
- 4.14 Common Physiological Biometric Access Control Systems
 - 4.14a Finger Scan Systems
 - 4.14b Hand Geometry Systems
 - 4.14c Retina Patterns
 - 4.14d Iris Patterns
 - 4.14e Voice Recognition
 - 4.14f Signature Dynamic Systems
- 4.15 Access Control Tokens
- 4.16 Single Sign On
- 4.17 Kerberos
- 4.18 Centralized Access Controls
 - 4.18a LDAP
 - 4.18b RAS
 - 4.18c RADIUS
 - 4.18d DIAMETER
 - 4.18e TACACS
- 4.19 Methods of Attack

In Class Lab 2 – Port Scanning

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Information Security Policy Module 5
Whitman and Mattord Chapter 4

- 5.1 Policies
 - 5.1a Directives and procedures for NSTISS policy (*or organizational policies*)
 - 5.1b NSTISS program budget
 - 5.1c NSTISS program evaluation
 - 5.1d NSTISS training (content and audience definition)
- 5.2 Bulls Eye Model
- 5.3 Standards
- 5.4 Procedures
- 5.5 Guidelines
- 5.6 Enterprise Information Security Policy (EISP)
 - 5.6a AIS Equipment Purchase and Maintenance
 - 5.6b Telecommunications Equipment Purchase and Maintenance
 - 5.6c Points of Contact
 - 5.6d Roles and Responsibilities
- 5.7 Issue-Specific Security Policy (ISSP)
 - 5.7a Points of Contact
 - 5.7b Roles and Responsibilities
- 5.8 Systems-Specific Policy (SysSP)
 - 5.8a Application Dependent Guidance
 - 5.8b Policy
 - 5.8c Roles and Responsibilities
 - 5.8d Points of Contact

- 5.9 Access Control Lists
- 5.10 Guidelines for Policy Development
- Risk Management Module 6
- Whitman and Mattord Chapter 8
- 6.1 Risk Control Strategies
 - 6.1a Avoidance
 - 6.1b Transference
 - 6.1c Mitigation
 - 6.1d Acceptance
- 6.2 Evaluation, Assessment, and Maintenance of Risk Controls
- 6.3 Risk Control Strategy Selection
- 6.4 Feasibility Studies and Cost Benefit Analysis
- 6.5 The OCTAVE Method
- 6.6 Operation Security (OPSEC)
- 6.7 INFOSEC and OPSEC interdependency
- 6.8 OPSEC process
- 6.9 OPSEC surveys/OPSEC planning
- 6.10 unclassified indicators
- 6.11 Microsoft Risk Management Approach

Exam 1

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- Developing the Security Program Module 7
- Whitman and Mattord Chapter 5
- 7.1 Organizing for Security
- 7.2 Organizational Security Variables
 - 7.2a Organizational Culture
 - 7.2b Size
 - 7.2c Security Personnel Budget
 - 7.2d Security Capital Budget
- 7.3 Very Large Organizations More than 10,000 Computers
- 7.4 Large Organizations 1,000 to 10,000 computers
- 7.5 Medium-Sized Organizations 100 to 1,000 Computers
- 7.6 Small Organizations 10 to 100 Computers
- 7.7 Information Security Roles
- 7.8 Implementing Security Education, Training, and Awareness (SETA) Programs
- Application Security Module 8
- 8.1 Distributed Applications Security
- 8.2 Agents
- 8.3 Applets
- 8.4 Object Oriented Environments
- 8.5 Object Oriented Environments Terms
- 8.6 Database Security
- 8.7 System Development Lifecycle
- 8.8 Lifecycle Phases

- 8.9 Change Management
- 8.10 Configuration Management
- 8.11 Application Security Controls
- 8.12 Supervisor and User Modes
- 8.13 Service Level Agreements
- 8.14 Assurance
- 8.15 Configuration Management
 - 8.15a Configuration Management (change controls)
 - 8.15b Configuration Management (documentation)
 - 8.15c Configuration management (programming standards and controls)
- 8.16 Software Security Mechanisms
 - 8.16a Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (access privileges)
 - 8.16b Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (application security features)
 - 8.16c Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (audit trails and logging)
 - 8.16d Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (concept of least privilege)
 - 8.16e Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (identification and authentication)
 - 8.16f Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (internal labeling)
 - 8.16g Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (malicious logic protection)
 - 8.16h Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (need-to-know controls)
 - 8.16i Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (operating systems security features)
 - 8.16j Software Security Mechanisms to Protect Information (segregation of duties)

In Class Lab 3 – Packet Sniffing

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Security Management Models and Practices Module 9
Whitman and Mattord Chapter 6

- 9.1 ISO/IEC 17799:2005
- 9.2 SANS SCORE and ISO/IEC 17799
- 9.3 The Eleven Sections Of ISO/IEC 17799
- 9.4 ISO/IEC 27001:2005 – The InfoSec Management System
- 9.5 BS7799:2 – Plan-Do-Check-Act
- 9.6 NIST Security Models
- 9.7 NIST SP 800-12 The Computer Security Handbook
- 9.8 NIST Special Publication 800-14 Generally Accepted Principles and Practices for Securing Information Technology Systems

9.9 NIST Special Publication 800-18 A Guide for Developing Security Plans for Information Technology Systems
9.10 NIST Special Publication 800-26 17 Areas Defining the core of the NIST Security Management Structure
9.11 NIST Special Publication 800-30 Risk Management Guide for Information Technology Systems
9.12 RFC 2196 Site Security Handbook
9.13 Control Objectives for Information and related Technology (COBIT)
9.14 Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO)
9.15 Security Management Practices
9.16 Standards of Due Care/Due Diligence
9.17 The Gold Standard
9.18 Selecting Best Practices
9.19 Benchmarking and Best Practices Limitations
9.20 Baselineing
9.21 Metrics in InfoSec Management
9.22 SP 800-37 Guidelines for Security C & A of Federal IT Systems
9.23 SP 800-53: Minimum Security Controls for Federal IT Systems
9.24 Communications Security
9.25 Employee Accountability for Agency Information
9.26 Protection of Information
In Class Lab 4 – Vulnerability Testing

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Cryptography Module 10
Whitman and Mattord Chapter 9
10.1 Role of Cryptography in Information Security
10.2 Classes of Ciphers
10.3 Types of Ciphers
10.4 Modern Ciphers
10.5 Cryptosystem
10.5a Cryptovvariable or Key
10.5b Electronic Key Management System
10.6 Cryptoalgorithm
10.7 Encryption and Decryption
10.7a End to End
10.7b Link
10.7c Network
10.8 Disposable Cipher
10.9 Cryptography Alternatives
10.9a Steganography
10.9b Digital Watermarking
10.10 Symmetric Key Cryptography

- 10.10a Process
- 10.10b Advantages
- 10.10c Disadvantages
- 10.11 Symmetric Methods
 - 10.11a Data Encryption Standard (DES)
 - 10.11b Triple DES
 - 10.11c Advanced Encryption Standard
 - 10.11d Rijndael Block Cipher
 - 10.11e Twofish algorithm
 - 10.11f IDEA Cipher
 - 10.11g RC5
- 10.12 Asymmetric key cryptography
 - 10.12a Process
 - 10.12b Advantages
 - 10.12c Disadvantages
- 10.13 Asymmetric key cryptography – Methods
 - 10.13a RSA
 - 10.13b Diffie Hellman Key Exchange
 - 10.13c El Gamal
 - 10.13d Merkel Hellman Trapdoor Knapsack
 - 10.13e Elliptic Curve
- 10.14 Message Authentication Methods
 - 10.14a Digital Signatures
 - 10.14b Message Digest
 - 10.14c MD5
 - 10.14d SHA-1
 - 10.14e HMAC
- 10.15 Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)
 - 10.15a Process
 - 10.15b Key Management Functions
- 10.16 Key Strength
- 10.16 Email Security Applications
- 10.17 Internet Security applications

In Class Lab 5 - Forensics

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- Protection Mechanisms Module 11
- Whitman and Mattord Chapter 9
- 11.1 Organizational Equipment
 - 11.1a Access Control
 - 11.1b Telecommunications Hardware
 - 11.1c Telecommunications Software
 - 11.1d AIS Firmware
 - 11.1e AIS Hardware
 - 11.1f AIS Software

- 11.2 Firewalls
- 11.3 Firewall Architectures
- 11.4 Packet Filtering
- 11.5 DMZ
 - 11.5a Trust
 - 11.5b Assurance
 - 11.5c Mechanism
 - 11.5d Policy
- 11.6 Managing Firewalls
- 11.7 Firewall Best Practices
- 11.8 Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS)
 - 11.8a Host Based
 - 11.8b Network Based
 - 11.8c Signature Based
 - 11.8d Statistical Anomaly-Based IDS
- 11.9 Managing Intrusion Detection Systems
- 11.10 Dial-Up Protection
- 11.11 RADIUS and TACACS
- 11.12 Managing Dial-Up Connections
- 11.13 Scanning and Analysis Tools
- 11.14 Wireless Networking Protection
- 11.15 WEP
- 11.16 WPA
- 11.17 Port Scanners
- 11.18 Vulnerability Scanners
- 11.19 Packet Sniffers
- 11.20 Managing Scanning and Analysis Tools
- 11.21 Emanation Security
- 11.22 Transmission Security
 - 11.22a Transmission Security Countermeasures
- 11.23 Modes of Operation
 - 11.23a Compartmented/Partitioned
 - 11.23b Dedicated
 - 11.23c Multilevel
 - 11.23d System-high
- 11.24 TEMPEST Security
 - 11.24a Attenuation
 - 11.24b Banding
 - 11.24c Cabling
 - 11.24d Filtered power
 - 11.24e Grounding
 - 11.24f Shielding
 - 11.24g TEMPEST Separation
 - 11.24h Zone of control/zoning

In Class Lab 6 - Forensics

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Personnel and Security Module 12
Whitman and Mattord Chapter 10
12.1 Staffing the Security Function
12.2 Qualifications and Requirements
12.3 Entering the Information Security Profession
12.4 Information Security Career Paths
12.5a CISO: Qualifications and Position Requirements
12.5b Security Manager Qualifications and Position Requirements
12.5c Technician Qualifications and Position Requirements
12.6 Employment Policies and Practices
12.6a Security Clearances
12.7 Hiring
12.8 Common Background Checks
12.9 Contracts and Employment
12.10 Security as Part of Performance Evaluation
12.10a Security Training
12.11 Termination Issues
12.11a Hostile Departure
12.11b Friendly Departure
12.12 Personnel Security Practices
12.12a Reporting of Security Violations
12.13 Security of Personnel and Personal Data
12.14 Security Considerations for Non-employees
12.14a Temporary Workers
12.14b Contract Employees
12.14c Consultants

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Operations Security Module 13
13.1 Privilege Entry Controls
13.2 Files Sensitive Labels
13.3 Clearances
13.4 Password Handling and Policy
13.4a Password Protection
13.5 Account Characteristics
13.6 Resource Protection
13.6a Area Protection
13.6b Facilities
13.6c Hardware
13.6d Software
13.6e Documentation
13.7 Threats to Operations
13.7a Disclosure
13.7b Destruction
13.7c Interruption

- 13.7d Corruption and Modification
- 13.7e Theft
- 13.7f Espionage
- 13.7g Hackers
- 13.8 Control Types
 - 13.8a Prevention
 - 13.8b Detection
 - 13.8c Corrective
 - 13.8d Recovery
 - 13.8e Deterrent
- 13.9 Control Methods
 - 13.9a Separation of Responsibilities
 - 13.9b Least Privilege
 - 13.9c Job Rotation
 - 13.9d Audits and Review
- 13.10 Media Protection
 - 13.10a Magnetic Storage Protection
- 13.11 Object Reuse
- 13.12 Sensitive Media Handling
 - 13.12a Marking
 - 13.12b Handling
 - 13.12c Storing
 - 13.12d Destruction
 - 13.12e Declassification
 - 13.12f Sanitization
 - 13.12g Transportation
- 13.13 Continuity of Operations
 - 13.13a Data and File Protection
 - 13.13b Back Up of Data and Files
 - 13.13c Software
 - 13.13d Hardware
 - 13.13e Data Communication Protection
 - 13.13f Facilities
 - 13.13g Equipment Protection
 - 13.13h Protection of Keying Material
 - 13.13i Voice Communication Protection
- Physical Security Module 14
 - 14.1 Site Location
 - 14.2 Layered Defense Model
 - 14.3 Infrastructure Support Systems
 - 14.4 Fire Safety Controls
 - 14.4a Prevention
 - 14.4b Detection
 - 14.4c Suppression
 - 14.5 Boundary Protection
 - 14.5 Building Entry Points

14.6 Area Protection

14.6a Keys and Locking Systems

14.6b Walls, Doors, and Windows

14.6c Access Controls

14.6d Closed Circuit TV

14.6e Intrusion Detection Systems

14.6f Portable Device Security

Final Exam