I. Course Description

This course will introduce basic concepts of computer security: confidentiality, integrity, availability, policy and enforcement --- cryptography and system-based access control mechanisms, and security assurance.

II. Text

Computer Security --- Art and Science
By Matt Bishop

III. Anticipated Course of Action

Intro:  Chapter 1: An Overview of Computer Security

Policy:  Chapter 2: Access Control (2.1-2.2)
        Chapter 4: Security Policies (4.1-4.4)

Cryptography:  Chapter 9: Basic Cryptography
                Chapter 10: Key Management (10.1-10.2)
                Chapter 11: Cipher Techniques (11.3)
                Chapter 12: Authentication

Noncryptographic Mechanisms (Systems):  Chapter 13: Design Principles
                                        Chapter 14: Representing Identity (14.1-14.4)
                                        Chapter 15: Access Control Mechanisms (15.1-15.2)

Assurance:  Chapter 18: Introduction to Assurance

IV. Evaluation
Class participation  10%
Homeworks         20%  (Late will be 20% penalized for each day)
Two Quizzes        20%
Midterm            20%
Final Examination  30%  (Comprehensive)

Ethical Responsibilities: Students are also expected to demonstrate ethical policies and practices in the course. Cheating will not be tolerated (zero Tolerance) If caught, you will receive a zero.

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