



COURSE OUTLINE

ICT703 Network Technology and Management

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USC Southbank

ON CAMPUS

Most of your course is on campus but you may be able to do some components of this course online.

Online

ONLINE 1

You can do this course without coming onto campus.

Please go to the USC website for up to date information on the teaching sessions and campuses where this course is usually offered.

1. What is this course about?

1.1. Description

As ICT has become embedded into the infrastructure of our world, there is an expectation that we will be able to be connected to online content through a medium of our choice and at any location. This course will give you the knowledge required to understand the protocols and standards used in networking and how to ensure continuity of service.

1.2. How will this course be delivered?

ACTIVITY	HOURS	BEGINNING WEEK	FREQUENCY
ON CAMPUS			
Lecture	1hr	Not applicable	Not Yet Determined
Tutorial/Workshop	2hrs	Not applicable	Not Yet Determined
ONLINE 1			
Tutorial/Workshop – Interactive zoom tutorial	2hrs	Not applicable	11 times
Online – Pre-recorded concept videos and associated activity	1hr	Not applicable	12 times

1.3. Course Topics

Week	Topic
1	Introduction to networking
2	How Computers Find Each Other on Networks
3	How Data Is Transported Over Networks
4	Structured Cabling and Networking Elements
5	Network Cabling
6	Wireless Networking
7	Cloud Computing and Remote Access
8	Network Risk Management
9	Unified Communications and Network Performance Management
10	Network Segmentation and Virtualization
11	Wide Area Networks
12	Industrial and Enterprise Networking

2. What level is this course?

700 Level (Specialised)

Demonstrating a specialised body of knowledge and set of skills for professional practice or further learning. Advanced application of knowledge and skills in unfamiliar contexts.

3. What is the unit value of this course?

12 units

4. How does this course contribute to my learning?

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES	GRADUATE QUALITIES
On successful completion of this course, you should be able to...	Completing these tasks successfully will contribute to you becoming...
1 Apply network management and security knowledge and skills to problems.	Creative and critical thinker Empowered
2 Apply written communication skills to network management and security problems.	Creative and critical thinker Empowered
3 Design systems to meet business network management and security requirements.	Creative and critical thinker Empowered

5. Am I eligible to enrol in this course?

Refer to the [USC Glossary of terms](#) for definitions of “pre-requisites, co-requisites and anti-requisites”.

5.1. Pre-requisites

Must be enrolled in a Postgraduate program.

5.2. Co-requisites

Not applicable

5.3. Anti-requisites

Not applicable

5.4. Specific assumed prior knowledge and skills (where applicable)

Not applicable

6. How am I going to be assessed?

6.1. Grading Scale

Standard Grading (GRD)

High Distinction (HD), Distinction (DN), Credit (CR), Pass (PS), Fail (FL).

6.2. Details of early feedback on progress

Formative feedback will be provided through discussion of weekly practical topics in tutorial in addition to the feedback provided through weekly practice tests that will be available on Blackboard.

6.3. Assessment tasks

DELIVERY MODE	TASK NO.	ASSESSMENT PRODUCT	INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP	WEIGHTING %	WHAT IS THE DURATION / LENGTH?	WHEN SHOULD I SUBMIT?	WHERE SHOULD I SUBMIT IT?
All	1	Examination	Individual	15%	50 min	Week 5	Online Test (Quiz)
All	2	Examination	Individual	50%	2 hours	Week 10	Online Test (Quiz)
All	3	Report	Individual	35%	1000 words	Week 12	Online Assignment Submission with plagiarism check

All - Assessment Task 1: Mid-semester exam

GOAL:	To demonstrate your understanding of the course content in Weeks 1 -4.	
PRODUCT:	Examination	
FORMAT:	A 50-minute examination is held in Week 5, comprising questions from the information obtained from lecture material, lab activities and additional readings specified in Weeks 1 - 4.	
CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Demonstrated understanding of requisite network knowledge 1

All - Assessment Task 2: Final examination

GOAL:	To demonstrate your understanding of network technology and management.	
PRODUCT:	Examination	
FORMAT:	This is an individual assessment. The two (2) hour exam will focus on the content covered in the course.	
CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Demonstrated understanding of network technology and management 1
	2	Application of the knowledge of network technology and management 3

All - Assessment Task 3: Network management report

GOAL:	To demonstrate your ability to design and manage networks according to organisational needs.	
PRODUCT:	Report	
FORMAT:	Using a case study, you are to prepare a short report addressing the network design, operations and security requirements for a business and to suggest and justify suitable technologies to enhance the business's communications and networking within and outside the organisation.	

CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Application of network management and security concepts to a case study 1
	2	Critical analysis and evaluation of network management and security requirements of an organisation 3
	3	Design systems to meet the security and network management requirements 3
	4	Professional written communication 2

7. Directed study hours

A 12-unit course will have total of 150 learning hours which will include directed study hours (including online if required), self-directed learning and completion of assessable tasks. Directed study hours may vary by location. Student workload is calculated at 12.5 learning hours per one unit.

8. What resources do I need to undertake this course?

Please note: Course information, including specific information of recommended readings, learning activities, resources, weekly readings, etc. are available on the course Blackboard site– Please log in as soon as possible.

8.1. Prescribed text(s) or course reader

Please note that you need to have regular access to the resource(s) listed below. Resources may be required or recommended.

REQUIRED?	AUTHOR	YEAR	TITLE	PUBLISHER
Required	Jill West, Tamara Dean and Jean Andrews	2016	Network+ Guide to Networks	Cengage Learning

8.2. Specific requirements

Not applicable

9. How are risks managed in this course?

Health and safety risks for this course have been assessed as low. It is your responsibility to review course material, search online, discuss with lecturers and peers and understand the health and safety risks associated with your specific course of study and to familiarise yourself with the University's general health and safety principles by reviewing the [online induction training for students](#), and following the instructions of the University staff.

10. What administrative information is relevant to this course?

10.1. Assessment: Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the ethical standard of university participation. It ensures that students graduate as a result of proving they are competent in their discipline. This is integral in maintaining the value of academic qualifications. Each industry has expectations and standards of the skills and knowledge within that discipline and these are reflected in assessment.

Academic integrity means that you do not engage in any activity that is considered to be academic fraud; including plagiarism, collusion or outsourcing any part of any assessment item to any other person. You are expected to be honest and ethical by completing all work yourself and indicating in your work which ideas and information were developed by you and which were taken from others. You cannot provide your assessment work to others. You are also expected to provide evidence of wide and critical reading, usually by using appropriate academic references.

In order to minimise incidents of academic fraud, this course may require that some of its assessment tasks, when submitted to Blackboard, are electronically checked through SafeAssign. This software allows for text comparisons to be made between your submitted assessment item and all other work that SafeAssign has access to.

10.2. Assessment: Additional Requirements

Eligibility for Supplementary Assessment

Your eligibility for supplementary assessment in a course is dependent of the following conditions applying:

The final mark is in the percentage range 47% to 49.4%

The course is graded using the Standard Grading scale

You have not failed an assessment task in the course due to academic misconduct

10.3. Assessment: Submission penalties

Late submission of assessment tasks may be penalised at the following maximum rate:

- 5% (of the assessment task's identified value) per day for the first two days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task.
- 10% (of the assessment task's identified value) for the third day - 20% (of the assessment task's identified value) for the fourth day and subsequent days up to and including seven days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task.
- A result of zero is awarded for an assessment task submitted after seven days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task. Weekdays and weekends are included in the calculation of days late. To request an extension you must contact your course coordinator to negotiate an outcome.

10.4. Study help

For help with course-specific advice, for example what information to include in your assessment, you should first contact your tutor, then your course coordinator, if needed.

If you require additional assistance, the Learning Advisers are trained professionals who are ready to help you develop a wide range of academic skills. Visit the [Learning Advisers](#) web page for more information, or contact Student Central for further assistance: +61 7 5430 2890 or studentcentral@usc.edu.au.

10.5. Wellbeing Services

Student Wellbeing provide free and confidential counselling on a wide range of personal, academic, social and psychological matters, to foster positive mental health and wellbeing for your academic success.

To book a confidential appointment go to [Student Hub](#), email studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 1226.

10.6. AccessAbility Services

Ability Advisers ensure equal access to all aspects of university life. If your studies are affected by a disability, learning disorder mental health issue, injury or illness, or you are a primary carer for someone with a disability or who is considered frail and aged, [AccessAbility Services](#) can provide access to appropriate reasonable adjustments and practical advice about the support and facilities available to you throughout the University.

To book a confidential appointment go to [Student Hub](#), email AccessAbility@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 2890.

10.7. Links to relevant University policy and procedures

For more information on Academic Learning & Teaching categories including:

- Assessment: Courses and Coursework Programs
- Review of Assessment and Final Grades
- Supplementary Assessment
- Administration of Central Examinations
- Deferred Examinations
- Student Academic Misconduct
- Students with a Disability

Visit the USC website: <http://www.usc.edu.au/explore/policies-and-procedures#academic-learning-and-teaching>

10.8. General Enquiries

In person:

- **USC Sunshine Coast** - Student Central, Ground Floor, Building C, 90 Sippy Downs Drive, Sippy Downs
- **USC Moreton Bay** - Service Centre, Ground Floor, Foundation Building, Gympie Road, Petrie
- **USC SouthBank** - Student Central, Building A4 (SW1), 52 Merivale Street, South Brisbane
- **USC Gympie** - Student Central, 71 Cartwright Road, Gympie
- **USC Fraser Coast** - Student Central, Student Central, Building A, 161 Old Maryborough Rd, Hervey Bay
- **USC Caboolture** - Student Central, Level 1 Building J, Cnr Manley and Tallon Street, Caboolture

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