COURSE DETAILS

Course Code: F20AN
Full Course Title: Advanced Network Security
SCQF Level: 10
SCAF Credits: 15
Available as Elective: No

DELIVERY LEVEL

Undergraduate: Yes  Postgraduate Taught: No  Postgraduate Research: No
Additional Information:

COURSE AIMS

• Improve students’ analysis skills and allow them to identify network security threats in a systematic way
• Give practical experience of exploiting vulnerabilities in commons computer system architectures.
• Impart a good understanding of common techniques to implement countermeasures.
• Provide the student with in-depth understanding of penetration testing concepts and methodologies.

LEARNING OUTCOMES – SUBJECT MASTERY

• Identify and explain vulnerabilities of network protocols vulnerabilities.
• Design countermeasures to protect a network from unauthorised network access.
• Identify threats and measures to protect against threats in wireless networks.
• Test and evaluate the security of an IT infrastructure.

LEARNING OUTCOMES – PERSONAL ABILITIES

• Develop a set of ethical best practices for a security career.
• Ability to make decisions regarding how to secure a system in absence of a complete picture of its configuration.

Showing teamwork skills and being an effective member of a penetration testing team.

Ability to appraise the security of an IT infrastructure.

SYLLABUS

• Internet Security: review of some TCP/IP stack Protocols and their known vulnerabilities.
• Wireless Security: Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) vulnerabilities, Wireless Protected Access (WPA) and IEEE802.11i
• Penetration testing: penetration testing process: Reconnaissance, Scanning, Gaining access, Maintaining access, and Covering tracks.
• Digital Forensics: introduction, EnCase and open source tools.
• Privacy and P3P.

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