

# Metropolitan State University of Denver

## Regular Course Syllabus

CSS - 3751 - Application Security		Fall 2016
Status	completed	
Tracking:	LAS1617-29	
Department	Mathematical and Computer Sciences, Department of	
Prefix:	CSS	
Course Number:	3751	
Course Type:	Computer Science Studies	
Course Title:	Application Security	
Transcript Course Title:	Application Security	
Equivalent/ Crosslisted?		
List all equivalent courses:		
List all crosslisted courses:		
Check All That Apply:	Elective	
Credit Hours:	3	
Schedule Type:	Lecture	
Grade Mode:	Letter	
Lecture:	45	
Lab:		
Internship:		
Practicum:		
Other:		
Additional Student Work Hours per course:	90	
Variable topics umbrella course:	No	
If yes, number of credits/ repeats allowed		
Specified repeatable course:	No	
If yes, number of credits/ repeats allowed		
Prerequisite(s):	CSS 2751 and CSS 2752 or permission of instructor	
Corequisite(s):		
Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s):		
Banner Prerequisite(s):	CSS 2751 and CSS 2752	
Banner Corequisite(s):		
Banner Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s):		
Level		
Class		
Program/Major		
Student attribute		
Catalog Course Description:	Writing applications so that they are less susceptible to compromise is a critical aspect of cybersecurity. This course explores how applications are compromised and the steps that must be taken to make them more secure. Several different languages and platforms are covered.	

Required Reading and Other Materials will be equivalent to:	Michael Howard, David LeBlanc, John Viega, (2009) 24 Deadly Sins of Software Security: Programming Flaws and How to Fix Them 1st Edition, ISBN-13: 978-0071626750		
Specific, Measurable Student Behavioral Learning Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Analyze the various types of memory corruption used for compromises.</li> <li>2. Plan for static and dynamic tests to detect memory corruption.</li> <li>3. Evaluate a programming language for security.</li> <li>4. Measure the likelihood that a specific program could be compromised.</li> <li>5. Create steps to harden an SQL database.</li> <li>6. Select appropriate defenses for a web application.</li> <li>7. Assess the results of several types of testing against an application.</li> </ol>		
Detailed Outline of Course Content (Major Topics and Subtopics) or Outline of Field Experience/ Internship	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Memory management <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. The stack and heap</li> <li>B. Buffer overflows</li> <li>C. Heap sprays</li> <li>D. Use after free, multiple frees</li> </ol> </li> <li>II. Language design <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Garbage collection</li> <li>B. Safe programming techniques</li> </ol> </li> <li>III. Database security <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. SQL injection and mitigation</li> <li>B. Role enforcement</li> <li>C. Protection mechanisms</li> </ol> </li> <li>IV. Web application security <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. XSS</li> <li>B. JavaScript</li> <li>C. Input checking</li> </ol> </li> <li>V. Browser security <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Same origin policy</li> </ol> </li> <li>VI. Secure coding <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Buffer overflows</li> <li>B. Numeric overflows</li> <li>C. String formatting issues</li> </ol> </li> <li>VII. Testing <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Unit, integration, system</li> <li>B. Static and dynamic</li> <li>C. Penetration</li> <li>D. Fuzz</li> </ol> </li> </ol>		
Evaluation of Student Performance	Required: a midterm and final exam and four papers. Optional: quizzes. participation, classwork, homework, projects.		
Learning Objectives			
Distribution of Credit Hours	3 (3+0)		
Steps	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Date</b>	
Originator			
Steve Beaty	approve	09/12/2016 10:09AM	
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Cynthia Philbrook	approve	09/14/2016 08:42AM	
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