IT 438 – IT Risk Management
General Course Syllabus

Department of Information Technology and Administrative Management

Explores Networking Security from the perspective of risk management to develop strategies to mitigate and manage risks. Focuses on assessment strategies for effective mitigation measures and risk management practices in terms of cybersecurity.

**Prerequisites:** IT 238 and IT 351  
**Credits:** 4

The goal of this course is to give students practical techniques in IT risk management that will be used on a daily basis, while also explaining the fundamentals so students understand the rationale behind these practices. This course will prepare students for the task of articulating risk exposures in business terms. Students will learn techniques for how to perform risk assessments for new IT projects as well as current IT infrastructures, how to efficiently manage daily risk activities, and how to qualify the current risk level for presentation to executive level management. Students will also design mitigation procedures and policies necessary for different business environments.

**Students will be able to . . .**

- Assess risk assessment strategies requisite to implement risk mitigation measures and practices.
- Evaluate the levels of sensitivity of information kept by an organization and the procedures necessary to protect it.
- Examine the tools and procedures utilized by attackers to infiltrate an organization’s infrastructure in order to obtain sensitive information.

**Assessments**

- Rubric-based assignments, projects, and/or exams.
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Design an effective risk management plan for organizations of various sizes, compositions, and industries. Rubric-based research paper.

Construct a disaster recovery plan for organizations of various sizes, compositions, and industries. Rubric-based research paper.

Analyze the legal ramifications in the risk management arena from an IT perspective. Rubric-based oral presentation and/or research paper.

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- cheating on tests;

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