

## Knight Foundation School of Computing and Information Sciences

**Course Title:** Windows System Administration

**Date:**

**Course Number:** CNT 4603

**Number of Credits:** 3

**Designation:** System Administration elective for BS IT

**Catalog Description:** CNT 4603 3 Credits

**Course Name:** System Administration and Maintenance

**Course Description:** An examination of operating systems and applications installation, configuration, and maintenance, including client-server services, server administration and management, and user/group management.

**Pre-requisite:** [CGS 3767](#)

**Subject Area Coordinator:**

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**Textbook(s) and/or other required material(s):**

- *Programming in Python 3: A Complete Introduction to the Python Language, 2e*, Mark Summerfield, 2010, Pearson Education, ISBN-13: 978-0-321-68056-3.
- The textbook will be supplemented with online lecture notes which will come from a variety of resources. Any software that is required for the course will be available for downloading via the Internet.

**Reference(s):** None

**Course learning outcomes/expected performance criteria:**

The course goals are to enable students to:

- Be able to perform basic system administration tasks on Windows Server 2008-12 based server systems. (Critical)
- Be able to define, install, and maintain system security policies under Server 2008-12. (Relevant)
- Be able to write simple scripts geared toward system administration activities in Windows PowerShell and Python. (Important)
- Be able to perform feasibility studies to determine the cost effectiveness of IT decisions in the area of system components to support virtualization environments. (Critical)
- Be familiar with Active Directory under Windows Server 2008-12. (Relevant)
- Design and analyze Active Directory infrastructures. (Relevant)
- Be familiar with user administration tasks commonly performed by system administrators. (Important)

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**Topics:**

- IT virtualization
- Administering Server 2008
- User administration
- PowerShell scripting
- Python scripting

**Class Schedule:**

Number of sessions per week            3  
 Duration of each session                50 min

**Laboratory Schedule:**

Number of sessions per week            0  
 Duration of each session                0 min

**Contribution of course to meeting requirements of Criterion 5 Curriculum (credit hours):**

Math & Science Topics: 0    \*Computing Topics (F): 3    General Education: 0

\*Computing Topics – Mark with (F) or (A) for Fundamental or Advanced

**Student Outcomes in Criterion 3 addressed by the course:**

Check if the course is used in assessment of the program's student outcomes (√)

Description of the Program's Student Outcomes addressed by the course	
Outcome	Description
2	Graduates shall demonstrate their ability to analyze a problem, and identify and define the computing requirements appropriate to its solution.
3	Graduates will demonstrate their ability to design, implement, and evaluate a computer-based system, process, component, or program to meet desired needs and budget, by applying best practices in software development processes, methods, and tools.
4	Graduates will demonstrate their ability to use current techniques, skills, and tools necessary for computing practices.

**Assessment Plan for the Course & how Data in the Course are used to assess Program Outcomes**

Student and Instructor Course Outcome Surveys are administered at the conclusion of each offering, and are evaluated as described in the School's Assessment Plan:  
<https://abet.cs.fiu.edu/csassessment/>