



Course Specification

— (Bachelor)

Course Title: **Operating Systems**

Course Code: **501453-3**

Program: **Bachelor of Computer Science**

Department: **Department of Computer Science**

College: **College of Computers and Information Technology**

Institution: **Taif University**

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A. General information about the course:

1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: (3)					
2. Course type					
A.	<input type="checkbox"/> University	<input type="checkbox"/> College	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department	<input type="checkbox"/> Track	<input type="checkbox"/> Others
B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Elective		
3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (7TH)					
4. Course general Description:					
Introduces the functions and major techniques of a modern multitasking operating system. Topics include operating system structures, process management, process synchronization, multithreading, deadlocks, CPU scheduling, memory management, file systems, and peripheral management.					
5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any):					
503323-3 Computer Architecture					
6. Co-requirements for this course (if any):					
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7. Course Main Objective(s):					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand basic concepts of operating systems, and interactions among its components. • Learn algorithms and techniques used by operating systems for resource management, scheduling and data storage. 					

2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	-	-
2	E-learning	-	-
3	Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditional classroom • E-learning 	2 1	67% 33%
4	Distance learning	-	-





3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1.	Lectures	45
2.	Laboratory/Studio	
3.	Field	
4.	Tutorial	
5.	Others (specify)	
Total		45

B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of CLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge and understanding			
1.1	Define the role of operating systems and describe their services and structures.	K1	Lectures Tutorials	Direct Assessment Tool Quizzes / Homework/Project/ Exams Indirect Assessment Tool Course Exit Survey
1.2	Describe process management and scheduling techniques used by operating system	K1	Lectures Tutorials	Direct Assessment Tool Quizzes / Homework/Project/ Exams Indirect Assessment Tool Course Exit Survey
1.3	Describe memory and storage management techniques used by operating systems.	K1	Lectures Tutorials	Direct Assessment Tool Quizzes / Homework/Project/ Exams Indirect Assessment Tool Course Exit Survey
2.0	Skills			
2.1	Use different techniques to deal with process and thread synchronization	S1	Lectures Tutorials	Direct Assessment Tool Quizzes / Homework/Project/ Exams



Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of CLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
				Indirect Assessment Tool Course Exit Survey
2.2				
3.0	Values, autonomy, and responsibility			
3.1				
3.2				

C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1.	Introduction to Operating System and Operating Systems Structures	4
2.	Processes and Threads	5
3.	CPU Scheduling	6
4.	Process Synchronization	6
5.	Deadlock	6
6.	Main Memory Management	6
7.	Virtual Memory Management	6
8.	File System	6
Total		45

D. Students Assessment Activities

No	Assessment Activities *	Assessment timing (in week no)	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1.	HomeWorks /Student Participation-Attendance	Every Week	10%
2.	Quizzes	Week 4 and 12	10%
3.	Projects	Week 5 and 9	10%
4.	Mid-Term	Week 7	20%
5.	Final Examination	Week 16	50%

*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.).

E. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. References and Learning Resources





Essential References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operating Systems Concepts by Silberschatz, Peter Baer Galvin, Greg Gagne. Edition 10
Supportive References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding Operating Systems by Ann McIver McHoes; Ida M. Flynn
Electronic Materials	Using vi editor of Linux/unix
Other Learning Materials	C++ compiler and IDE

2. Required Facilities and equipment

Items	Resources
facilities (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Lecture room appropriate for maximum 25 students with a personal computer, a data show and a smart board.
Technology equipment (projector, smart board, software)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video projector / data show
Other equipment (depending on the nature of the specialty)	

F. Assessment of Course Quality

Assessment Areas/Issues	Assessor	Assessment Methods
Effectiveness of teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students Faculty members Coordinator Council Curriculum Committees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course exit survey Feedback from Faculty members Feedback from Course Coordinator Feedback from council Feedback from Curriculum Committees
Effectiveness of Students assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students Faculty members Coordinator Council Curriculum Committees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course exit survey Feedback from Faculty members Feedback from Course Coordinator Feedback from council Feedback from Curriculum Committees
Quality of learning resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students Faculty members Coordinator Council Curriculum Committees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course exit survey Feedback from Faculty members Feedback from Course Coordinator Feedback from council Feedback from Curriculum Committees



Assessment Areas/Issues	Assessor	Assessment Methods
The extent to which CLOs have been achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students • Faculty members • Coordinator • Council • Curriculum Committees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course exit survey • Feedback from Faculty members • Feedback from Course Coordinator • Feedback from council • Feedback from Curriculum Committees
Other		

Assessors (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

G. Specification Approval

COUNCIL /COMMITTEE	CS council
REFERENCE NO.	Meeting #11
DATE	07/03/2024

