Networking Specialist

Degree Program

NS13

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Curriculum

General Education Core – Total of 15 Hours

Area I – Language Arts/Communications – Choose 3 Hours
ENGL 1101 Composition & Rhetoric (3)

Area II – Social/Behavioral Sciences – Choose 3 Hours
ECON 1101 Principles of Economics (3)
ECON 2105 Microeconomics (3)
HIST 1111 World History I (3)
HIST 1112 World History II (3)
HIST 2111 U.S. History I (3)
HIST 2112 U.S. History II (3)
POLS 1101 American Government (3)
POLS 2401 Global Issues (3)
PSYC 1101 Introductory Psychology (3)
SOCI 1101 Introduction to Sociology (3)

Area III – Natural Sciences/Mathematics – Choose 3 Hours
MATH 1101 Mathematical Modeling (3)
MATH 1103 Quantitative Skills/Reasoning (3)
MATH 1111 College Algebra (3)

Area IV – Humanities/Fine Arts – Choose 3 Hours
ARTS 1101 Art Appreciation (3)
ENGL 2110 World Literature (3)
ENGL 2130 American Literature (3)
HUMN 1101 Introduction to Humanities (3)
MUSC 1101 Music Appreciation (3)

General Education Core Elective – Choose 3 Hours

Program-Specific Core – Total of 21 Hours

COMP 1000 Introduction to Computers (3)
CIST 1001 Computer Concepts (4)
CIST 1122 Hardware Install/Maintenance (4)
CIST 1130 Operating Systems Concepts (3)
CIST 1401 Comp Networking Fundamentals (4) - OR -
CIST 2441 Network Home/Small Business (4) - OR -
CIST 2451 Cisco Introduction to Networks (4)
CIST 1601 Info Security Fundamentals (3) - OR -
CIST 1602 Security Policies & Procedures (3) - OR -
CIST 2601 Implementing Op System Security (4) - OR -
CIST 2602 Network Security (4) - OR -
CIST 2611 Network Defense (4) - OR -
CIST 2612 Computer Forensics (4)

CIST Electives – Choose 14 Hours

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Choose a Specialization – Total of 16 Hours

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Program Description
The Networking Specialist degree program is a sequence of courses designed to provide students with an understanding of the concepts, principles, and techniques required in computer information processing. Graduates are to be competent in the general areas of humanities or fine arts, social or behavioral sciences, and natural sciences or mathematics, as well as in the technical areas of computer terminology and concepts, program design and development, and computer networking. Program graduates are qualified for employment as Networking Specialists.

Program Specific Information
Students are accepted every semester based on course and space availability.

Industry Certification Preparation:
CompTIA A+, Network+, Security+
CompTIA Linux+
Microsoft MCSA, MCSE
Cisco CCENT, CCNA

Program Length & Availability
5 Semesters
Campus Availability: Oakwood, Forsyth

Admissions Requirements
- Must be 16 years of age.
- High school diploma or GED is required prior to admission.

(Official transcripts or GED scores must be submitted from all colleges and/or high schools attended for credit.)
- ACCUPLACER Testing, or submit SAT, ACT, CPE, COMPASS, or ASSET test scores.

Financial Aid
This program is eligible for the Pell Grant and may be eligible for Institutional and State Financial Aid.
Contact a Financial Aid Counselor for eligibility requirements and application materials.

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