2019-2020

Computer Help Desk Specialist

Certificate

Program Requirements19	
Additional Requirements11	
Total Credits30	

Program Information

Computer Networking certificates focus on the development of job- or career-specific skills in a short-term, concentrated format. Many courses may apply toward the Associate of Science (AS) degree in Computer Networking.

Program Goals

By completing this certificate, students will achieve the following learning goals:

- 1. Design and develop secure voice, video, and data networks;
- 2. Implement and configure networked devices;
- Demonstrate the skills necessary to administer and monitor networks:
- 4. Exhibit mastery of problem-solving skills to troubleshoot existing and emerging technologies; and
- Function as responsible and ethical network administrators for organizations and society.

General Information

Due to the dynamic nature of the computer networking industry, students are not able to sell back CNET course materials to the bookstore.

Completion Requirements

- A minimum of 12 semester credits in courses numbered 1000 or above must be completed at ARCC.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in courses numbered 1000 or above at ARCC.
- A minimum grade of C must be earned in all program requirements.
- All program requirements must be completed at ARCC.
- Courses must be completed within three years. Students may petition to extend the window beyond the three years.
- All courses requirements must be complete before a certificate will be awarded.
- Students must complete a Certificate Application. Certificate Applications are available online, in the Office of Records & Registration, and in the Advising Center. Submit a completed form to the Office of Records & Registration.
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

Program Requirements: 19 credits

☐ BUS 1112	Computer Concepts and Applications	3
☐ CNET 1100	Introduction to Information Technology 3	3
☐ CNET 1105	Introduction to Cybersecurity 1	l
☐ CNET 1212	Client Operating Systems	3
	Server Operating Systems	
	Introduction to Networks (CCNA 1)	
☐ CNET 2110◆	Principles of IT Security	3

Additional Requirements: 11 credits

□ BUS 1103	Human Relations in the Workplace	3
Electives: Select a	minimum of 8 credits from the following:	
□ BUS 1119	Database Management Using Microsoft Access	3
□ CNFT 1000	IT Exploration)

☐ CNET 1000	IT Exploration	2
☐ CNET 2114	Fundamentals of Linux/UNIX	3
☐ CNET 2125	System Virtualization	
☐ CNET 2297^	Field Experience and Seminar	1-4
☐ CNET 2301◆	Routing and Switching Essentials (CCNA 2)	
☐ CSCI 1101♦	Introduction to Computer Science and	
	Problem-Solving	3
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For more information about our program graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit the "Gainful Employment Disclosure Report" at: http://www.minnstate.edu/admissions/ge/anokaramsey/GEDT_0152_5014_1/gedt.html.

♦ Course has prerequisite - see course schedule or catalog description.
^ Course requires Instructor permission.

