

# INFO 3007 NETWORK SECURITY

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 300143

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**Description** This subject is concerned with the protection of information transferred over computer networks. It includes discussion of techniques for securing data transported over local and wide area networks. At the conclusion of the subject students will have a good understanding of the practical aspects of securing a computer network against internal and external attacks.

**School** Computer, Data & Math Sciences

**Discipline** Security Science

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 2 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 3 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** COMP 2007 OR  
COMP 2004 OR  
COMP 2005

**Assumed Knowledge**

Good understanding of the principles of information security, and computer networks and internets.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Identify security threats in LAN and WAN environments;
2. Identify current network security protocols and where they should be implemented;
3. Explain how popular operating systems handle secure communications;
4. Analyse and describe the security services provided by internetworking protocols;
5. Explain the purpose and basic configuration requirements of an internet firewall;
6. Describe the major components needed for secure electronic commerce;
7. Describe techniques for detecting and mitigating security threats to a networked system.

## Subject Content

Network Security concepts  
Network Security Protocols  
Operating System Security  
LAN Security  
Internet Security  
Firewalls  
Secure Electronic Commerce  
Mobile Security  
Secure Network Management

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Practical	2 hours * 12 weeks	30	N	Individual	N
Quiz	30 minutes * 12 weeks	15	N	Individual	Y
Final Exam	2 hours	55	N	Individual	Y

Prescribed Texts

- N/A

Teaching Periods

## Spring (2025) Penrith (Kingswood)

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