

**I. COURSE INFORMATION**

- A. Computer Science 135 Computer Repair-Core Hardware
- B. 3 credit hours
- C. Andrews, Shelton and Pierce. *CompTIA A+ Guide to IT Technical Support*. 11<sup>th</sup> ed. Cengage
- D. Prerequisites: None

**II. COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed to provide hands on skills in the area of computer troubleshooting and repair in accordance with the Comp-TIA A+ certification operating systems objectives.

**III. LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- A. Mobile Devices
  - a. Given a scenario, install and configure laptop hardware and components
  - b. Compare and contrast the display components of mobile devices
  - c. Given a scenario, set up and configure accessories and ports of mobile devices
  - d. Given a scenario, configure basic mobile-device network connectivity and application support
- B. Networking
  - a. Compare and contrast Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and User Datagram Protocol (UDP) ports, protocols, and their purposes
  - b. Compare and contrast common networking hardware
  - c. Compare and contrast protocols for wireless networking
  - d. Summarize services provided by networked hosts
  - e. Given a scenario, install and configure basic wired/wireless small office/home office (SOHO) networks
  - f. Compare and contrast common network configuration concepts
  - g. Compare and contrast Internet connection types, network types, and their features
  - h. Given a scenario, use networking tools
- C. Hardware
  - a. Explain basic cable types and their connectors, features, and purposes
  - b. Given a scenario, install the appropriate RAM
  - c. Given a scenario, select and install storage devices
  - d. Given a scenario, install and configure motherboards, central processing units (CPUs), and add-on cards
  - e. Given a scenario, install or replace the appropriate power supply
  - f. Given a scenario, deploy and configure multifunction devices/printers and settings
  - g. Given a scenario, install and replace printer consumables
- D. Virtualization and Cloud Computing
  - a. Summarize cloud-computing concepts
  - b. Summarize aspects of client-side virtualization
- E. Hardware and Network Troubleshooting
  - a. Given a scenario, apply the best practice methodology to resolve problems
  - b. Given a scenario, troubleshoot problems related to motherboards, RAM, CPU, and power
  - c. Given a scenario, troubleshoot and diagnose problems with storage drives and RAID arrays
  - d. Given a scenario, troubleshoot video, projector, and display issues
  - e. Given a scenario, troubleshoot common issues with mobile devices
  - f. Given a scenario, troubleshoot and resolve printer issues
  - g. Given a scenario, troubleshoot problems with wired and wireless networks

**IV. MAJOR CONTENT AREAS**

- A. PC Hardware
- B. Networking
- C. Laptops
- D. Printers
- E. Operational procedures

**I. ASSIGNMENTS** (may include but are not limited to)

- A. Chapter examinations
- B. Hands-on labs

**II. EVALUATION METHODS** (may include but are not limited to)

- A. Examinations
- B. Lab participation