

# NETWORK MANAGEMENT \*

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Quarter Credit Hours Required = 180



The Bachelor of Science program in Network Management prepares students for a technical career in the computer network field. This program is designed to provide learning experiences that prepare graduates with a solid background of practical training directly related to the computer service, network engineering, network administration, and network security job markets. Students tailor their curriculum to local market needs and individual interests through selection of electives leading to specialization in networking, management, and/or network security. The program provides an advanced understanding of client/server computer concepts, with emphasis on the engineering practices used on modern networks. Students will learn to operate, install, configure, secure, troubleshoot, upgrade, and maintain PCs and complex networks. Students will obtain the skills necessary to provide high-end, solution-based technical support for a variety of inter- and intra-network situations.

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to

- prepare for a selection of industry-standard professional networking, security and computer certifications such as: A+, Network+, Security+, CNA, CNE, Linux+, MCP, MCSA, MCSA+S, MCSE, MCSE+S, SCSA, SCNA,(Unix), CWNA, SCNS, SCNP, SCNA (security), and CCNA;
- comply with the DoD 8570 security certification directive;
- connect local networks to the Internet using Microsoft, Linux, Unix, Novell, and/or Cisco solutions;
- provide basic and advanced network administration and engineering services;
- fine tune network servers for optimal performance and develop migration plans for upgrades of software;
- analyze security requirements for the LAN and WAN network users and systems;
- administer alternate operating systems and network utilities; and
- demonstrate advanced competency levels in either network management or network security.

<b>FOUNDATION:</b>		<b>Quarter Credit Hours</b>
EDU 1010	Learning Framework.....	4
EDU 1020	Career Exploration/Planning.....	4
<b>Total Minimum Required Foundation Credits .....</b>		<b>8</b>

<b>AREA OF CONCENTRATION:</b>		
NET 1015	I.T. Essentials.....	8
NET 1025	I.T. Diagnostics.....	8
NET 1135	Network and Security Fundamentals .....	12
<b>Total Minimum Required Area of Concentration Credits.....</b>		<b>28</b>

<b>AREA OF CONCENTRATION ELECTIVES:</b>		
A minimum of 88 credit hours are to be selected in consultation with the Program Director from approved networking, management, and/or security courses completed at Virginia College or transferred from another accredited institution. At least 50 credit hours must be 3000- and 4000-level courses.		
<b>Total Minimum Area of Concentration Elective Credits.....</b>		<b>88</b>

<b>GENERAL EDUCATION:</b>		
These courses are to be selected in consultation with the Program Director so as to effectuate a balanced educational program. Select a total (minimum) of 56 credit hours as indicated below. At least 12 credit hours must be 3000- and 4000-level courses.		
Communications .....		12
Humanities and Fine Arts .....		4
Mathematics.....		8
Social and Behavioral Sciences .....		8
Approved General Education Electives .....		24
<b>Total Minimum Required General Education Credits .....</b>		<b>56</b>

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*\*This program is also available through online delivery.*