

Program Number 10-150-2
Associate Degree of Applied Science • Four Terms

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Computers networked together sharing data and resources are powerfully amazing! Today, businesses of all sizes are networking their computers to maximize efficiency and productivity. If creating an overall computer network strategy, having the ability to analyze ideas/processes, installing hardware/software, and troubleshooting problems are skills you would like to put to use in a career, becoming a network specialist is your ticket to success.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Implement computer networks.
- Implement client systems.
- Implement server operating systems.
- Implement network security components.
- Develop technical documentation.
- Troubleshoot network systems.

CAREER AND EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Lakeshore credits transfer to over 30 universities. For more information visit lakeshore.edu/future-students/transfer.

ADMISSIONS AND FIRST SEMESTER ENROLLMENT STEPS

- Submit online application.
- Complete the online Student Success Questionnaire.
- Complete Get Started at Lakeshore appointment.

**Submit high school transcripts, college transcripts, and test scores (optional, highly recommended). Official transcripts will be needed for transferring college credit(s) and for financial aid purposes.*

ACADEMIC PREPAREDNESS/FUTURE SEMESTER ENROLLMENT STEPS

If applicable, complete program-specific academic preparedness requirements and enrollment steps prior to enrolling in occupational or core courses. Students will be notified if there is a program waitlist. View the college's program webpage for details: <https://lakeshore.edu/programs-and-courses/career-areas/information-technology-it/network-specialist>.

APPROXIMATE COSTS

\$157.45 per credit tuition (WI resident) plus \$9.45 per credit student activity fee. Material fee varies depending on course. Other fees vary by program. Visit <https://lakeshore.edu/paying-for-college/tuition-and-fees> for details.

FINANCIAL AID

This program is eligible for financial aid. Visit lakeshore.edu/Financial-Aid or talk with your College Recruiter about how to apply for aid.

CONTACT

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Catalog No.	Class Title	Credit(s)
Term 1		
10154122	PC Support*	3
10150114	Networking 1*	3
10154124	Information Security Principles*	3
10801136	English Composition 1	3
10804133	Math & Logic	3
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Term 2		
10150173	Server Administration 1*	3
10150176	Networking 2*	3
10150131	Linux*	3
10801198	Speech OR 10801196 Oral/Interpersonal Communication	3
10809196	Introduction to Sociology OR 10809122 Introduction to American Government OR 10809166 Introduction to Ethics	3
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Term 3		
10150174	Server Administration 2*	3
10150163	Networking 3*	3
10150168	Network Design & Documentation*	3
10150130	Virtualization*	3
10809198	Introduction to Psychology	3
		15
Term 4		
10150175	Server Administration 3*	3
10150166	Networking 4*	3
10150164	Mobile Devices*	3
10150179	Network Security*	3
10150181	IT Networking Capstone*	3
		15
		TOTAL 60

*CBE delivery only

Curriculum and program acceptance requirements are subject to change. Program start dates vary; check with your Academic Counselor for details. The tuition and fees are approximate based on 2026-2027 rates and are subject to change prior to the start of the academic year.

ENGLISH COMPOSITION 1...is designed for learners to develop knowledge and skills in all aspects of the writing process. Planning, organizing, writing, editing and revising are applied through a variety of activities. Students will analyze audience and purpose, use elements of research, and format documents using standard guidelines. Individuals will develop critical reading skills through analysis of various written documents. Discuss reading and writing academic course support with your Counselor.

INFORMATION SECURITY PRINCIPLES...introduces the learner to Information Systems Security. Students will review and analyze the control and security concerns in the information systems environment; the security challenges created from the emergence of new technology and the changing internal and external environments; and the effect of legal, regulatory, and current security technology on policy development.

INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY...introduces students to a survey of the multiple aspects of human behavior. It involves a survey of the theoretical foundations of human functioning in such areas as learning, motivation, emotions, personality, deviance and pathology, physiological factors, and social influences. It directs the student to an insightful understanding of the complexities of human relationships in personal, social, and vocational settings. Discuss reading academic course support with your Counselor.

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY...introduces students to the basic concepts of sociology: culture, socialization, social stratification, multi-culturalism, and the five institutions, including family, government, economics, religion, and education. Other topics include demography, deviance, technology, environment, social issues, social change, social organization, and workplace issues. Discuss reading academic course support with your Counselor.

IT NETWORKING CAPSTONE...will integrate many of the technologies and concepts that the students have learned throughout the Network Specialist program. The integration projects will include such areas as network client and server administration, general networking concepts, IP addressing, network security, and switch and router configuration. PREREQUISITES: 10150130 Virtualization, 10150174 Server Administration 2, 10150163 Networking 3

LINUX...is a hands-on course designed to provide the learner with the skills to install the Linux operating system, use its command-line and graphical user interfaces, manage system resources, and create scripts. The course will also introduce the learner to Linux system administration including the installation and administration of users, files, software, networking, and Internet and Intranet services.

MATH & LOGIC...will apply mathematical problem solving techniques. Topics will include symbolic logic, sets, algebra, Boolean algebra, and number bases. Discuss math and reading academic course support with your Counselor.

MOBILE DEVICES...are quickly becoming indispensable tools in the production environment. This course will introduce the learner to various industry mobile technologies used to promote better decision-making, reporting, and improve manufacturing performance. Some of the devices covered are tablets, smartphones, barcode printers and readers, and radio frequency identification (RFID) readers/writers.

NETWORK DESIGN/DOCUMENTATION...is a lecture/hands-on course designed to introduce students to network design and documentation fundamentals. Topics include: needs analysis, hardware needs and analysis, network layout and design, and documenting a network. PREREQUISITE: 10150176 Networking 2

NETWORK SECURITY...introduces the student to the various methodologies for defending a network. Learners will develop an in-depth theoretical understanding of network security principles as well as the tools and configurations available. The learner will emphasize on the practical application of skills needed to design, implement, and support a secure Cisco network. PREREQUISITE: 10150163 Networking 3

NETWORKING 1...is a lecture/hands-on course designed to introduce students to network fundamentals. Topics covered include: OSI Reference Model; LAN and WAN topologies; cabling systems; access methods; protocols; Internet working devices (e.g. hubs, bridges, routers, switches, etc.); and basic network design.

NETWORKING 2...provides the students with networking terminology, protocols, network standards, LAN's, WAN's, TCP/IP addressing, and routing. PREREQUISITE: 10150114 Networking 1

NETWORKING 3...introduces the student to switching technology, hardware and software firewalls, and virtual private networks (VPN). PREREQUISITE: 10150176 Networking 2

NETWORKING 4...embraces the student's understanding of configuring, managing, and monitoring next-generation firewalls in a lab environment. Students will configure and manage: the essential features of firewalls; security and NAT policies to enable approved traffic to and from zones; threat prevention strategies to block traffic from known and unknown IP addresses, domains, and URLs; and monitor network traffic using the interactive web interface and firewall reports. PREREQUISITE: 10150176 Networking 2

PC SUPPORT...prepares you to be able to install, manage, repair, and troubleshoot PC hardware and Windows, Linux, and Mac operating systems. You will learn how to set up a new computer, identify system requirements, install or upgrade operating systems, manage external devices, troubleshoot common computer problems, and connect to a small home network. Opportunity to earn TestOut PC Pro Certification.

SERVER ADMINISTRATION 1...is a hands-on course designed to introduce the learner to the installation and configuration of Windows Server servers. The student will learn how to install and configure servers, configure server roles and features, configure Hyper-V, deploy and configure core network services, install and administer Active Directory (AD), and create and manage Group Policy. PREREQUISITE: 10154124 Information Security Principles

SERVER ADMINISTRATION 2...is a hands-on course designed to introduce the learner to administration of Windows Server servers. The student will learn how to deploy, manage, and maintain servers; configure file and print services; configure network services and access; configure a network policy server infrastructure; configure and manage Active Directory; and configure and manage Group Policy. Opportunity to earn TestOut Server Pro Certification. PREREQUISITE: 10150173 Server Administration 1

SERVER ADMINISTRATION 3...empowers students to streamline IT operations and enhance efficiency through automation. Create scripts to automate repetitive tasks, manage IT resources at scale, and solve complex IT challenges. By learning Git and GitHub, students effectively collaborate with teams and maintain code integrity. Equips students with the practical skills to optimize infrastructure, improve reliability, and drive innovation.

SPEECH...explores the fundamentals of effective oral presentation to small and large groups. Topic selection, audience analysis, methods of organization, research, structuring evidence and support, delivery techniques, and other essential elements of speaking successfully, including the listening process, form the basis of the course. Discuss reading academic course support with your Counselor.

VIRTUALIZATION...is a hands-on course designed to introduce the learner to the skills needed to install, configure, and manage a highly available and scalable virtual infrastructure. Objectives include: create, configure, migrate, manage, and monitor virtual machines and virtual appliances; manage user access to the virtual infrastructure; and configure and manage virtual network and storage systems. PREREQUISITE: 10154124 Information Security Principles