In this introduction, we will review contact procedures to get in touch with me, the syllabus, course materials, grading and course pacing.
Welcome to the course

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CYBERCRIME

SYLLABUS: COURSE ORGANIZATION

The course is divided into 10 learning units:

1. Introduction to cybercrime
2. Information Assurance
3. IT-Enabled abuse, attacks and crimes
4. Computer abusers and cybercriminals
5. Theories of IT-enabled abuse and crime
6. The social and economic impact of cybercrimes
7. Emerging and controversial cybercrime issues
8. Cyber law and regulations
9. Investigation and prosecuting cybercrimes
10. Selected federal cybercrime statutes
This is a self-contained, online course meaning that all materials you will need for your tests are included in the PowerPoint slides and associated lectures.

There is no textbook you are required to purchase or rent.

But throughout each Learning Unit, I have linked certain articles and videos.

These articles and videos will enhance your understanding of course material, but they are not testable. Meaning, I will not ask you any test questions derived from a linked article or video.

Still, I highly recommend that you engage these readings and videos for a fuller, more comprehensive learning experience.
There are three examinations you must take to complete this course. The course is worth a total of 225 points. 

**Examination #1**

- This test will include information from Learning Units 1, 2 and 3.
- The test will have 81 multiple choice and true/false questions.
- Each question is worth 1 point, so Exam 1 is 81 points toward the total course point value (225 points).
- You will have 85 minutes to complete this test, and then the test will automatically shut off.
- You will not be able to proceed to Learning Unit 4, or any of the other proceeding Learning Units, until you have taken Examination #1.
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  - **Examination #2**
  - This test will include information from Learning Units 4, 5 and 6.
  - The test is noncumulative, meaning you will not be tested on material from previous Learning Units.
  - The test will have 75 multiple choice and true/false questions.
  - Each question is worth 1 point, so Exam 2 is 75 points toward the total course point value (225 points).
  - You will have 80 minutes to complete this test and then the test will automatically shut off.
  - You will not be able to proceed to Learning Unit 7, or any of the other proceeding Learning Units, until you have taken Examination #2.
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• Examination #3
• This test will include information from Learning Units 7, 8, 9 and 10
• The test is noncumulative, meaning you will not be tested on material from previous learning units
• The test will have 69 multiple choice and true/false questions
• Each question is worth 1 point, so Exam 3 is worth 69 point toward the total course point value (225 points)
• You will have 75 minutes to complete this test and then the test will automatically shut off
• After you have taken Exam 3, you are finished with the course
The grading summary is:
- Exam 1 = 81 points
- Exam 2 = 75 points
- Exam 3 = 69 points
- Total = 225 points

The grade scale to determine your final letter grade is as follows:
- 202-225 points = A
- 180-201 points = B
- 157-179 points = C
- 135-156 points = D
- 134 points and below = F

Please note that your course grade is based entirely on test scores. There is no “extra credit”
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• SYLLABUS: CONTACTING THE PROFESSOR

• All contact with me (questions, concerns, etc.) will be conducted via email: mpetroc@siue.edu

• Please put “Cybercrime” in the subject box

• I will answer emails during normal business hours (9am-5pm) on weekdays only (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)

• I will do my best to answer all emails within a 2 hour time frame. Do not expect an immediate response

• It is your responsibility to check your email regularly for course updates, information, etc.
This is a self paced course, meaning you can move forward and toward completion at your convenience.

The course MUST be completed in total (meaning all 3 examinations have been taken) by the last day of the semester at the close of business (5pm).

There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Work hard, study and do well.

Please proceed to Learning Unit 1.
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• Course references: