

General Information

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Office hours: to be arranged, by appointment or by chance
- Lectures** TuTh 9:00–10:20AM in 3 Temporary Classroom
- Discussion Sections** F4:10PM–5:00PM in 166 Chemistry
- Course Outline** Introduce basic ideas of computer security; present security issues involving the web, systems, and programs; teach you how to be a “critical consumer” of security products
- Course Goals** Some goals we hope you achieve:
1. learn what computer security is;
 2. learn how to write a program without common security problems;
 3. learn how to evaluate the security of a system or program;
 4. learn how about Internet security; and
 5. see how security arises in everyday life.
- Prerequisites** The prerequisites for this course are ECS 30 or equivalent programming skills, and Math 21C.
- Text** *none*; papers and other material given out in class
- Computers** All registered students have been given an account on the computer science instructional machines in the basement. *If you have not done so already, please change your password from the default as soon as you can. If it is not changed within a week, your account will be disabled and you will have to see a system programmer to have it reset.*
- Class Web Site** The class web site is on MyUCDavis. To access it, go to <http://my.ucdavis.edu> and log in using your campus-wide login and password. Then go to ECS 155 in your schedule. Handouts and other documents will be posted there. I will also post announcements there, too.
If you do not have access to MyUCDavis, you can go to the alternate web site at <http://nob.cs.ucdavis.edu/classes/ecs155-2005-04>. You can download the handouts from that site, but you cannot look at your grades there.
- Class Newsgroup** Information about this class, homework assignments, and so forth, will be posted to the newsgroup *ucd.class.ecs155*. Read this newsgroup daily! I’ll use it to put out important information. Please do not post to this newsgroup. If you want to post things about the class, please use the appropriate discussion newsgroup (*ucd.class.ecs155.d*). Discussing something in that newsgroup is perfectly fair.
- Homework** All work is due at 11:55PM on the date stated on the homework, unless otherwise stated. See the handout **All About Homework** for more information.
- Extra Credit** Extra credit in this course will be tallied separately from regular scores. If you end up on a borderline between two grades at the end of the course, extra credit will count in your favor. However, failure to do extra credit will never be counted against you, because grades are assigned on the basis of regular scores. You should do extra credit if you find it interesting and think that it might teach you something. Remember, though, it is not wise to skimp on the regular assignment in order to do extra credit!

