

Piedmont Technical College Course Syllabus

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Prefix/Number: IST 268

Title: Computer Forensics

Responsible Division: Business, Information Technologies and Public Service

Last Day to Withdraw from this Course: For the last date to withdraw from this course, consult the current *Student Calendar*.

Course Description:

For course, credit hour, pre-requisite(s) and co-requisite(s) information, visit the Detailed Course Information page: www.ptc.edu/courses/IST268.

Textbook and Other Materials:

For textbook information and additional required and/or supplemental materials, visit the [college bookstore](http://www.ptc.edu/bookstore) (www.ptc.edu/bookstore).

Proctored Examinations:

Proctored examinations for distance learning courses taken at non-PTC campuses may require a proctoring fee for each exam taken.

COURSE POLICIES

Course policies are available online through the *Academic Catalog* and *Student Handbook*. Visit the [Course Policies page](http://www.ptc.edu/syllabus/policies) (www.ptc.edu/syllabus/policies) for a detailed list of important policies and more information.

GRADE POLICY

Detailed grading policy information can be found on the [Grading Policy webpage](http://www.ptc.edu/grading-policy) (http://www.ptc.edu/grading-policy). Final grade appeal information is available in the [Academic Catalog](http://www.ptc.edu/catalog/) (http://www.ptc.edu/catalog/).

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations for ADA:

Information is available on the [Student Disability Services webpage](http://www.ptc.edu/ada) (<http://www.ptc.edu/ada>).

TITLE IX HARASSMENT AND SEXUAL ASSAULT INFORMATION

In accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Piedmont Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs or activities. Title IX protects students, employees, and applicants from sex discrimination in admissions and employment to include discrimination based on gender identity or failure to conform to stereotypical notions of masculinity or femininity. More information regarding Title IX, including contact information for the Title IX coordinators, is available at [Title IX Harassment and Sexual Assault Information](https://www.ptc.edu/about/legal-disclosures/title-ix-harassment-and-sexual-assault-information) (<https://www.ptc.edu/about/legal-disclosures/title-ix-harassment-and-sexual-assault-information>).

RATIONALE

Why do I need this course?

This course focuses on the use of the most popular forensics tools and provides specific guidance on dealing with civil and criminal matters relating to the law and technology. Includes discussions on how to manage a digital forensics operation in today's business environment

PROGRAM INFORMATION

For program information including required courses, program learning outcomes, gainful employment information and advisement information, refer to the Academic Program webpage. Go to [Academics](http://www.ptc.edu/academics) (<http://www.ptc.edu/academics>), select your program, and then select Credentials Offered.

COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course and/or clinical, each student will be able to:

- Provide examples of security awareness media and list target audiences for each medium.
- Explain how public key cryptography can be used to ensure the identity of the sender of an encrypted message.
- Demonstrate an understanding on how to acquire digital evidence.
- Perform searches on data and understand Hash analysis.
- Demonstrate the ability to create and maintain an accurate case.

GENERAL EDUCATION COMPETENCIES

Piedmont Technical College General Education Competencies for All Graduates:

This course may address one or more of the following General Education Competencies (assessment will be stated when applicable):

Communicate effectively.

Assessment:

Students will demonstrate the ability to effectively use grammar and mechanics in specific writing assignments.

Apply mathematical skills appropriate to an occupation.

Assessment:

Students will apply mathematical skills to solve problems.

Students will perform computational skills.

Employ effective processes for resolving problems and making decisions.

Assessment:

Students will summarize and integrate information to draw conclusions and solve problems.

Demonstrate the basic computer skills necessary to function in a technological world.

Assessment:

Students will locate and retrieve information in a digital environment.

Students will adapt, apply, and construct information in electronic environments (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.).

To validate proficiency in the general education competencies, students in some programs will be tested using Work Keys.