



IDENTIFYING DATA

Security in Mobile Devices

Subject	Security in Mobile Devices			
Code	V05M175V01206			
Study programme	(*)Máster Universitario en Ciberseguridade			
Descriptors	ECTS Credits	Choose	Year	Quadmester
	3	Optional	1st	2nd
Teaching language	Spanish Galician			
Department				
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General description	This course presents a general view of security in mobile devices with different characteristics. Based on the study of the architecture of these devices, we will discover their internal operation and which are the main security tools that they include, along with the risks and threats they suffer. We will study how to find, analyze and mitigate the vulnerabilities that affect mobile devices, using forensic analysis tools, secure application development and device management in business environments.			

The documentation of this course will be in English.

Competencies

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A2	Students will be able to apply their knowledge and their problem-solving ability in new or less familiar situations, within a broader context (or in multi-discipline contexts) related to their field of specialization.
A3	Students will be able to integrate diverse knowledge areas, and address the complexity of making statements on the basis of information which, notwithstanding incomplete or limited, may include thoughts about the ethical and social responsibilities entailed to the application of their professional capabilities and judgements.
A4	Students will learn to communicate their conclusions ---and the hypotheses and ultimate reasoning in their support--- to expert and non-expert audiences in a clear and unambiguous way.
B1	To have skills for analysis and synthesis. To have ability to project, model, calculate and design solutions in the area of information, network or system security in every application area.
B2	Ability for problem-solving. Ability to solve, using the acquired knowledge, specific problems in the technical field of information, network or system security.
B5	Students will have ability to apply theoretical knowledge to practical situations, within the scope of infrastructures, equipment or specific application domains, and designed for precise operating requirements
C4	To understand and to apply the methods and tools of cybersecurity to protect data and computers, communication networks, databases, computer programs and information services.
C6	To develop and apply forensic research techniques for analysing incidents or cybersecurity threats.
C9	Ability to write clear, concise and motivated projects and work plans in the field of cybersecurity.
C15	Ability to identify the value of information for an institution, economic or of other sort; ability to identify the critical procedures in an institution, and the impact due to their disruption; ability to identify the internal and external requirements that guarantee readiness upon security attacks.
D4	Ability to ponder the importance of information security in the economic progress of society.
D5	Ability for oral and written communication in English.

Learning outcomes

Expected results from this subject	Training and Learning Results
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Knowing the fundamental concepts associated with security in mobile operating systems and the development of secure apps.	A2 B1 C4 C15 D4 D5
Identifying an app with malicious behavior and vulnerabilities in operating systems and apps	A4 B2 C4 D4 D5
Being able to perform a forensic analysis of a mobile device	A3 B2 C6 D5
Knowing the fundamentals of mobile device management systems	A2 B1 B2 B5 C9 D5

Contents

Topic

Introduction: Threats and vulnerabilities that affect mobile devices

Mobile devices architectures

Security models in mobile devices

Writing secure Applications

Permissions
Packages management
Users management
APIs

Data assurance

Devices assurance

Network assurance

Vulnerabilities, exploits and malicious applications

Forensic analysis of mobile operating systems

Mobile Device Management Systems

Planning

	Class hours	Hours outside the classroom	Total hours
Lecturing	9	9	18
Computer practices	10	10	20
Objective questions exam	2	14	16
Problem and/or exercise solving	0	11	11
Practices report	0	10	10

*The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

Methodologies

	Description
Lecturing	The professors of the course present the main theoretical contents related to security in mobile devices. Through this methodology competencies CB3, CG1, CE4, CE15, and CT4 get developed.
Computer practices	Students will complete guided and supervised practices in the laboratory. Through this methodology the competencies CG2, CG5, CB2, CB4, CE4, CE6, and CE9 get developed.

Personalized assistance

Methodologies	Description
Computer practices	The professors of the course will provide individual attention to the students during the course, solving their questions. Questions will be answered during the lab sessions or during tutorial sessions. Teachers will establish timetables for this purpose at the beginning of the course. This schedule will be published on the course website.

Lecturing	The professors of the course will provide individual attention to the students during the course, solving their questions. Questions will be answered during the master sessions or during tutorial sessions (also virtually). Teachers will establish timetables for this purpose at the beginning of the course. This schedule will be published on the course website.
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Assessment				
	Description	Qualification	Training and Learning Results	
Objective questions exam	Short-questions exam on the theoretical and practical contents reviewed throughout the course, both in the lectures and in the laboratory practices. This exam will be done at the end of the bimester.	50	A3 A4	C4
Problem and/or exercise solving	Problem-solving tests where students make use of the acquired knowledge, in both theoretical and practical sessions. This test will be carried out throughout the bimester, with partial deliveries on the dates indicated by teachers.	20	A2 A4	B1 B2 C4
Practices report	Students will individually fill questionnaires and/or write practice reports, where the right development and understanding of the practice get probed.	30	A4	B5 C4 C6 C9 C15 D4

Other comments on the Evaluation

FIRST CALL

Following the guidelines of the degree, two evaluation systems will be offered to students attending this course: continuous assessment and eventual assessment.

Before the end of the second week of the course, students must declare if they opt for the continuous assessment or the eventual assessment. Those who opt for the continuous assessment system may not be listed as "not presented" if they make a delivery or an assessment test after the communication of their decision.

Continuous assessment system

The final grade of the course will be equal to the weighted arithmetic average of the tests previously indicated. To pass the course the final grade must be greater or equal to five.

Eventual assessment system

The final grade of the course will be equal to the weighted arithmetic average of the tests previously indicated. In this case, the problem-solving test (troubleshooting) will be done in a single test at the end of the bimester. To pass the course the final grade must be greater or equal to five.

SECOND CALL

The assessment will consist in an objective questions exam, a problem-solving exam and delivering the practice reports of all the practices carried out throughout the course.

OTHER COMMENTS

The obtained grades are only valid for the current academic year.

The use of any material during the tests will have to be explicitly authorized.

Plagiarism is regarded as serious dishonest behavior. If any form of plagiarism is detected in any of the tests or exams, the final grade will be FAIL (0), and the incident will be reported to the corresponding academic authorities for prosecution.

Sources of information

Basic Bibliography

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Complementary Bibliography

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Recommendations

Other comments

It is recommended to have Linux OS and Java programming skills. It is also recommended, but not indispensable, to have Android programming skills.
