SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE

CMIS 108 Computer Concepts and Applications
New Freshman Seminar – Fall 2012
Sections F01, F02, F04, F05, F06, F09, F10, F12, F13, and F15

What does this course cover?

CMIS 108 focuses on two components: knowledge (fundamental computer concepts) and skills (using personal productivity applications). You will learn/refresh your knowledge of computing fundamentals (hardware, software, the Internet, information security, digital media, e-commerce, artificial intelligence) by exploring the impact that technology has on individuals and organizations; the effects of current technology infrastructure; and use, duplication, and transmission of information in our world. In addition, you will discuss computer-related social issues (intellectual property rights, digital life, freedom of speech, privacy, ethics, and globalization), by accessing the wealth of local and global information. Last – but not least – whether you are new to software applications or have been using them for years, you will learn new tips and tricks!

What are the objectives of this course?

1) Introduce you to computing fundamentals and computer-related social issues.
2) Exhibit proficiency with software applications.
3) Prepare you to achieve your academic goals.
4) Suggest and practice effective study skills and habits.
5) Introduce you to University academic support services and to the many non-academic social and cultural resources.

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Why should I choose this course?

Technology is fun – and frustrating! Is your electronic persona safe? Are you effectively utilizing technology resources on- and off-campus? Do you use technology in new and interesting ways? Share and learn new cool stuff!

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