

# SPECIAL TOPICS (SPTP)

**SPTP 1000 – Intro to Amer. Sign Language** 3 credit hours  
**Schedule type:** Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1010 – Intro to Networking** 3 credit hours  
 Upon completion of this course, students will have a basic understanding of the function and operation of the major elements of personal computer systems, laptops, tablets and mobile devices, and how to localize and correct common hardware and software problems. Students will have hands-on, real-world experience to reinforce the concepts. Students will also gain experience setting up a Local Area Network (LAN), understanding configurations, the architecture, structure, functions, components, and models of the Internet and other computer networks; the principles and structure of IP addressing and the fundamentals of Ethernet concepts, media, and operations; beginning router and switch configuration; and implementation of IP addressing schemes. Special emphasis will be placed on how systems are configured, modified, and expanded to meet new requirements. Lab Fee: \$20.00 (Fees are subject to change) Fees cover, but are not limited to: CAT 5 crimpers and CAT 5 cable strippers, cables, termination ends, misc.equipment. 3.00 Lecture Hours 0.00 Lab Hours 3.00 Total Hours Not Transferable PREREQUISITE: BUSN 1150 and completion of all required developmental coursework. Level: Undergraduate  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1110 – History of Oil** 3 credit hours  
 The course is a survey of World History from the late 19th century to the present with a special emphasis on oil and the important role it played in shaping society.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1111 – Integrated Humanities III** 3 credit hours  
 Review of the period of 1300 to 1700 CE characterized by an outburst of complex international political, cultural and biological exchanges when Afro-Eurasia and the Americas collided. Hauntings of "Civic" Memory in Global Capitalist Modernity, 1700-1900. This class is consider the :long Twentieth century" as the period of post-Reconstruction up to the present.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1112 – World War Two** 3 credit hours  
**Schedule type:** Lecture

**SPTP 1120 – History of Hurricanes** 3 credit hours  
 the course explores the history of the major hurricanes that have affected the Gulf Coast since the 18th century as well as how these hurricanes have changed society.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1130 – Long Ride to Freedom:Plessy's** 3 credit hours  
 Plessy's Legacy and the Black Freedom Struggle in New Orleans and Beyond. This course starts from the idea that the condition of the Americas is grounded in histories of profound un-freedom, and in histories of struggle to achieve freedom; these struggles are then grounded not only in an analysis of what the problems are but also in visions for what a better future might look like. Our task in this course is to chart out an understanding of what Robin D.G. Kelley calls the "freedom dreams" that have been guiding Black Americans' struggles from the beginning of their presence in the Americas to the present, as well as the conditions that have necessitated these efforts, and our study will revolve around a particular local site and the multiple ways in which it is situated in these larger histories and power relationships.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1140 – Integrated Humanities III** 3 credit hours  
**Schedule type:** Lecture

**SPTP 1150 – Encounter/Consequenc 1300-1700** 3 credit hours  
**Schedule type:** Lecture

**SPTP 1160 – Integrated Humanities IV** 3 credit hours  
 This course enables students to gain a critical understanding and interpretation of the 18th centuries. This course focuses on humanity in a global context, though it also works to specifically situate the beginning of the history of the Unites States within this larger view.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1170 – CDYC Planning & Documentation** 3 credit hours  
 In this course students learn planning, assessment and documentation strategies consistent with current initiatives in licensing and industry best practices.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1180 – Paralegal Internship** 3 credit hours  
**Schedule type:** Internship/Coop

**SPTP 1200 – HVAC Level II** 7 credit hours  
 This course introduces commercial HVAC and is the second level of HVAC training. Topics include Alternating Current (AC); Compressors; Refrigerants and Oils; Leak Detection, Evacuation, Recovery, and Charging; Metering Devices; Heat Pumps; Basic Maintenance; Chimneys, Vents, and Flues; Sheet Metal Duct Systems; Fiberglass and Flexible Duct Systems; Commercial Airside Systems; Air Quality Equipment; and Introduction to Hydronic Systems. Successful students in this course will receive NCCER HVAC Level II Certification. Course Fee: \$15.00 (Fees are subject to change) 4.00 Lecture Hours 6.00 Lab Hours 7.00 Credit Hours Not Transferable  
**Pre-requisite(s):** HVAC 1020

**SPTP 1410 – Life and Career Skills** 2 credit hours  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1510 – Women's Studies** 3 credit hours  
 This course aims to introduce the study of sexuality and gender. Questions such as "Is there a third gender?" "How are women represented in the media?" and "What is gender?" will be examined within a cross-cultural framework. This class will explore the experiences of women in the U.S and in other cultures. In order to engage critically with cross-cultural constructions of sexuality, gender and womanhood, we will examine both literary and artistic representations of gender (documentaries, films, visual art) throughout the semester.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

**SPTP 1520 – Have U Heard from Johannesburg** 3 credit hours  
 A seminar on the transatlantic connections between America and South Africa. This interdisciplinary course explores the historical connections between South Africa and the US. The course will examine the ways in which cultural, political and economic exchanges have shaped the two countries over the past four centuries, from the early days of Dutch and British colonialism, through Jim Crow and Apartheid, into the globalized present in which both countries are intertwined in ways that are not often recognized or analyzed. Specific New Orleans-area connections that would be addressed would include an examination of Zulu identity in South Africa and New Orleans, and research on the anti-apartheid movement in the U.S. in the archives of the Amistad Research Center  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web

- SPTP 1530 – Commun & Interact Early Childh** **3 credit hours**  
 In this course, students will explore the development sequences of language acquisition, expression, and reception. Students will examine the principles and practices of prosocial behavior, conflict resolution, and problem solving in the early childhood setting.  
**Schedule type:** Lecture, Web
- SPTP 1610 – EMT- Intermediate** **6 credit hours**  
**Schedule type:** Laboratory, Practicum
- SPTP 1611 – EMT-Intermediate Practicum** **1 credit hour**  
**Schedule type:** Laboratory, Practicum
- SPTP 2010 – Introduction to Routing** **3 credit hours**  
 SPTP 2010-01 Introduction to Routing The course will cover CISCO router hardware (including expansion slots as well as storage areas – NVRAM and FLASH), router configuration modes (user mode, privileged exec mode, interface configuration mode, router configuration mode), router security (console, auxiliary, and telnet or ssh password configuration, enable secret password), interface configuration (IPv4 and IPv6 settings, converting a WAN Interface card to provide timing), configuration of static routes, default routes, routing protocols (RIP version 2, OSPF, EIGRP), and configuration of WAN protocol encapsulation (Frame-Relay, PPP, HDLC). The course will also cover the Router-on-a-Stick configuration to allow for inter-VLAN communication. Students will have hands-on experience working with real routers as well as virtual routers in a simulator. In addition, the course will also cover the configuration of CISCO switches – i.e. switch security (console, auxiliary, and telnet or ssh password configuration, enable secret password), VLAN configuration, VLAN interface assignment, VLAN Trunking Protocol, as well as Port Security settings. This should serve as a good foundation for the CCENT certification.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture
- SPTP 2100 – HVAC Level III** **7 credit hours**  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study
- SPTP 2110 – Intermediate French** **3 credit hours**  
 Special Topics in French: Intermediate French Continuation of the development of language skills: speaking, understanding, writing, and reading.  
**Schedule type:** Lecture
- SPTP 2120 – Rise of N Socialism & Holocaust** **3 credit hours**  
 After their disastrous defeat in World War I, Germany looked for a solution to their rampant unemployment, devastating inflation, and lack of leadership. Some argued that Germany did not lose the war militarily, but that a betrayal by the “November Criminals” proved to be the culprit for Germany’s surrender and eventual collapse under the conditions of the dreaded Treaty of Versailles. “The Rise of National Socialism and the Holocaust” investigates this turbulent period of history where the world would be engulfed in another world war at the hands of an ideology that professed hate for one particular ethnic group – the Jews. Covering the period in European history from 1919 to 1945, “The Rise of National Socialism and the Holocaust” will begin with the origins of Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party and culminating with the total hypnosis of the German people into believing that their destiny lay in the promotion of anti-Semitism, the theories of eugenics, and the glorification of the “Aryan Master Race.” 3.00 Lecture Hours 0.00 Lab Hours 3.00 Credit Hours Special Topics Course  
**Schedule type:** Lecture
- SPTP 2150 – Race and Ethnicity** **3 credit hours**  
 This course examines the historical, political, economical and sociological dynamics of racial and ethnic relations in the United States. It investigates how race and ethnicity are created and re-created in society, particularly by culture and institutions, and the way these “social constructions” perpetuate social inequality. Students will attempt to understand and critically examine what happens in societies where people are “colored” by the myths and contradictions of race and ethnicity.  
**Schedule type:** Lecture, Web
- SPTP 2210 – General Physics III** **3 credit hours**  
 This course is a continuation of General Physics II. Therefore, we recommend that the student enroll in this course only after the successful completion of General Physics II or similar sophomore level General Physics course which includes the physics of vibrations, waves, thermodynamics, electricity & magnetism, electric circuits, geometrical optics, and physical optics. The calculation of the derivatives of simple functions and the solutions of linear differential equations for various physical systems will be studied. We begin by discussing the concerns of the physical scientist, the scientific method of investigation, discussion of essential differences of the physical sciences from other fields of study. We initially gain insight as we study the motion of familiar systems. Our guiding principle is to consider the universe as our laboratory. Therefore our studies will also encompass the very large (astronomical, the macrocosm) and the very small microcosm (atomic structure, electrons, protons, neutrons, and their constituent quarks). However, the various methods energy production, nuclear, fossil fuel, solar, hydro-electric, and geothermal, will be studied.  
**Pre-requisite(s):** PHYS 1100, PHYS 1110  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web
- SPTP 2310 – Special Topics in Elec. Constr** **6 credit hours**  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study
- SPTP 2320 – HVAC Level IV** **8 credit hours**  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study
- SPTP 2510 – Sociology of Religion** **3 credit hours**  
 The nature of religion, societal and cultural factors in religion, and the role of religion in personal and social change.  
**Schedule type:** Independent Study, Lecture, Web