NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
ITP 225 - WEB SCRIPTING LANGUAGES (4 CR.)

Course Description

Introduces students to the principles, systems, and tools used to implement Web applications. Provides students with a comprehensive introduction to the programming tools and skills required to build and maintain interactive Web sites. Students will develop Web applications utilizing client-side and server-side scripting languages along with auxiliary tools needed for complete applications. Lecture 4 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

Client and server-side scripting languages are critical to the integrated Web application. This course will cover a broad spectrum of Web programming technologies. As such, the course will fill the void between client-side Web page development and server-side applications such as enterprise Java and ASP.NET server-side applications to give the student a complete picture of all types of Web development.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

Prerequisites: ITP 100 and ITD 110

Course Objectives

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

a) Demonstrate how Web servers work and how to administer them
b) Include forms on the Web page
c) Validate input on a Web page form using client-side validation and server-side validation and sanitation
d) Activate a form action to call a server-side application
e) Design and implement server-side applications using a server-side scripting language
f) Access a server-side database
g) Explain the ramifications of security for Web applications.
h) Demonstrate how data interchange technologies fits into Web development
i) Utilize a scripting language library or framework

Major Topics to be Included

a) Introduction to Web server technology, development tools, and Web-based applications
b) Introduction to various methods used today to deploy web applications in a multi-developer work environment
c) Introduction to the deployment of applications to a Web server
d) Review of HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) and CSS (Cascading Style Sheets)
e) Introduction to client-side scripting languages such as JavaScript in Web application development
f) Introduction to data interchange formats
g) Use a client-side programming language such as JavaScript to develop interactive Web content including forms, style sheets, data validation, and animation
h) Introduction to server-side scripting languages such as PHP in Web application development
i) Use a server-side programming language such as PHP to create dynamic web sites
j) Use a server-side programming language such as PHP to validate forms and sanitize data
k) Review database operations
l) Use a server-side programming language such as PHP to integrate with a database in a web application
m) Use a library/framework that supports a scripting language thus promoting Rapid Application Development (RAD)