COURSE TITLE: Introduction to Microcomputer Use
COURSE NUMBER: CGS 1060

COURSE DESCRIPTION (with prerequisites):
An introduction to the use of microcomputers. Includes terminology and an introduction to the operation of typical microcomputer hardware and software. No prerequisite. No previous computer experience required but keyboarding or typing skill recommended. 3 semester hour credit.

NAME(S) OF INSTRUCTORS:
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EFFECTIVE ACADEMIC YEAR:
2012-13

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES:

GRADING POLICY:
The standing of a student in each course is expressed by one of the following letters and corresponding grading system:

A – 90 – 100
B – 80 – 89
C – 70 – 79
D – 60 – 69
F – 59 or less

The Chipola Catalog provides policies and procedures regarding the grading system. A student’s Grade Point Average is derived from the grading system/quality point scale.

ATTENDANCE AND WITHDRAWAL POLICIES:
Chipola College expects regular attendance of all students. Students who are absent from classes for any reason other than official college activities must satisfy the instructor concerned that the absence was due to illness or other clearly unavoidable reasons. Otherwise, the student may suffer grade loss at the discretion of the instructor. Chipola policy allows each instructor to specify in the Instructor First Day Handout whether or not an absence is excusable and what affect the absence or tardy may have on the grade.
A student is allowed to repeat a course a maximum of three (3) times. **On the third attempt a student (1) must bear the full cost of instruction (unless waived by Student Services), (2) cannot withdraw, and (3) must receive a grade.**

**MAKE-UP POLICY:**
Chipola allows each instructor to specify in the Instructor First Day Handout the makeup policy.

**ACADEMIC HONOR CODE POLICY:**
Students are expected to uphold the Academic Honor Code. Chipola College’s Honor Code is based on the premise that each student has the responsibility to (1) uphold the highest standards of academic honesty in his/her own work; (2) refuse to tolerate academic dishonesty in the college community; and (3) foster a high sense of honor and social responsibility on the part of students. Further information regarding the Academic Honor Code may be found in the Chipola Catalog, Student Governance section.

**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES POLICY:**
Chipola College is committed to making all programs and facilities accessible to anyone with a disability. Chipola’s goal is for students to obtain maximum benefit from their educational experience and to effectively transition into the college environment. Students with disabilities are requested to voluntarily contact the Office of Students with Disabilities to complete the intake process and determine their eligibility for reasonable accommodations.

**LIBRARY AND ON-LINE REFERENCE MATERIALS:**
The library is a comprehensive learning resource center providing information in print, electronic, and multimedia format to support the educational objectives of the College. On-line catalogs, e-books and electronic databases can be accessed by using the LINCCWeb icon on the Chipola Library website at [www.chipola.edu/library](http://www.chipola.edu/library). If you have questions about database usage consult the “How to Use the Chipola Databases” on the Library website or call the Library at 850/718-2274 during regular hours. Library hours are posted each semester at the building entrance and on the Library website. See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor recommendations and resources.

**TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES:**
The **Information Technology Center**, located in the library, is equipped with computer workstations. Lab hours are posted each semester at the building entrance and on the Library website. The **ACE Lab**, located in Building L, is available for tutoring and is equipped with computer workstations. Lab hours are posted each semester at the room entrance. The college’s learning management system is **Desire 2 Learn** (d2l). Classes become available on d2l on the first day of the semester. It is the student’s responsibility to log onto the d2l system the first day of class to establish the first day of attendance and to check announcements. For further information, contact your instructor or the Director of Online Learning.
ELECTRONIC DEVICE USAGE:
All electronic devices such as cell phones, beepers, pagers, and related devices are to be silenced prior to entering classrooms and/or laboratories to avoid disruption. Should it become necessary for a student to leave his/her “device” on to send or receive an emergency call and/or text message, the student must inform the instructor prior to class. If the student finds it necessary to send and/or receive an emergency call and/or text message during class/lab time, he/she is instructed to take all books and belongings and step outside the classroom to deal with the situation. To minimize classroom disruption and the distraction to classmates, the student will not be permitted to reenter the classroom during that class period. Any time a test is being administered, all such devices must be turned off and put away. If a device is seen or heard during an exam, a score of zero will be given for that exam. Initial and repeated infractions may result in disciplinary action.

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:
CGS 1060 is not a General Education Core course. However, it does address several discipline-specific competencies in the Technology Area.
T-1 Apply appropriate technologies to a range of tasks.
T-2 Communicate, collaborate, and create content effectively, using state-of-the-art information technologies.
T-3 Locate, access, evaluate, and use information from digital/electronic sources.
T-4 Identify ethical, social, and legal issues related to information technology.
T-5 Identify essential issues related to information security.

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<td>• Accurately define &amp; use microcomputer hardware and software terminology;</td>
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<td>• Identify and describe the basic component functions (input, processing, output, storage, communications) of microcomputer equipment;</td>
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<td>• Perform basic microcomputer operations such as startup/shutdown and use of the keyboard and mouse;</td>
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<td>• Perform disk and file</td>
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management tasks using the Windows operating system, including files and other resources on a local area network;
- Accurately describe the difference between the Internet and the World Wide Web;
- Locate information on the World Wide Web and use such resources appropriately;
- Collaborate using state-of-the-art Web-based technologies.
- Name and use basic features of at least one commercial or online software package for word processing, spreadsheet, presentation graphics, and AV media applications;
- Discuss ethical, social, and legal issues related to information security and use of information technology.

**Assessment Codes**

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**MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

1. Read and study assigned material from the text;
2. Complete practice exercises and daily assignments and submit in a timely manner;
3. Pursue independent study using resource materials available in the library (books, periodicals, and videos), the Tech Center lab, online resources, and any other pertinent source;
4. Demonstrate your mastery of the required skills on quizzes, in-class projects, and exams.

**ASSIGNMENT AND/OR COURSE OUTLINE**

See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor assignment schedule.