

COURSE OUTLINE

**Office Business Technology 140  
Internet**

**Catalog Statement**

OBT 140 provides students with a basic introduction to accessing and using the Internet. Topics covered include how to connect to the Internet, use of web browsers, use of search engines, and how to access services and information on the Internet.

Total Lecture Units: 0.0

Total Laboratory Units: 0.0

**Total Course Units: 0.0**

Total Lecture Hours: 16.0

Total Laboratory Hours: 0.0

Total Laboratory Hours To Be Arranged: 0.0

**Total Faculty Contact Hours: 16.0**

**Total Student Contact Hours: 16.0**

Recommended Preparation: ESL30 or equivalent.

**Course Entry Expectations**

Prior to enrolling in the course, the student should be able to:

- decode short reading passages;
- comprehend dialogues, role playing, and lectures;
- converse at a functional level adequate for everyday use.

**Course Exit Standards**

Upon successful completion of the required coursework, the student will be able to:

- access the internet for research and communication;
- recognize the importance of managing individual privacy and security;
- explore the world wide web.

**Course Content**

**Tools (3 hours)**

Browsers

Search tools

Search strategies

**Research on the Net (3 hours)**

Online libraries

Newspapers, magazines, and other media

Homework

Doing personal research on the internet

**Shopping Online (2 hours)**

**Total Faculty Contact Hours = 16.0**

Finding shopping sites  
Smart shopping tools  
Where should you buy  
Sales tax and online buying  
Security and reliability

Using the Internet for Communications (**3 hours**)

Chat groups  
Internet relay chat (IRC)  
Instant messaging  
Voice over internet phone (VoIP)  
Privacy and security

Community on the Internet (**2 hours**)

Chat groups  
Web-based discussion forums  
E-mail  
Finding people  
Clubs

Educational Opportunities on the Net (**3 hours**)

What is distance education?  
Who uses distance education?  
Online courses  
Online tutorials  
Pros and cons of online learning

### **Methods of Instruction**

The following methods of instruction may be used in this course:

- classroom lecture and demonstration;
- hands on computer exercises;
- group discussion.

### **Out of Class Assignments**

The following out of class assignments may be used in this course:  
Not applicable.

### **Methods of Evaluation**

The following methods of evaluation may be used in this course:

- skill exercises the end of each chapter;
- final exam.

### **Textbooks**

Brown, H. *Internet Tools*. Cincinnati: South-Western, 2013. Print.  
9<sup>th</sup> Grade Textbook Reading Level. ISBN: 0-538-43271-3

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the required coursework, the student will be able to:

- add and organize favorites, links, browsers, and tabs;
- demonstrate the ability to find desired information on the Internet;
- use the Internet for written communication.