Computer and Digital Forensics

Investigate cyber breaches by gathering and examining digital evidence and preparing evidence for court following forensic processes.

### Minor requirements

**Core requirements (12 units):**
- ITP-125L “From Hackers to CEOs: Introduction to Information Security” (2 units)
- ITP-375 “Digital Forensics” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-125]
- ITP-475 “Advanced Digital Forensics” (4 units) [prerequisite: ITP-375]
- ITP-479 “Cyber Law and Privacy” (3 units)

**Electives (6 units):**
- ITP-325 “Ethical Hacking and Systems Defense” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-125]
- ITP-445 “Macintosh, OS X, and iOS Forensics” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-375]
- ITP-446 “Cyber Breach Investigations” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-375]
- ITP-447 “Mobile Device Security and Forensics” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-375]
- ITP-448 “Cyber Litigation Support” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-375]

### Specialization requirements

**Core requirements (9 units):**
- ITP-125L “From Hackers to CEOs: Introduction to Information Security” (2 units)
- ITP-375 “Digital Forensics” (3 units) [prerequisite: ITP-125]
- ITP-475 “Advanced Digital Forensics” (4 units) [prerequisite: ITP-375]

### Skills

- Ethics
- Hacking
- Digital analysis
- Investigation techniques
- Forensic report writing

### Careers

- Consultant
- Cyber investigator
- Incident response analyst

### Policies

- All minors at USC need **16 units** that only meet minor requirements and do not meet any other major, minor, or GE requirement.
- All courses completed for your minor or specialization must be completed for a **letter grade**.
- You must earn a **2.0 minimum** cumulative GPA in the courses completed for your minor or specialization.

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Make sure you consult with your major advisor about how best to incorporate the requirements for your minor with your major and general education requirements. You must complete a pre-advisement course plan before scheduling an appointment with a minor advisor.