

## CS 6393 and CS 4483, Spring 2021, Prof. Ravi Sandhu

### Welcome Message

Welcome to the Spring 2021 offering of the cross-listed courses CS 6393 and CS 4483. I very much miss being face-to-face in class with you. This experience of a totally virtual and completely asynchronous course delivery is a first for me, since I did not teach in Fall 2020 and Spring 2020 was only half in this mode. Most of you, likely experienced this mode in Fall 2020.

I do not believe it is possible or reasonable to meaningfully replicate the camaraderie, learning dynamics and excitement of an in-person class in this mode. What we will do is utilize the beneficial aspects of virtual asynchronous lectures to create a completely different but meaningful learning experience.

This is an elective course. Presumably all the students have a particular interest in cyber security, so I will assume that cyber security is exciting to you all. My goal in such elective courses has been twofold: (i) to impart knowledge that will be useful to students as they proceed through their careers which will require some hard work by all of us, and (ii) to have enjoyment, along with the hard work, in the process. We will pursue these same goals in our new virtual and asynchronous mode.

WELCOME!

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