

Cybersecurity Certificate

The need for cybersecurity professionals is rapidly growing. Nearly every government, military, financial institution, medical establishment, and viable businesses collect, process, and store confidential information in databases. Cyber-attacks and digital spying can take many forms, including high visibility and very damaging offenses such as data breaches, phishing, and identity theft. Attacks can take place within databases, while data is processed, or when it is transmitted across networks. In the world of today, cyber-attacks may be a greater threat than terrorism.

Enrolled students will take courses online or on-campus and learn about best practices, new technology, and research in cybersecurity. The certificate program can be completed completely online or through a combination of online and on-campus courses.

Completion of the Graduate Certificate in Cybersecurity requires completion of 12 graduate credits. This includes three required courses as well as one elective course.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
CSCI 603	Defensive Network Security	3
CSCI 604	Ethical Hacking	3
CSCI 610	Computer Crime and Forensics	3
Required Elective: Select 3 credits from the list below.		3
CSCI 609	Cybersecurity Law and Policy	
CSCI 669	Network Security	
CSCI 773	Foundations of the Digital Enterprise	
CSCI 774	Topics of the Digital Enterprise	
CSCI 783	Topics In Software Systems (cybersecurity focus)	
Total Credits		12

Students can request consideration of other courses for the required elective by contacting the cybersecurity program coordinator.

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University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2008

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University of Texas, Dallas, 2005

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North Dakota State University, 2015

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University of British Columbia, 2008

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Brunel University, 2004

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Brown University, 1977

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