CYBERSECURITY ANALYTICS AND OPERATIONS, B.S. (INFORMATION SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus
End Campus: University Park, World Campus

Program Learning Objectives

• Knowledge/Application: Understand and apply the interdisciplinary knowledge of information sciences in a security context to recognize, analyze, defend against, and manage cyber risks.
  • Understand the components and interoperability of computer hardware, operating systems, networks and databases.
  • Demonstrate proficiency in programming and scripting to perform Cybersecurity automation and analysis.
  • Understand Cyber threats and appropriate defensive designs and tools to mitigate the risk of attack.
  • Understand the procedures for Cybersecurity Incident Handling and Response.
  • Understand the static and dynamic analysis of malware.

• Problem-Solving: Understand, apply and adapt various problem solving strategies, using appropriate technology and methods.
  • Identify Cybersecurity threats and implement complementary defensive measures to mitigate risk.
  • Apply data analytics in a security context to analyze, predict and prevent cyberattacks.
  • Perform malware analysis and forensics to understand the nature and origin of attacks.
  • Evaluate several Cybersecurity frameworks and provide analysis that culminates in a high level executive briefing exercise.

• Evaluation and Communication (Individual and Team): Communicate and work effectively (both individually and in teams) with a range of perspectives and audiences through a variety of media.
  • Synthesize data from multiple sources to help make informed decisions.
  • Communicate effectively to a variety of audiences through writing and the spoken word.

• Professional Responsibilities: Understand professional responsibilities in terms of the ethical, legal and security policy aspects of information assurance and security.
  • Understand the rules, regulations and issues related to compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to Information Security and Privacy.
  • Understand the legal and ethical ramifications of violating the trust that organizations will place in you as a Cybersecurity professional.

• Lifelong Learning: Commit to the continuous acquisition of relevant knowledge for professional development by self-teaching and/or ongoing education and certification.
  • Employ information-seeking strategies and self-directed learning in pursuit of current knowledge.

• Enroll in professional development and pursue industry certifications to enhance your career and the profession.