



CSCC Campus in Columbus, OH

At **Columbus State Community College**, we strive to equip our students for successful careers in cybersecurity. Columbus State launched its specialized Cybersecurity degree program to address the critical need for skilled professionals who can safeguard sensitive information against rapidly evolving digital threats.

Columbus State upholds academic excellence through hands-on learning opportunities both in the classroom, and in the workplace, all while targeting diverse populations that can help us build a more equitable skilled workforce.

Through our successful College Credit Plus (CCP) program and transfer pathways, we can help students launch careers in cybersecurity as affordably and quickly as possible. High school students can take college-level courses to help

offset the cost and time it takes to earn a college degree. We also facilitate articulation agreements for bachelor's degrees in cybersecurity at many CAE-CD designated four-year institutions.

Our industry-aligned, NSA/NIST-informed curriculum reflects where the industry is going and prepares students with the technical skills, they need to complete a two-year degree and transition seamlessly to the workplace. Columbus State creates a space where students can hone their skills and capitalize on opportunities to learn in workplaces across central Ohio and the nation.

Our paid apprenticeship program partners with local industry leaders looking to expand their talent pipeline with second-year cybersecurity students hoping to gain valuable industry experience. Students receive on-the-job training with leading companies like Nationwide Insurance and American Electric Power while completing their degree. This collaborative effort translates into high conversion rates for apprentices landing full-time positions.

Columbus is experiencing a surge in tech prominence, solidifying its reputation as the "Silicon Valley of the Midwest." Companies are investing billions in central Ohio, establishing it as an epicenter for advanced chip-making and IT innovation.

Columbus State is prepared to meet this moment—providing a dynamic and agile learning environment for students looking to establish themselves as cybersecurity professionals.

DESIGNATIONS

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