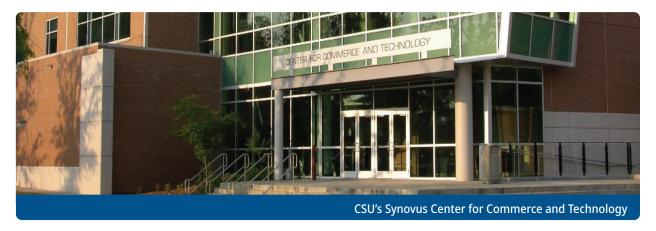


## COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY



**Columbus State University**, located just 100 miles southwest of Atlanta, Georgia, and adjacent to Fort Moore, offers 90 undergraduate and graduate degree options to over 7,000 students from the Southeast, across the nation, and around the world.

CSU prepares students to thrive in the 21st century by teaching through experience. Robust partnerships with businesses, outreach centers, and military organizations help our students create valuable professional connections. CSU cybersecurity students interact weekly with industry professionals. Internships, research projects, and fieldwork opportunities enhance learning by putting it in motion – empowering students through practical knowledge and hands-on skill.

CSU's TSYS Center for Cybersecurity was created to address the shortage of cybersecurity professionals

in today's workforce. With feedback from industry employers, CSU has designed several degree options that transform students into cybersecurity professionals in as little as one year, including a 12-month Cybersecurity Practitioner Certificate, 2-year Cybersecurity Nexus/Associates degree, 4-year Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity degree, and Master of Science in Cybersecurity degree.

CSU cybersecurity students access specialized "state of the art" lab environments to enhance their technical skills by hacking into environments or defending systems from threats. CSU's world-class Cyber Range, a virtual environment that immerses students in hyper-realistic simulated cyber-attacks, offers the closest experience to a real-world cybersecurity incident available. Each scenario is designed to disrupt the availability of critical systems in the training network.

Columbus tate University employs lab environments, industry interaction, and traditional education to train cybersecurity students to be workforce ready!

## **DESIGNATIONS**

• CAE-Cyber Defense

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