



The University of Nevada, Las Vegas Campus

The **University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)** stands as a public, urban research institution distinguished by the highest recognition for both research and community engagement from the Carnegie Foundation. With over 70% being minority students, UNLV boasts one of the most diverse campuses in the nation. UNLV's commitment to cybersecurity education is evident through its rigorous undergraduate Computer Science and graduate Cybersecurity programs, along with vibrant student organization activities. Through these avenues, UNLV equips students with the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in the cybersecurity workforce, fostering expertise in both technical and non-technical domains.

Notably, the UNLV Cyber Clinic offers students invaluable real-world experience by providing free cybersecurity services to local small businesses and

by educating the community on cybersecurity best practices. At the forefront of student engagement are Layer Zero, UNLV's cybersecurity student club, and the Women in Cybersecurity (WiCyS) chapter. These organizations spearhead competitions, organize CTF events, host workshops, and facilitate resources for certifications such as Security+ or CEH.

Since 2018, UNLV has been hosting the NSA GenCyber camp for high school students, with many camp graduates subsequently enrolling in UNLV's BS and Ph.D. programs. The university has garnered over \$7M in cybersecurity research and education grants from NSA, NSF, DoE, SBA, AFRL, Google, and private donors. These grants provide students with paid research opportunities, internships at national labs, and access to conferences. With its diverse array of experiences, UNLV offers a robust foundation for launching a successful career in cybersecurity.

## DESIGNATIONS

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