Graduate Certificate in Cybersecurity Management

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T83 CYBER 560 Cybersecurity Technical Fundamentals
This course presents a comprehensive survey of cybersecurity technology, including basic theory and concepts. Students will gain hands-on familiarity with cybersecurity technology through lab exercises, in-class studios, and scenarios. Topics covered include security considerations surrounding operating systems, the web, email, databases, wireless technology, the cloud, and the Internet of Things. Also addressed are cryptography, secure software design, physical security, and human factors in cybersecurity. Credit 3 units.

T83 CYBER 561 Oversight for Excellence: Cybersecurity Management and Governance
This course takes a comprehensive approach to the management of the organizational cybersecurity function. It also explores the principles of information technology governance. Course work provides a deeper understanding of best practices for managing cybersecurity processes and meeting multiple needs of enterprise management by balancing business risks and operational and technical imperatives. Toward this end, the course addresses a range of topics necessary for success, including the elements of and how to establish a governance program, cybersecurity management frameworks, developing and implementing a cybersecurity strategy, deploying cybersecurity policy and controls, ensuring standards and regulatory compliance, functional and budgetary advocacy, interfacing with the C-suite and board, and talent acquisition and development. Credit 3 units.

T83 CYBER 562 Efficient and Effective Cybersecurity Operations
In this course, students will gain understanding of what it takes to manage the people, process, and technology for effective and efficient day-to-day cybersecurity operations. Using the Cybersecurity Operations Center (CSOC) as the fundamental exemplar, students will learn the functions and processes that comprise a typical CSOC with an underlying focus on continually optimizing operations and processes to ensure agility and performance. Students will examine options for structuring the CSOC and core CSOC functions and processes such as threat intelligence; monitoring, detection, and threat assessment; vulnerability management; incident response; prevention, including awareness training; partner and third-party coordination; analytics, metrics, and reporting; training; and CSOC technologies and instrumentation. Credit 3 units.

T83 CYBER 566 Cybersecurity Risk Management
In this course, students will gain deeper appreciation of the challenges faced by enterprises when addressing cybersecurity risks. The course will cover the evolution of cyber threats, including attacker methods and targets across different industries. Students will be able to understand the differences between enterprise, operational and cybersecurity risk management and the role that each play (or should play) in managing risks to an organization. Students will gain technical understanding of industry-leading frameworks (COSO, ISO, NIST, FAIR) and become conversant with their strengths and weaknesses as well as the applicability and practicality of their implementation. Credit 3 units.

T83 CYBER 567 The Hacker Mindset: Cyber Attack Fundamentals
This course is designed to provide an introductory understanding of how offensive security techniques practically operate. During this course, students will use hacking techniques to compromise systems, collect data, and perform other tasks that fall under the generally understood use of the term “hacker.” These techniques will be related to risk-based defensive security practices, with a view toward enhancing the student’s understanding of what it takes to be a successful “defender.” By the conclusion of the course, students will have a baseline technical understanding of hacking techniques; they will have executed offensive security operations and increased their technical understanding of what it takes to deal with cyber threats. Credit 3 units.