Cybersecurity
Bachelor of Science (BS)

Cybersecurity is a national security issue and an economic concern for the U.S. Southeast is the only university in Missouri and one of fewer than 50 in the country to offer a cybersecurity bachelor’s degree. This new, dynamic major prepares students to be leaders in the protection of information systems.

This innovative program includes courses such as telecommunications, computer science and mathematics along with information assurance, computer forensics, network security and cryptography. Students learn to use technology to secure and defend cyber enabled systems.

The cybersecurity program at Southeast aims to educate students in the existing and emerging challenges in security and privacy of cyber infrastructure within ethical boundaries and legal compliances. Cyber infrastructure is an amalgamation of software, hardware and networking to process, transform and communicate digital content. Security for such an infrastructure involves nearly every aspect of software, hardware and networking. This corresponds well with the Department of Labor’s description of an information security analyst, whose typical duties are to research security trends, monitor and investigate security breaches to the network, plan and carry out security initiatives, develop standards and best practices, use tools to protect sensitive information, make recommendations for security enhancements, and help users learn and use security products and procedures.

**Cybersecurity graduates will be able to...**
- Protect an organization’s vital information and assets.
- Implement cybersecurity best practices and risk management.
- Understand and develop software to minimize vulnerabilities.
- Integrate stable network monitoring and present real-time security solutions.
- Analyze persistent threats and arrange counter measures.
- Conduct risk and liability assessments of information systems.
- Examine cybercrimes and support recovery of operations.
- Create, revise and communicate organizational cybersecurity strategies.

**Career Planning**
A St. Louis Outreach Office, located in Chesterfield, Mo., provides career exploration assistance, resume critiques, interview tips, job search strategies and more.

**Career Opportunities**
- Information Security Crime Investigator/Forensics Expert
- System, Network and/or Web Penetration Tester
- Security Architect
- Malware Analyst
- Network Security Engineer
- Vulnerability Researcher/Exploit Developer
- Security Auditor
- Embedded Security Engineer
- Software Security Engineer

**Internship Opportunities and Employment of Recent Graduates**
- Emerson Electric Company, St. Louis, Mo.
- Enterprise Holding, St. Louis, Mo.
- Accretive Health, Cape Girardeau, Mo.
- Sword and Shield, Knoxville, Tenn.

**Professional and Student Organizations**
**Cyber Defense Club**
The purpose of the Cyber Defense Club is to promote the cybersecurity degree in an academic, professional and ethical manner as established by the “Unified Framework of Professional Ethics for Security Professionals”, to work toward and establish a team to compete in the Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition, and to assist in promoting the cybersecurity degree program and assist in obtaining accreditation through the National Security Agency (NSA).

| Demonstrated Career Proficiency is a Requirement of all Southeast Students |
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| CL001/CL002 | First Semester | Complete the FOCUS2 assessment and develop a Career Action Plan. |
| CL003 | Junior Year | Students gain information about career planning and job searching resources. |
| CL004 | Senior Year | Students demonstrate advanced proficiency by identifying a position in their field, developing a cover letter, and tailoring a resume for the position. Materials are critiqued to ensure preparedness for a successful job search. |

**Career Services**, located in Academic Hall 057, provides professional career advising to guide students in their career development.

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This is a guide based on the 2014-2015 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use DegreeWorks to monitor their individual progress.

### CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

**Cybersecurity Core – 88 Hours – No Minor Required**
- CS155 Computer Science I (4)
- CS265 Computer Science II (4)
- CS315 C & the UNIX Environ (3)
- CY201 Introduction to Cybersecurity (3)
- CY310 Information Security & Assurance (3)
- CY320 Information Security in System Administration (3)
- CY410 Web Application Security (3)
- CY420 Computer Forensics (3)
- ET245 Logic Circuits (3)
- ET366 Microcontrollers (3)
- IM102 Technical Communications (3)
- IS245 Web Development & Security (3)
- IS375 Database & Info Systems (3)
- MA133 Plane Trigonometry (3)
- MA134 College Algebra (3)
- MA223 Elementary Probability & Statistics (3)
- MA464 Mathematical Cryptography (3)
- MN220 Engineering Economic Analysis (3)
- PH120 Introductory Physics I (5)
- SW207 Understanding Culture & Social Diversity (3)
- TN254 Network Communications (3)
- TN265 Microcomputer Maintenance (3)
- TN275 Network Fundamentals (3)
- TN375 Network Routing Protocol & Concepts (3)
- TN395 Server Maintenance and Troubleshooting (3)
- TN425 Wireless Communication & Mobile Data Networks (3)
- TN435 Network Security (3)
- UI410 Manufacturing Research in a Global Society (3)

**University Studies Requirements (not already listed above):**
- UI100 First Year Seminar, EN100 English Composition, Artistic Expression, Written Expression, Oral Expression, Literary Expression, Behavioral Systems, Living Systems, Development of a Major Civilization, Political Systems, and two IU/UI3XXs

### SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

**Fall Semester**
- Course #  Hrs
- UI100  3  
- EN100  3  
- ET245  3  
- MA134  3  
- TN255  3  

**Spring Semester**
- Course #  Hrs
- CS155  4  
- IM102  3  
- MA133  3  
- TN254  3  
- Behavioral Systems  3  

**Total**
- 15  

**FIRST YEAR**

**SECOND YEAR**
- Course #  Hrs
- CS265  4  
- MA223  3  
- PH120  5  
- TN275  3  
- Artistic Expression  3  

**Third Year**
- Course #  Hrs
- CY310  3  
- IS245  3  
- SW207  3  
- TN245  3  
- Living Systems  3  

**Total**
- 15  

**FOURTH YEAR**
- Course #  Hrs
- CY410  3  
- MN220  3  
- UH110  3  
- IUIU3XX  3  

**Total**
- 15  

**Degree requirements for all students:** A minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of University Studies program, career proficiencies (CL001-004), Writing Proficiency Exam (WP003), and completion of the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPP) at the freshman and senior levels.

Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or DegreeWorks for additional graduation requirements (i.e. minimum GPA and coursework) for your program of study.