



Glendale Community College - Established in 1965

**Glendale Community College (GCC)** is located in Glendale, AZ, and are the proud home of the Glendale Gauchos. In 1965 GCC opened their doors to 1,974 students in 1 liberal arts program housed in temporary facilities. By September 1966, GCC moved to their permanent location on 147 acres anchored by 226 palm trees. They grew from 1 liberal arts program to 41 associate degrees and 61 certificate programs and has served over 500,000 students.

With the GCC vision of fostering student success by providing innovative quality learning experiences, GCC's Cybersecurity Program was launched. In 2018 GCC became a CAE-CD center and is designated through 2029. GCC is also a partner of the US CYBER COMMAND Academic Engagement Network.

Through a STEM grant, GCC expanded their program in August 2023 opening the GSOC, Gaucho Security

Operations Center. The purpose of the GSOC is to partner with surrounding rural municipalities who need assistance with their cybersecurity efforts offering cybersecurity as a service, staffed by paid interns (students) in their last semester. The students are charged with monitoring, detecting, and informing our clients of vulnerabilities and potential threats to their system.

The GSOC provides graduating students the opportunity to graduate with over 300 hours of real-world experience assisting in the effort to close the gap between academia and workforce ready skills. Providing this opportunity to our students is a rewarding venture that fosters student success.

## DESIGNATIONS

- CAE-Cyber Defense

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