

WHATCOM COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Whatcom Community College (WCC) in

Bellingham, WA is a national leader in cybersecurity education and was among the first community colleges to earn the Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense designation.

The WCC Computer Information Systems (CIS) program aims to advance cybersecurity education by supporting students, working closely with industry representatives, and developing new tools to educate students as they enter the workforce, offering multiple pathways for students in cybersecurity, a two-year degree in cybersecurity, a direct transfer degree to Western Washington University in cybersecurity, and a Bachelor of Applied Science in cybersecurity.

Whatcom's CIS program is continuing to grow and adapt to meet the continuously changing industry

environment. The CIS program is well known for its SCADA courses and has recently developed new unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) courses that cover piloting (FAA Part 107), fleet management, and automation and mapping.

WCC is also host institution to the National Center of Academic Excellence Candidate National Center (CCNC, https://www.ncyte.net/institutions/centers-of-academic-excellence), the National Cybersecurity Training and Education (NCyTE, https://www.ncyte.net/) Center, and the Washington state Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (CCoE, https://coecyber.io/).

DESIGNATIONS

• CAE-Cyber Defense

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