Photo of the outside of a building on Whatcom Community College's campus, with lavender and pink flowers in front.

# Whatcom Community College Designated Center of Excellence for Cybersecurity

Whatcom Community College (WCC), host institution for the National Cybersecurity Training and Education Center (NCyTE), was recently designated a Washington State Center of Excellence (CoE) in Cybersecurity by the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC). This designation recognizes WCC's ongoing commitment to supporting the cybersecurity workforce education pipeline in Washington State. In addition to the CoE and NCyTE, WCC is also host institution for the Centers of Academic Excellence (CAE) Candidates National Center (CCNC).

Whatcom Community College is seeking a director for the Center of Excellence in Cybersecurity. Visit WCC's <u>Job Information and Resources page</u> to view the job listing and apply. Read NCyTE's recent <u>press release</u> to learn more about what this designation means for Whatcom Community College.

### Using the Cyber Security Evaluation Tool (CSET) in a Classroom

Attend NCyTE's <u>Monthly Member Meeting</u> on 8/19 to learn about the Cyber Security Evaluation Tool (<u>CSET</u>) and how it can be used in student projects and internship opportunities.

CSET is a valuable risk assessment tool that allows an organization to examine its cybersecurity posture against a specific standard. During the meeting Stephen Miller and Dr. Vincent Nestler will discuss NCyTE's use of CSET in a recent <a href="Cyber Career Challenge">Cyber Career Challenge</a>, where students from across the U.S. worked in teams of three to configure, operate, protect, and defend small networks of machines.

Community and technical college faculty are encouraged to attend.

**Register Now!** 

# Introduction to the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)

Save the date for NCyTE's <u>September Member Meeting</u> on 9/23. Join us for an introduction to the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (<u>AISES</u>). Learn about the history of AISES and the services and initiatives it offers to students, industry and educators—including diversity promotion, job fairs, and the upcoming <u>2022 AISES National Conference</u> on October 6-8, 2022, in Palm Springs, CA.

### **National Cybersecurity Virtual Career Fair**

The sixth annual <u>National Cybersecurity Virtual Career Fair</u> is on September 16! This event is an excellent opportunity for students and recent graduates from CAE

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### Photo of the White House on a sunny day.

## Whatcom Community College Invited to White House Cybersecurity Summit

On July 19, Whatcom Community College (WCC) President Dr. Kathi Hiyane-Brown attended the National Cyber Workforce and Education Summit at the White House. The summit brought together cybersecurity thought leaders from government, industry, and academia. WCC was one of two community colleges invited to the event—highlighting the important role community colleges play in cybersecurity workforce development.

Discussion topics included:

- Improving pathways to cybersecurity jobs.
- Addressing the national cybersecurity workforce gap.
- Diversifying the cybersecurity field.
- Educating Americans on cybersecurity skills to increase safety in a digital society.

Visit the White House briefing room fact sheet to learn more.

### Professor leans over students seated at a desk, and points to their computer screen.

### **Develop or Improve a Cybersecurity Program at Your Institution!**

NCyTE invites faculty and administrators from regionally accredited community and technical colleges to attend a free, virtual <a href="Cybersecurity Program Development">Cybersecurity Program Development</a> Workshop on September 29th. The workshop is for institutions building a cybersecurity program from the ground up as well as those wanting to improve existing programs. Stipends are available to eligible participants who successfully complete the workshop.

This session will be led by <u>Corrinne Sande</u>, NCyTE Director / Principal Investigator (PI) and Director of Computer Sciences and Information Systems at Whatcom Community College (WCC). Topics will include:

- Utilize a standard (NICE, CAE) to develop or improve a cybersecurity program at their school.
- Identify missing elements in their proposed or existing cybersecurity program.
- Describe the NICE framework.
- Describe the CAE program.
- Identify funding sources for a proposed or existing cybersecurity program.

If you are interested in attending, please fill out a brief survey (linked below) and an NCyTE team member will contact you with registration details.

Survey link: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VCKDBC2">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VCKDBC2</a>

#### CMMC 2.0— How it Impacts Cybersecurity Students & Professionals

There are a few slots left in NCyTE's upcoming virtual <u>Cybersecurity Maturity Model</u> <u>Certification (CMMC) 2.0 workshop</u> on 9/27 - 9/28.



The National Cybersecurity Training & Education (NCyTE) Center advances cybersecurity education in the U.S. by investing in technological innovation, resources, professional development and tools to support faculty, community colleges and the workforce pipeline of tomorrow.



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