DoD: Cybersecurity Scholarship Program (CySP)

Meeting’s Agenda on September 4, 2020

Announcements:

1. Congratulations to all the selected scholarship recipients: Kaishia, Rodney, Brooklyn, Tim, Cassandra, Edward, Dylan, Jacob, and Nicholas.

2. CySP grant staff are seeking a volunteer to record minutes for all meetings.

3. As of today, September 4, 2020, the official grant has not yet been awarded however recipients should not worry and will be kept informed of all progress.

4. Over the past few weeks, the grant PI, Dr. Farag, has met and collaborated with several offices at IUP to ensure that all scholarship recipients receive all scholarship benefits in spite of the delay in grant funds disbursement.
   - Cost centers for the grant are in the process of being established.
   - Dr. Farag will submit recipient tuition/fees waivers. No late fees will be assigned for delayed payments on tuition and fees until September 25, 2020.
   - The waiver form will be based on the following figures, and each recipient must confirm with Dr. Farag during this meeting:
     - Kaishia 12cr, Rodney 11cr, Brooklyn 16cr, Tim 16cr, Cassandra 16cr, Edward 15cr, Dylan 16cr, Jacob 15cr, and Nicholas 15cr.
   - A grant kick-off meeting will soon be held with representatives from the IUP Research Institute (RI) and the Grant Accounting once the grant is awarded.
   - As previously communicated to recipients by email, below are instructions on how to obtain textbooks. Each recipient will have a semester-based allowance of $625 for required textbooks. The Coop has already been given directions on how recipients are to order textbooks, and accounts have been established. All questions regarding the ordering of textbooks should be directed to Ms. Carly Krouse <zbgy@iup.edu>.
     - Visit the online store (Coop) website to order textbooks. In-person textbook ordering is not allowed.
     - Upon checkout, choose “Co-op Store House Account” as tender type.
     - The order will be processed through the recipients scholarship funds under each student’s name.
   - Below is a review of all discussions regarding scholarship recipient financial aid:
     - All should receive complete DoD Scholarship benefits.
Students can retain their Federal Pell Grant and PHEAA (Pennsylvania) State Grant, as both are entitlement programs.

All other financial aid, including other IUP scholarships, were cancelled as CySP takes up all financial need for students.

Questions about financial aid/other scholarships should be directed to Ms. Alisa DeStefano aldestef@iup.edu.

• Dr. Farag will create the DoD CySP scholarship on Next Gen System and assign $12,500 to each student for each semester, once the grant is officially received.

• Each NEW student needs to provide the specs and a quote, for his/her desired laptop to the PI. These requests will be first reviewed and then approved.

• Recipients might be eligible for health insurance coverage. Anyone interested should contact Dr. Farag.

Students’ Responsibilities:

1. Maintain your eligibility throughout the AY 20-21. GPA above 3.2, on-time graduation, no additional scholarships in excess of $5,500, etc. Please refer to the project website at www.iup.edu/DoDScholarship for the complete list of scholarship eligibility criteria.

2. Participate in the DoD internship (if requested).

3. Student MUST abide with the project requirements listed below:
   A. Attend ALL monthly meetings.
   B. Respond promptly to all email correspondences and/or requested information from the project PI, and funding agency.
   C. Promote the CySP & cybersecurity among other students, in our department.
   D. Participate in extracurricular activities, such as, Cybersecurity Club, cyber competitions, IUP Cybersecurity Day (Oct. 20), Cybersecurity Seminar (Nov. 5), etc.
   E. Update the PI and Co-PI’s with grades, progress, and any outstanding issues that might affect your academic performance.
   F. Work with the project PI’s on the assigned cybersecurity research projects, peer-mentoring activities and/or other assigned tasks intended to enhance the CySP at IUP.
   G. Submit a portfolio of your involvement in cybersecurity-related activities. This portfolio will consist documentation of activities, such as, club meetings, colloquia, workshops, conferences, etc. These portfolios will be reviewed and assessed, see attached template.
**Renewal:**

It will be mainly based on your performance in this program and fulfillment of the obligations listed above.

**Next Meeting Time??**

**Questions??**