

## IUP Cybersecurity Scholarship Program (CySP) Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2020 at 9am - Dr. Farag's Zoom Room

**Attended by:** Dr. Waleed Farag, Brooklyn Kotula, Cassandra Lefever, Dylan Dewalt, Edward Pykosh, Jacob Neulight, Kaishia Leraci, Nicholas Villano, Timothy Troy

**Excused:** Rodney Cesar

### New:

1. Official Grant
  - a. Has NOT been awarded yet, but do not worry.
  - b. Dr. Farag has been working behind the scenes to make sure everything is ready to go.
    - IUP will not charge us late fees.
  - c. Once the grant is received, Dr. Farag will process our tuition waivers and stipends.
2. Courses
  - a. Avoid taking winter courses unless you need to take some to graduate on time.
  - b. Will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.
3. Books fund
  - a. Each student has a semester-based allowance of \$625 for required textbooks.
  - b. The accounts are already created and active.
  - c. If you have additional questions or issues, please let Ms. Carly Krouse ([KBGY@iup.edu](mailto:KBGY@iup.edu)) know.
4. Benefits information
  - a. All CySP recipients should receive complete DoD scholarship benefits.
  - b. If you receive Federal Pell Grant and PHEAA grants, you will still retain these.
  - c. Any other scholarships, including other IUP scholarships will be cancelled.
  - d. You do not need to submit a FASFA as DoD CySP Scholarship recipients.
  - e. If you have any additional questions regarding this, please contact Alisa DeStafano at [aldestef@iup.edu](mailto:aldestef@iup.edu).
  - f. Once grant is received, Dr. Farag will send the semester stipend (\$12,500) through NextGen.
5. Laptops
  - a. New students can receive a laptop (up to \$1500).
    - Please provide specs and quote of your desired laptop to Dr. Farag.
6. Health Insurance
  - a. Please contact Dr. Farag if interested. **If not, please email Dr. Farag indicating that you decline the available coverage.**

## 7. Student Responsibilities

- a. Maintain academic standards for 2020-2021 Academic year (3.2 GPA, on time graduation).
- b. Participate in the DoD internship (if requested).
- c. Must abide with the follow IUP project requirements.
  - Attend all monthly meetings.
  - Promptly respond to all communications from your PI, and DoD CySP, and your DoD agency.
  - Promote the DoD CySP and cybersecurity around IUP.
  - Participate in extracurricular actives such as:
    - Cybersecurity Club.
    - Cyber Competitions.
    - IUP Cybersecurity Day (Oct. 20).
    - Cybersecurity Seminar (Nov. 5).
  - Update Dr. Farag with your academic progress and academic concerns.
  - Work with project PI and Co-PIs on relevant cybersecurity research projects and events intended to enhance the CySP at IUP.
  - Create and submit a cybersecurity portfolio with your involvement of cybersecurity-related activities such as:
    - Club meetings, colloquia, workshops, conferences, and relevant activities.
  - You can still attend virtual cybersecurity conferences.

## 8. Peer Mentoring

- Returning students will provide guidance to the new students to implement an effective peer-mentoring program. The assigned groups are:
  - Kaishia and Brooklyn will assist Nicholas, Jacob, and Eddie
  - Tim Troy will assist Dylan Dewalt
  - Rodney will assist Cassandra Lefever

## 9. Renewal

- Mainly based on academic merit and performance as well as fulfillment of the obligations listed above.

## 10. Meeting Adjourned at 9:56am

**The next meeting of the IUP DoD CySP group will be around early Oct. Time TBD.**

Respectfully Submitted By: Edward Pykosh and Dr. Waleed Farag