Overview
By completing this program’s four AACSB-accredited courses, you will learn how to evaluate weaknesses in an organization’s IT systems and make recommendations to improve regulatory compliance, reporting, and operational performance. After mastering new programming concepts, you will gain significant hands-on experience in both attacking and defending virtual systems. You will also demonstrate how to set up and troubleshoot both computer networking hardware and software.

The content in these cybersecurity courses blends business and technical approaches to provide you with the most practical, relevant training so you can confidently address a wide range of cybersecurity challenges. Complete coursework at home and on your schedule to earn your graduate certificate in as little as two semesters.

Every credit earned in this certificate can later be applied toward the CSU College of Business’s online (or on-campus) Master of Computer Information Systems (after formal admission per University transfer policies). However, successfully completing the graduate certificate does not guarantee admission into the master’s program.

Curriculum
• CIS 606 – Application Software Infrastructure (3 cr.)
• CIS 620 – IT Communications Infrastructure (3 cr.)
• CIS 623 – Cybersecurity (3 cr.)
• CIS 563 – Information Assurance and Security (3 cr.)

Note: This certificate may have courses in common with other graduate certificates. A student may earn more than one certificate, but a given course may be counted toward only one certificate.

Delivery
Online

Credits
12 credits

Tuition
$867 per credit
• Includes Student Services
• Fees assessed separately
• Financial aid is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame
Can be completed in two semesters if courses are taken concurrently or three semesters if courses are taken sequentially

More info
online.colostate.edu/certificates/cybersecurity

Contact
College of Business
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Application Deadlines
Fall semester: **August 1**  
Spring semester: **January 1**

1 Review Admission Requirements
   Generally, graduate certificate applicants must meet or exceed the following criteria:
   - An undergraduate degree from an accredited, four-year institution
   - A cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher from your most recent degree completed. Please submit an academic performance explanation with your application if your GPA was lower than 3.0.

2 Prepare Application Materials
   Current resume
   Describe the responsibilities of your professional experience and what you accomplished while in those positions; show the length of time for each position (including the month and year). International applicants, please provide the city, state, and country for your employment and academic history. You will upload this document to your online application.

3 Complete Online Application
   Complete the [online graduate application](#) and pay the nonrefundable application processing fee (payable online). As soon as you have completed the required information, please submit your application. Your application will not be reviewed until it is complete and all required materials have been received.
   Under “Select an application type,” choose the term (fall or spring) that you are applying to. Note: Some certificates have a preferred start term; please contact us for details.
   - Choose “Cybersecurity (Certificate) – Distance” when choosing the Program of Study. (Note: You must first select “Certificate” at the top.)

4 Request Transcripts
   Original and official transcripts must be received from the institution from which you received your degree. Transcripts from Colorado State University are not required. Official transcripts can either be mailed in or sent as e-transcripts. (Student copies are not accepted.)
   Send e-transcripts to: gradadmissions@colostate.edu
   Send paper copies to:
   Graduate Admissions
   Colorado State University – Office of Admissions
   1062 Campus Delivery
   Fort Collins, CO 80523-1062
   If your most recent degree (undergraduate or graduate) cumulative GPA is below 3.0, complete and email the [academic performance petition](#) to gradadmissions@business.colostate.edu.

Check Your Application Status
View your [application status](#) at any time to ensure your application checklist is complete or to check on updates. Once your complete application, including supporting materials, is received, the department admission committee will review your application and notify you of their decision.

International Students
See [website](#) for test score and transcript requirements.