

U.S. Department of Defense CYBER SCHOLARSHIP (DoD CySP)
Offered through the Computer Science Department at WPI
2021-22 Awards

Recommendation Instructions:

Thank you for helping this student pursue full funding for their cybersecurity education! You can learn more about this scholarship at wp.wpi.edu/cybersecurity (on the "Scholarships" tab). If you have any questions, email Beckley Schowalter, WPI's SFS Program Manager, at bwschowalter@wpi.edu.

Please follow these steps for your letter:

1. Include your full name, title, mailing address, phone number, and email address
2. Describe how you know the student. Did you teach the student in a course (which one)? Did you employ the student?
3. How long have you known the student?
4. Assess the student's potential for academic success in fulfilling WPI's degree requirements and excelling in cybersecurity courses.
5. Evaluate the student on each of the following areas:
 - a) Knowledge of the techniques of the cybersecurity discipline, including encryption, access control, physical security, training, threat analysis, and authentication
 - b) Knowledge of the human factors in cybersecurity, including human computer interaction, design, training, sabotage, human error prevention and identification, personal use policies, and monitoring
 - c) Ability to identify and analyze problems, distinguish between relevant and irrelevant information to make logical decisions, and provide solutions to individual and organizational problems
 - d) Ability to consider and respond appropriately to the needs, feelings, and capabilities of different people in different situations; is tactful, compassionate and sensitive, and treats others with respect
 - e) Ability to make clear and convincing oral presentations to individuals or groups; listens effectively and clarifies information as needed; facilitates an open exchange of ideas and fosters an atmosphere of open communication
 - f) Ability to express facts and ideas in writing in a clear, convincing and organized manner appropriate to the audience and occasion
6. Please print a hard copy of your recommendation, single-sided, on your school or company's official letterhead. Do not staple the pages together.
7. Sign the letter, and deliver it to the student as an original, hard copy. Emailed letters will not be accepted. If you prefer to keep your reference private from the student, please mail your original, hard copy to Beckley Schowalter, Computer Science Dept., Fuller Laboratories 243, WPI, 100 Institute Road, Worcester MA 01609.

All materials for each application must be received by February 4, 2021. Thank you for generously contributing your time to this scholarship request.