

Seminar



Cybersecurity Leadership Starts with GRC: Are You Ready?

Abstract. Cybersecurity isn't just about coding defenses - it's about leading them. This session introduces computer science students to the world of Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC), the framework that drives security strategy in every organization. Attendees will learn how GRC shapes decisions, ensures compliance, and creates opportunities for cybersecurity leaders. According to CyberSeek, there are over 355,000 job openings in Oversight and Governance, and nearly 50% of the jobs in other areas of cybersecurity have a GRC component. As regulatory oversight increases, cybersecurity professionals must understand the basics of GRC to be competitive in the job market. The goal of this session is to help position attendees to get good jobs and prepare them for leadership positions in their organizations.

Biography. Ms. Laura Rodgers is the Director of Cybersecurity Practice in the Secure Computing Institute at NC State University. She is responsible for cultivating and sustaining relationships with industry and government partners to promote collaboration, drive research and innovation, and help organizations advance their goals by partnering with the Secure Computing Institute. Laura is also the Director of the North Carolina Partnership for Cybersecurity Excellence (NC-PaCE), a coalition of thirteen educational institutions, government, and industry working together to meet the cybersecurity needs of North Carolina while strengthening and advancing the state's cybersecurity ecosystem. Laura also serves on the advisory boards for the University of North Carolina Wilmington Center for Cyber Defense Education and the University of North Carolina Pembroke Cyber Defense Education Center. Laura teaches practicum courses at NC State University and is an advisor for the Student Chapter of Information Systems Security Association (ISSA).



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