

4TH ANNUAL NC CYBERSECURITY SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

Feb. 20 - 21, 2025

THURSDAY, FEB. 20

8:00 – 8:50	CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST.....	BALLROOM
8:50 – 9:15	WELCOME LAURA RODGERS, NC STATE UNIVERSITY	BALLROOM
9:15-10:00	KEYNOTE: STEVE DYSON & DAVID FARAONE	BALLROOM
	Echelon Cyber & Risk <i>Cybersecurity in Flux: Adapting to the Shifting Regulatory Landscape</i>	
10:00 – 10:30	BREAK/VISIT EXPO HUB AND EDUCATION SHOWCASE	
10:30 – 12:15	STUDENT RESEARCH	
10:30 – 11:15	SESSION 1	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Beyond IT: Introduction to Information Security Governance. Elevating Information Security.....TRACK 1 - <i>David Rankin</i>• The Role of Community Colleges and Certifications in Building a Skilled Cyber WorkforceTRACK 2 - <i>Dr. Al Leaston</i>• IoT Security Unlocked: IoT Security Unlocked: Strategies to Defend using MITRE FrameworkTRACK 3 - <i>Krishna Chaitanya Rudraraju</i>• Building On Success: What's the Future of Open Source? - <i>Ruth Suehl</i>.....TRACK 4• Godfather Security: How Security Can Make an Offer that Development Can't Refuse.....TRACK 5 - <i>Larry Maccherone</i>	
11:30 – 12:15	SESSION 2	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quantifying Cyber Risk & Elevating Your Cyber Program - <i>Jon Sternstein</i>.....TRACK 1• Forging Ahead in Cybersecurity: Vision, Diversity, and the Power of Purpose - <i>Stan Oliver</i>.....TRACK 2• What We Got Wrong in Today's Vulnerability Management - <i>Erkang Zheng</i>TRACK 3• The Paradox of Secure and Private by Design - <i>Chris Romeo</i>TRACK 4• The New Frontier: AI Vulnerabilities and Their Impact on Security Response - <i>Lisa Bradley, Josh Dembling</i>TRACK 5	
12:15 – 1:00	LUNCH	BALLROOM
1:00 – 1:45	KEYNOTE: DR. JEFF CRUME, IBM	BALLROOM
	<i>Deepfakes and Synthetic Reality: Blurring the Lines</i>	
1:45 – 2:15	BREAK/VISIT EXPO HUB AND EDUCATION SHOWCASE	
1:45 – 4:00	STUDENT RESEARCH	
2:15 – 3:00	SESSION 3	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Power of Your Data: Turning Metadata into Actionable Fraud Insights.....TRACK 1 - <i>Chad Rychlewski, Matthew Joseff</i>• The Importance of CREATIVE Leadership.....TRACK 2 - <i>Mardecia Bell, Dr. Donna Petherbridge, Jill Sexton, Jennifer Domnick</i>• Let Devs be Devs Without Sacrificing Security - <i>Andrew McNamara</i>.....TRACK 3• Proactive Software Supply Chain Risk Management [P-SSCRM] - <i>Dr. Laurie Williams</i>.....TRACK 4• Guardians of the Neural Network: Safeguarding AI Training Environments - <i>Sushma Mahadevaswamy</i>....TRACK 5	

3:15 – 4:00	SESSION 4	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The 5 Stages of Cyber Grief - <i>Tom Scott</i> TRACK 1• Ethical Considerations in AI Development for Cybersecurity - <i>Anthony Gitalado</i> TRACK 2• Actions Speak Louder Than Passwords - <i>Michael Roman</i> TRACK 3• Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) - <i>Samuel Carter & Amir Lawrence</i> TRACK 4• Breach Happens! What's Next? - Intro to Digital Forensics, Evidence Gathering, and Incident Response TRACK 5 - <i>Lisa Cook & Luke Stephens</i>	
4:15 – 5:00	KEYNOTE MARIA THOMPSON, AWS	BALLROOM
	<i>The Intersection of Cybersecurity and AI: How to Make It Work</i>	
5:00 – 7:00	NETWORKING SOCIAL	BALLROOM
FRIDAY, FEB. 21		
8:00 – 9:00	CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	BALLROOM
9:00 – 12:00	MORNING WORKSHOPS/SESSIONS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Becoming a Hacker / Part 1 - <i>Omar Santos, Chris McCoy</i>..... TRACK 1• Honey DB Workshop - <i>Peter Hayman, Phillip Maddux</i>..... TRACK 2• Hack the Gap: Shaping Tomorrow's Cybersecurity Workforce TRACK 3 - <i>Tony Marshall, Kevin Robinson, Rachelle Waite-Bey, Marina Kelly, Anthony Gitalado, Jesse Rhee, Chris Montgomery, Jyoti Chawla, Dr. Bill Chu, Thomas Brown, Kemal Piskin</i>• Cloud Security for Cybersecurity Professionals - <i>Lauren Santiago, Vinay Bansal</i>..... TRACK 4• Cyber Guardians: Defending and Assisting in the Face of Threats..... TRACK 5 - <i>Rob Main, Jessica Nye, Peter Ahearn, Eric Zach, Bradford DeVoe</i>	
9:00 – 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Booth Approach: Strategies for Standing Out to Recruiters at Career Fairs..... TRACK 6 - <i>Anthea Gonzalez-Santiago, Avani Shah</i>	
10:45 – 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cyber-Ready Resumes: Get Yours Reviews by Industry Pros - <i>Adrienne George, WiCyS Members</i> TRACK 6	
12:00 – 12:50	LUNCH	BALLROOM
1:00 – 4:00	AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS/SESSIONS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Becoming a Hacker / Part 2 - <i>Omar Santos, Chris McCoy</i>..... TRACK 1• Save the Data - <i>Brian Williams</i>..... TRACK 2• Securing AI: A Leadership Workshop for Strategic AI Risk Management - <i>Michael Burch</i> TRACK 3• Transformation Blueprint for Developer-Centric Application Security - <i>Larry Maccherone</i> TRACK 4• Mission Critical: Safeguarding Critical Infrastructure in the Digital Age..... TRACK 5 - <i>Whitney Bowman-Zatzkin, Will Clark, Rob Main, Aden Klein, Dr. Kenneth Sherin, Meera Sridhar, Dr. Hossein Sarrafzadeh</i>• Reverse Engineering Workshop for Noobs - <i>Kelsey Merriman</i> TRACK 6	
4:00	SYMPOSIUM CONCLUDES	

Thank you for attending, see you next year!



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