

# **Program Advisory Board**

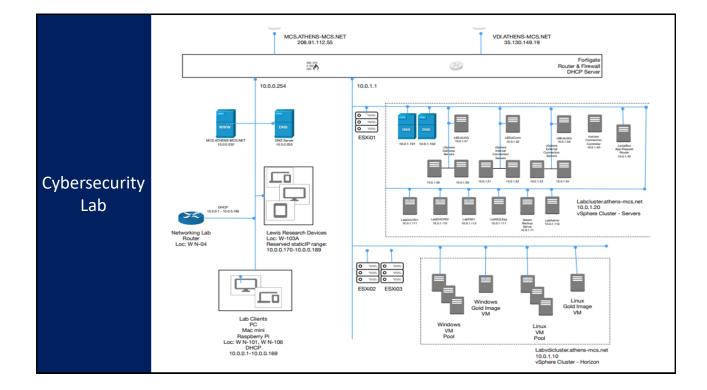
Computer Science(U-G), Information Technology(U), Cybersecurity (G) Friday, March 8, 2024 Athens State University





## Agenda

- Cybersecurity Lab
- Graduate Program Update
- Undergraduate Program Discussion
- Undergraduate Certificate Programs
- Industry need
- Wrap Up





### **Graduate Programs**

- Cybersecurity
  - 1<sup>st</sup> graduate expected this semester
- Computer Science
  - First 2 graduates expected at end of Fall
- Current Graduate Project/Thesis
  - Mitigating Social Engineering Threats with Machine Learning Computer Science Thesis
  - Innovative Solutions: Building a Web Application For Effective Debt Management Computer Science Development Project
  - WebDock A Browser-Based Docker Client Solution Computer Science Development Project
  - IoT Device Regulations Cybersecurity Research Project
  - Phone to Vehicle Authentication: Tesla vs. Hyundai Cybersecurity Research Project



#### **Undergraduate Program**

- Changes to Exit Exam
  - Cybersecurity added to the core section
  - Computer Science Algorithms, Operating Systems, and Algorithms added
  - Information Technology SA&D, HCI, Database Systems
- Capstone class
  - ACHE Grant allowed for a redesign
  - Internship role may be approved as a capstone project course enrollment and activity requirements still apply



### **Undergraduate Certificate Programs**

- Currently being offered:
  - Foundations of Software Development
  - Advanced Software Development
  - Cybersecurity
- Under Considerations:
  - Game Design/Development
  - Web Application Design/Development
  - Computer Systems & User Experience
  - Computer Networking
  - Artificial Intelligence
  - Health Information Technology

- Current certificate programs are 12 credit hours.
- Possibility of accrediting certificate programs by ABET
  - May require an increase in program hours



#### **Industry Needs**

#### **New Employees - Graduates**

- How are degree concentrations taken into consideration?
- Possible impact of "flat" program.
- What is the demand for a straight Cybersecurity degree?
  - Opinion: level of technical ability
- ABET and Graduate degrees

#### **Current Employees**

- Possible training areas
- Time frame
- Format



#### Announcements

- Six students are in the Career Seminar class and will be participating in Mock Interviews in late April.
- Seven teams of capstone students will be presenting their projects on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm
  - Zoom will be available
  - Announcement will be sent out in April
  - Three web projects, 2 internship projects, Modified CTF, and BioRube Bot
- Five graduate students will have open virtual presentations, announcements will be made when their presentations are scheduled

