MSc Cyber Security online chat session

This online chat session is for students interested in studying our MSc Cyber Security course. The session will be run by academic staff, giving you the opportunity to ask questions about your chosen course at City, University of London. As this is a typed chat group session, you will be able to see the answers to questions asked by other applicants.

Thank you for joining us for today’s CityChat session. This session is for students interested in studying our MSc Cyber Security course. This session runs from 16:30 - 17:30 (BST). This is an open chat session for you to ask any questions you have regarding these courses and life at City, University of London. During the session we may also share videos, policies or documents relating to your course. To ask a question, please type it in the chat box. Your question will not post straight away - it will be sent to our Moderators who will type an answer back. Once their answer is complete, it will be published with your question. Please make sure you say which course you have applied to when you post your question. You are also welcome to post just saying hi and introducing yourself!

Hello all. My name is Nikos Komninos and I am the programme director of the MSc Cyber Security programme. I would be happy to answer queries you may have for the programme.

Hi my name is Chris, I work in the Marketing team here at City. Looking forward to answering your questions!

Hello guys, my name is ______ Thanks for the session. My first question is: what are the prerequisites for the master?

Hi ______ thank you for the question. The Cyber Security course requires programming and mathematical skills.

Ok, what is the duration of the course and how many subjects?

The course is offered full time only (one year - Sept 20-Sept 21) and has 8 taught modules (topics). More info can be found here: https://www.city.ac.uk/study/courses/postgraduate/cyber-security

Cyber Security MSc Course

Cyber Security MSc Course - This postgraduate degree is for students looking to develop and attain skills for a career within cyber security.

Where are you from?
Hello. Can you please tell us about the current situation of cybersecurity industry, as in what skills are the companies looking for to hire?

Hi, thanks for the question. Companies are looking for technical skills, including depth in cyber security knowledge and use of practical tools. Job descriptions include security analysts.

What programming languages do you think is required for the course as well as in the industry?

What are the steps to admission?

You can apply online from the course website.

Is there any part time course? I work during day time

I am afraid not. Teaching is taking place 3-4 days per week.

What are the steps to admission?

Hi , you can apply for the programme here https://revision.city.ac.uk/urd/sits.urd/run/slw_ipp_lgn.login?process=slw_ipp_app&code1=00004100&code2=0018

IPP login screen
Please use your Student IT Username and Password.

What are the steps to admission?

If you have any specific questions regarding the application process, please email smcseg@city.ac.uk

How important of a role does learning ethical hacking play? Is it a necessity or an added benefit or both?

Ethical hacking skills allow you to understand the underline issues and challenges of technologies, networks/devices etc.

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Hence, it is a benefit for understanding. There are roles that do not require ethical hacking skills.
My story in 3 objects: Elizabeth van Deventer, MSc in Cyber Security at City

https://youtu.be/MaxYxz9euh0

Does anyone have any more questions they would like to ask?

Is being able to use Linux as a prerequisite for cybersecurity?

No, it is not. However, we use Kali Linux for coursework assessments. But we use cybersecurity tools and not commands of the OS.

Applying for a Tier 4 Visa

https://youtu.be/xmlFaR0nUJM

With the coronavirus situation, how likely are students of 2020 able to land a job in this field, keeping in mind that companies are firing employees due to financial instability.

Building high skills through a postgraduate course is always a benefit and will place you in higher demand. The opportunity will arise once the crisis with the coronavirus is over.
Before you apply for postgraduate study at City, University of London

https://youtu.be/Lf5gMaN6mw6E

Is there any plan for a part time course in the future?

Currently, we don't have high demand for part-time study, so no such plan exists.

Ok, thanks

Thanks for your questions. Let us know if we can help further.

Is there any topic that requires majority of the focus in cybersecurity?

Not really, although Cryptography covers the underlying theory of cyber security goals, including data confidentiality, integrity, availability and user/device authenticity.

Ok, I'd like to be informed if any program for part time students that work during the day appears.

Of course!

thanks

Thank you for the questions!
Ok, I'd like to be informed if any program for part-time students that work during the day appears.

Hi, in The School of Mathematics, Computer Science and Engineering there are a range of Part-time postgraduate courses. You can find them here: https://www.city.ac.uk/study/courses?level=Postgraduate&school=%22School%20of%20Mathematics%2C%20Computer%20Science%20and%20Engineering%22&query=part%20time

Course finder

Find the right course for you at City, University of London: undergraduate and postgraduate degrees, foundation degrees, evening and weekend courses, professional development and work-based learning.

Would you say that cybersecurity is a difficult subject or field to study?

It is as difficult as any other computer science topic. However, the combination of maths and programming makes it challenging.

Thanks, are those courses considered masters?

Yes, these are MSc (Master of Science) courses. It is required for someone to have an UG degree.

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You can filter on the course finder to narrow down to postgraduate courses, all of which are MSc.

Hi my name is [Name]. I am currently in the last semester B.Sc Computer Science (in India) and was planning to opt for M. Sc. in City college. Are there any other courses that I should have knowledge of before applying for this course?
Hi! Thanks for your question. What exactly are you interested in? If cyber security is your main interest, this is the course for you.

Thank you for answering my queries sir.

My pleasure!

UG degree?

Undergraduate Study (BSc - Bachelor of Science or BEng - Bachelor of Engineering)

Oh ok

thanks

You're welcome!

Sir, actually I am at present very confused about what course to go for regarding masters. But I find cyber security a very intriguing subject

Then, go for it! Have a look at our website to see the different taught modules we have: https://www.city.ac.uk/study/courses/postgraduate/cyber-security/2020

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In addition, don't hesitate to search by module title in www and check contents.

Ok. Thank you sir.
You're welcome!

There are 10 minutes left of this chat session. Please post any further questions now.

Yes, there is a lump sum of 2000 pounds for those who get a scholarship. However, these are very competitive across the School. See more info here: https://www.city.ac.uk/about/schools/mathematics-computer-science-engineering/scholarships-and-funding/international-applicants-scholarships

**International Applicants Scholarships for Computer/Library and Information Science**

Information on International Applicant Scholarships for Computer/Information Science at City, University of London

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Are there any scholarships the university offers to non-EU or international students?

Yes, please follow the link in my previous answer.

City, University of London: School of Mathematics, Computer Science and Engineering tour

https://youtu.be/Y8U5dK9zTml

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There are 5 minutes left of this chat session. Please post any further questions now.
This session has now ended. Thank you for joining us for today's chat. If you have any further questions please email pgenquiries@city.ac.uk