



## **Bachelor's Degree Completion Agreement**

This Bachelor's Degree Completion Agreement ("Agreement") is made by and between the University of Cincinnati College of Education, Criminal Justice and Human Services, on behalf of the School of Information Technology (UC-CECH), and Northwest State Community College (NSCC) in Archbold, Ohio, and collectively the "Parties".

Whereas the Parties have mutual interest in filling the shortage of qualified information technology professionals in the State of Ohio and nationally,

Now, therefore, the Parties agree as follows:

### **Statement of Intent**

Through this Agreement, each Party intends to facilitate collaboration and cooperation between the Parties in areas of mutual interest for the purpose of creating a clear and cost-effective means to complete the requirements of the Associate of Applied Business in Cybersecurity degree followed by the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology ("BSIT") offered by UC online (the "Program"). Each Party further intends to learn from the other Party, in a spirit of collaboration, equality, and mutual interest.

### **Scope**

Each Party agrees to exercise reasonable effort to complete the following.

UC-CECH:

- Accept students who maintain a GPA of 2.0 in the courses completed while enrolled in the pathway portion under NSCC, as defined in the academic plan, attached hereto as Appendix A.
- Deliver the bachelor completion courses in an online format, as defined in the academic plan, attached hereto as Appendix A. • Assist in promoting and marketing the pathway.
- Collaborate with NSCC faculty and staff to ensure consistency.
- Exercise good faith effort to ensure the success of the pathway.

- Provide academic advising to students in a collaborative effort to ensure associate degree completion and the transfer of students to the UC/CECH BSIT program.
- Appoint a contact person for the Program.
- Provide out of class meetings and activities (advising, career development professional development, etc.) in connection with the Program at NSCC.

Students participating in this program will have all the rights and privileges, and be required to satisfy the same academic criteria as those students who began their initial enrollment in the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology offered by UC.

NSCC:

- Communicate admission criteria to the pathway defined in this agreement to ensure students' success.
- Deliver the agreed upon courses (toward the both the Associates and Baccalaureate) defined in the attached academic plan.
- Complete all assessment reports needed by UC to maintain ABET accreditation (<http://www.abet.org>)
- Assist in promoting and marketing the pathway.
- Collaborate with UC faculty and staff to ensure consistency.
- Exercise good faith effort to ensure the success of the pathway.
- Provide academic advising and support to students in a collaborative effort to ensure completion of an associate degree and completion of the UC BSI T program.
- Appoint a contact person for the Program.
- Make space available at its NSCC Campus for UC to provide out of class meetings and activities in connection with the Program.

### **Term and Modification**

This Agreement takes effect on the date both Parties have signed, and terminates after the admission of three cohorts, unless the parties otherwise agree. After the admission of the third cohort, the Parties will review the Agreement to determine if it should be continued or revised; thereafter this Agreement will extend automatically with the admission of each new cohort unless the Parties agree to changes.

The program coordinators from both Parties will meet at least once per year to review the progress of the Agreement and recommend actions to their program directors. Any modification to this Agreement shall not be valid unless made in writing and signed by both Parties.

## Termination

This Agreement may be terminated by either Party immediately upon written notice to the other Party. Notice is effective when deposited in care of each Party's responsible representative, named below, or when otherwise reasonably effectuated. In the event of termination, the Parties will ensure that students enrolled in the program prior to termination are supported until they graduate, withdraw, or are dismissed.

### University of Cincinnati

### Northwest State Community College

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Lawrence Johnson  
Dean, College of Education, Criminal  
Justice, & Human Services

***signed in ink***  
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Lori Robinson  
Vice President of Academics

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 2/11/2019

#### ***Signed via DocuSign***

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Contracting Officer

#### ***Signed via DocuSign***

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Tony Hills  
Lead Faculty for Information  
Technologies

Date: 2/4/2019

Date: 2/4/2019

Appendix A  
**Template Five Year Plan for the UC BSIT – Cybersecurity Track @ NSCC**

Students are required to work with their academic advisors at both NSCC & UC to finalize their own degree plan

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Credits</b>
NSCC-1-1	BUS101	Introduction to Business	3
NSCC-1-2	CIS191	Computer Operations	3
NSCC-1-3	ENG111	Composition I	3
NSCC-1-4	CIS165	Java Programming	4
NSCC-1-5	CIS 195	Networking Essentials	3
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	NSCC courses
	UC courses

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>	<b>Credits</b>
NSCC-2-1	CIS114	Microsoft Applications	3
NSCC-2-2	CIS194	IT Security Fundamentals	3
NSCC-2-3	ENG112	Composition II	3
NSCC-2-4		Natural Science Elective (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, or Geology)	3
NSCC-2-5	CIS 109	Database Management	3
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	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 3</b>	<b>Credits</b>
NSCC-3-1	ACC111	Financial Accounting	3
NSCC-3-2	CYB210	Cyber Programming	3
NSCC-3-3	MTH109	College Algebra	3
NSCC-3-4	CIS193	Microsoft Server Technology	3
NSCC-3-5	CYB220	Security Auditing	3
NSCC-3-6	MTH112	Trigonometry	3
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	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 4</b>	<b>Credits</b>
NSCC-4-1	BUS211	Business Communications	3
NSCC-4-2	CIS155	Linux Networking I	4
NSCC-4-3	CYB230	Network Security	3
NSCC-4-4	PHI210	Ethics	3
NSCC-4-5		Social Behavioral Science Elective	3
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At the conclusion of their fourth semester, students will earn their Associate degree from Northwest State and transfer to UC BSIT Online program. They will complete the remaining semesters as UC students while taking the highlighted NSCC courses. Students should work with their UC and NSCC advisors to finalize their degree plan and develop their co-op schedule. Students will be required to complete 3 semesters of co-op experience..

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 5</b>	<b>Credits</b>
UC-5-1	IT2035C	Network Infrastructure Management	3
US-5-2	IT2020	Implications of IT	3
UC-5-3	IT1051C	Fundamentals of Digital Media	3
UC-5-4	PD 1010	Intro to COOP for CECH	1
NSCC-5-2	CJ130	Principles of Criminal Justice	3
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**Co-op Semester**

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 6</b>	<b>Credits</b>
UC-6-1	IT2010	Human Computer Interaction	3
NSCC	CIS129	Web Page Development	3
UC-6-2	IT3072C	Computer and Network Forensics	3

UC-6-3	IT4020	Management in IT	3
UC-6-4	IT3071C	Network Security	3
UC-6-5	POL 2035	Cybersecurity Strategy and Policy	3
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**Co-op Semester**

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 7</b>	<b>Credits</b>
UC-7-1	COMM 1076	Intro to Interpersonal Communication	3
UC-7-2	IT 3020	Systems Analysis & Design	3
UC-7-3	IT5001	Senior Design Project Management I	3
UC-7-4	IT5071C	Senior Design Cybersecurity Technical Practicum I	3
UC-7-5	MATH 1071	Discrete Math	3
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**Co-op Semester**

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Semester 8</b>	<b>Credits</b>
UC-8-1	IT5002	Senior Design Project Management II	3
UC-8-2	IT5072C	Senior Design Cybersecurity Technical Practicum I	3
UC-8-3	IT4077C	Special Topics in Cybersecurity	3
NSSC-8-1		Science Elective (BIOL, CHEM, PHYS, or Geology)	3
NSSC-8-2	STA120	Introduction to Statistics	3
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