



Certificate in Cyber Operations Pre-Application Form

Please complete the entire pre-application form to be considered for acceptance into the Certificate in Cyber Operations Program. Fields designated with * are required. This pre-application includes six steps:

- **Contact Information**
- **Education, Training & Self-Learning**
- **Work & General Experience**
(Resume must be submitted within 5 days if not available when completing this form.)
- **Self-Assessment & Problem Solving Narrative**
- **Drug & Alcohol Usage and Legal Background**
- **Unofficial Transcripts**
(High School or College unofficial transcript must be submitted within 5 days if not available when completing this form.)

If you have questions, please call 443-692-6600 or e-mail cyber@umbctraining.com.

Pre-Application Form Submission

E-mail completed form to cyber@umbctraining.com or mail to:

UMBC Training Centers
Cybersecurity Academy Pre-Application
Certificate in Cyber Operations
6996 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, MD 21046

CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name*		Last Name*	
Address*		City, State*	
Zip*		Phone*	
E-mail*		Preferred Method of Contact*	<input type="checkbox"/> Phone <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail

UMBC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, marital status, parental status, physical disability, learning disability, political affiliation, veteran status, or sexual orientation.

You must be at least 18 years of age and a United States Citizen to be eligible for the Cybersecurity Academy: Certificate in Cyber Operations.

EDUCATION, TRAINING & SELF-LEARNING

1. What is your highest level of education?*	<input type="checkbox"/> High School <input type="checkbox"/> Trade School <input type="checkbox"/> College/University <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate School <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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2. IF YOU ANSWERED COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY IN QUESTION 1, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS QUESTION.

If you have attended college or received a college degree(s), please indicate your major(s) and minor(s). If you are still attending school, please indicate your field of study and how far through the program you are.

3. Please list any IT, Cybersecurity or other technical training you have attended, the vendor and dates of attendance. If you do not have previous training, please enter "none".*

4. How would you describe your level of knowledge in the fields of Information Technology (IT) and/or Cybersecurity? Please select one.*

Beginner Novice Experienced Certified Degree Other _____

5. Please specify any IT, Cybersecurity or other technical certifications you currently hold or have previously held. If you do not have any certifications, please enter "none".*

6. Describe your general self-study habits. (i.e. what do you do for self/career improvement outside of formal training or education?)*

7. How do you keep current on what is going on in your current profession or field of interest?*

8. Please list any blogs, social media sites, websites or podcasts you view that are technical in nature. If you do not view any of the above, please enter "none".*

9. Please list any IT or Cybersecurity topics that you have independently learned and the means by which you learned them. If you do not have any independent learning, please enter "none".*

10. Describe any professional or personal reading you do as it relates to IT or Cybersecurity. If this does not apply, please enter "none".*

WORK & GENERAL EXPERIENCE

1. Please highlight your experience in technical positions. If you do not have experience, please enter "none".*

2. Please identify any computer programming, coding or scripting experience you have. This should include specific language(s) used and a brief description of some things you have coded.*

3. What computer operating systems have you used at either work or home? Briefly describe the types of activities you have performed using these systems (i.e. document editing, spreadsheets, email, web applications, databases, etc). If this does not apply, please enter "none".*

4. Briefly describe the setup of your home or work network and internet connection (i.e. general terms & types of equipment, no specific identifying information). If this does not apply, please enter "none".*

5. Please submit your resume with this form. If you do not have your resume available at this time, please e-mail it to cyber@umbctraining.com within five (5) days.*

SELF-ASSESSMENT & PROBLEM SOLVING NARRATIVE

1. Why are you interested in Cybersecurity?*

2. Is this a recent interest or a long-term interest? If a recent interest, please explain what triggered the interest.*

3. If accepted, what are you hoping or planning to do with the training and knowledge gained through participation in this program?*

4. Describe why you believe you would be a good candidate for selection into the program.*

5. Describe how you've applied problem solving techniques to address a situation. Specifically identify the thought processes you applied that led to the solution.*

DRUG & ALCOHOL USAGE AND LEGAL BACKGROUND

If you answer "Yes" to any of these questions in this section, please give the approximate date of each incident, explain the circumstances, and reflect on what you learned from the experience.

1. Do you now or have you ever had a substance abuse problem involving the illegal use of drugs or excessive use of alcohol? * Yes No

2. Other than traffic offenses, have you ever been adjudicated guilty or convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime? [Please Note: You are not required to answer "yes" to this question, or provide an explanation, if the criminal adjudication or conviction has been expunged, sealed, annulled, pardoned, destroyed, erased, impounded, or otherwise ordered by a court to be kept confidential.]* Yes No

3. Are you now involved in court proceedings for any reason? Please describe.* Yes No

4. Have you ever been charged with any crime where no final judgment has been made, but where charges are still pending? Please describe.* Yes No

UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

Please provide an unofficial copy of your transcripts from either high school or college (whichever is latest, even if you did not complete a college degree) with this **pre-application**. If you do not have one currently available, please e-mail the unofficial transcript to cyber@umbctraining.com within five (5) days.

I certify that all information in the admission process—including the application, the essays, any supplements, and any other supporting materials—is my own work, factually true, and honestly presented, and that these documents will become the property of the UMBC Training Centers and will not be returned to me. I understand that I may be subject to a range of possible disciplinary actions, including admission revocation, should the information I have certified be false.

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