Brown University Launches Executive Master in Cybersecurity Program

Program Prepares Visionary and Strategic Leaders to Meet the Global, Technical, Human and Policy Challenges of Cybersecurity

PROVIDENCE, RI – Jan. 20, 2016 – Brown University today announced the launch of its Executive Master in Cybersecurity program with enrollment for fall 2016 beginning now. The 16-month program builds on the university’s interdisciplinary excellence in cybersecurity, highly accomplished faculty and students, and practical, hands-on experience to produce visionary and confident leaders who understand the technology, human, and policy issues that form a successful cybersecurity strategy.

Cybersecurity represents one of the greatest threats to industry and governments today, yet the majority of cybersecurity professionals feel they lack the necessary skills and resources to keep up with the ever increasing demands for cybersecurity. Rather than trying to do the impossible by walling off the organization, students in the Executive Master in Cybersecurity program develop the skills and depth-of-knowledge to deploy and manage an effective security strategy that successfully defends against immediate and future cyber threats, and related enterprise challenges.

“There’s no such thing as perfect or impenetrable security. Strategy is the best security,” said Roberto Tamassia, Executive Director of the Brown Executive Master in Cybersecurity. “We’ve developed a comprehensive and timely curriculum that teaches cybersecurity leaders how to unite stakeholders in technology, law and policy around an effective strategy. By convening Brown’s world-class faculty of academic, industry, and policy leaders with student cohorts of accomplished cybersecurity practitioners, the Executive Master in Cybersecurity prepares professionals with the conceptual framework and readiness to respond to cybersecurity challenges with a comprehensive approach that incorporates economic, human, legal, organizational, technological, and socio-political factors.”

The Executive Master in Cybersecurity program is for highly driven individuals with 5-15 years of professional and managerial experience, and responsibility for security in business, education, financial services, government, healthcare, policy, regulatory, retail, or other sectors. These students will gain valuable insights and be prepared to:

• Address privacy concerns such as cyber intelligence, data privacy, and internet governance;
• Understand the security, human and privacy implications of emerging technologies, such as big data, cloud computing, mobile computing, social networks, the Internet of Things, and Web 2.0 applications;
• Gain proficiency in identifying vulnerabilities, anticipating attacks, using monitoring tools, and developing defensive strategies; and
• Build organizational resilience, and crisis management and response capabilities.

An informational webinar will be held about the program on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 1:00 p.m. ET. To register, go to: http://www.brown.edu/academics/professional/cybersecurity/events.php

**About Brown University Executive Master in Cybersecurity**
The Executive Master in Cybersecurity at Brown’s School of Professional Studies advances the university’s mission to develop reflective leaders, effect change in the world, and improve human welfare. With a central tenet that strategy is the best security, the 16-month graduate program offers students a highly collaborative learning environment that blends the best of online and face-to-face education, and is led by a world-class faculty of academic, industry and policy leaders from Brown’s Department of Computer Science, the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, other university departments, and from leading organizations in the private and public sectors. The Executive Master in Cybersecurity at Brown University prepares confident, visionary leaders who understand the global, technical, human, and policy challenges of cybersecurity. To learn more about the program, visit www.brown.edu/cybersecurity.

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