

Cybersecurity Technician (CYTE) Ontario College Diploma PART-TIME

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to apply?

Part-time students must apply to this program through ontariocolleges.ca
Use the code CYTX to apply as a part-time student.

When can I start the program?

Intakes: September

What is the Cybersecurity Technician program about?

In the two-year Cybersecurity Technician diploma program you'll gain a comprehensive foundation in protecting against digital threats while developing a broad understanding of cloud security, ethical hacking, digital forensics, and incident response.

The program curriculum covers core concepts such as networking, scripting and automation, teaching you how to build and secure automated infrastructures with support from different scripting languages. Courses in the ethical hacking stream provide opportunities to identify and assess vulnerabilities through penetration testing. In the forensics stream you'll focus on analyzing digital evidence to investigate cybercrimes. Finally, the incident response stream prepares you to manage and recover from real-time cyberattacks.

This hands-on program culminates in a capstone project in the final semester and equips graduates with the practical skills needed to enter a variety of roles in the cybersecurity field.

Career Opportunities

Graduates can choose to work independently or as a member of a team to support the security and maintenance of computer systems and networks. Graduates of the cybersecurity technician program can find employment as security operations centre analysts, security analysts and IT support specialists.

How many courses do I take?

Full program details and Admission Requirements can be viewed on the [Program Outline](#).

Graduation requirements

23 Program Courses

1 Capstone Course

1 Communications Course

3 General Education Courses

Additional information

To be successful in this program, students are required to have a personal notebook computer prior to the start of the program that meets or exceeds the following hardware specifications:

- Intel i5 processor or AMD equivalent
- 16GB of memory
- 500GB hard drive (SSD recommended)

Additional operating systems, tools, and software used in the program are provided to the student upon commencement of the program.

Can I complete this program online?

No – this program is hybrid delivery.

[Hybrid delivery](#)

Your course delivery method(s)

Hybrid

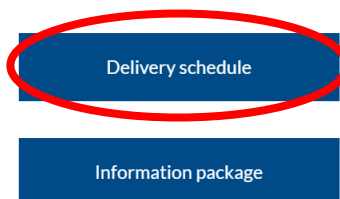
This program has a hybrid delivery method. Some parts are online and other parts are delivered in person. You'll need to come to campus for part of your program.

Part-time students in this program take courses along with the full-time students. There are no courses specifically scheduled in the evening. Courses are delivered on campus in a hybrid format. The course schedules (day/time) and delivery usually becomes available 6 weeks prior to the semester start date.

Communications and General Education courses are available online.

How do I know which courses to take?

We have set a schedule for you – review the Delivery schedule posted on the program page:



The Delivery Schedule shows the order in which part-time students should take courses. This was set by the program coordinator and is highly recommended you follow the path to ensure you have courses to take each semester. If you have questions about which courses to take, connect with the program coordinator.

How long will it take to complete the certificate?

Students following the Delivery schedule will complete the program in 4 years.

What is the cost of the program?

There is no program fee when studying part-time. Payment is per course, as you register.

Course fees can change each September.

As this is a new program, course fees will not be available until August 2027.

The most common course fee in September 2026 for a 42 hour course is \$354.90.

NOTE: Course sections and fees for this program show during the Part-time Credit registration (add/drop) period only.

This date can be found on our website: [IMPORTANT DATES](#)

Can I transfer credits/use prior learning?

The Credit for Prior Learning centre assists with:

- Transferring courses completed at another accredited institution which may be eligible for transfer towards your education at Georgian.
- Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) – students can challenge course requirements based on relevant work or life skills and knowledge gained.

More information on the above options as well as the processes to apply for exemptions, visit the [Credit for Prior Learning webpage](#).

If you have taken courses at Georgian in the past and they qualify for this program, they will automatically apply to your credential. You will see these courses in MyPath.

Are part-time students eligible for OSAP?

Part-time students MAY be eligible – this is individual and based usually on number of courses you take per semester. For more information, visit our [Financial Aid](#) page.

Questions? Connect with us!

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