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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences to revise the minimum grade requirements of the Undergraduate Certificate in Cybersecurity and Privacy will be an agenda item for the April 21, 2023, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu

Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro

**PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH OR CHANGE THE MINIMUM GRADE  
REQUIREMENT OF AN UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR**

**Date:** March 23, 2023

**School/College:** Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

**Department/Division:** School of Computing

**Program (Major and Degree):** Undergraduate Certificate in Cybersecurity and Privacy

**Proposed Effective Date:** Fall 2023

**1. Justification: What is the academic justification for instituting the requirement?**

The School of Computing faculty believes that it is only with a grade of “C” (2.0) or higher in all courses counting toward the certificate that students can demonstrate an adequate knowledge of content. The in-residence requirement will ensure students learn the required course content and achieve the learning outcomes that the department has designed for computing courses.

**2. Requirements: What specific entrance requirements are proposed?**

All courses required for the certificate must be completed in residence and with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.

*Completion of the certificate requires 18-20 credit hours. All courses must be completed in residence with a grade of “C” (2.0) or higher.*

*Required Courses (8 hours):*

[CSCI 4250/6250](#) or [CSCI 4260/6260](#)

[CSCI 4730/6730](#) or [CSCI 4760/6760](#)

*Elective Courses (Choose 10-12 hours):*

[CSCI 4250/6250](#)

[CSCI 4260/6260](#)

[CSCI 4270/6270](#)

[CSCI 4730/6730](#)

[CSCI 4760/6760](#)

[CSCI 4780/6780](#)

[CSCI 4960](#)

[MATH 4450/6450](#)

[MIST 5775/7775](#)

**3. Results: How will the proposed requirement solve the academic problems outlined in the justification?**

The proposed requirement will ensure the certificate is awarded to students who demonstrate competency in Cybersecurity and Privacy.

**4. Consequences of the Requirement:**

**a. How will this requirement affect the major involved?**

Not applicable; there is not an undergraduate major in Cybersecurity and Privacy.

**b. What effects are anticipated on other majors within the University?**

None

**c. Are there any other anticipated effects on enrollment patterns within the University?**

No

## Documentation of Approval and Notification

**Proposal:** Revise the minimum grade requirements of the Undergraduate Certificate in Cybersecurity and Privacy

**College:** Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

**Department:** Computing

**Proposed Effective Term:** Fall 2023

### Approvals:

- School of Computing Interim Director, Dr. Thiab Taha, 3/23/23
- Franklin College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean, Dr. Jean Martin-Williams, 2/16/23