



The **University of Rhode Island's Digital Forensics and Cyber Security Center (DFCSC)** is a multi-disciplinary hub on the Kingston, RI campus that harnesses the resources of Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, and the Office of Information Technology. Established in 2004 with a grant from the U.S. National Science Foundation, the DFCSC provides courses and degree programs, research, services, and consulting in digital forensics, information assurance, and cybersecurity. Its research objective is to formulate new concepts that help digital forensics and cybersecurity professionals protect the nation's citizens. The DFCSC also focuses on preparing the workforce of tomorrow through extensive outreach into K-12 education in computer science, data science, and cybersecurity.

The DFCSC members work closely with a number of different academic institutions, government organizations, state and local law enforcement agencies, and private companies. We draw on the expertise of these partners to help in developing digital forensics and cybersecurity related capabilities and guiding the direction of DFCSC projects and education. The Digital Forensics and the Cybersecurity programs approach teaching as a mixture of academic and practical points of view. This hybrid approach allows students to build a strong foundation and expand their knowledge by applying real-world techniques and tools to the subjects being taught. Students also leverage the close knit nature of the State of Rhode Island to obtain experience through internships, job shadowing, and apprenticeships.

## DESIGNATIONS

- CAE - Cyber Defense Education
- CAE - Cyber Defense Research

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