Columbia Basin College, Computer Science (CS) Department, was designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Two-Year Education (CAE-2Y) in 2017. This designation is given to schools that have proven a commitment to excellence in the field of Information Assurance and Cyber Defense Education. We are one of a few community colleges in Washington State with this designation. The Computer Science Department is committed to providing students and the community with the training, academic studies, and valuable hands-on experience necessary for employment in the Information Technology industry.

The Computer Science department offers Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degrees in Cybersecurity and Information Technology. The majority of the students pursuing Computer Science A.A.S. degrees transfer into our B.A.S. degrees. We accept A.A. and A.A.S. degrees from other colleges into our Cybersecurity B.A.S. degree and our Information Technology BAS degree. The Computer Science Department provides students with access to cybersecurity practitioners through internships, guest lecturers, and events. The department also partners with many local companies to provide student internships. The Computer Science Department also has a Cyber club that is very active in many competitions.

Students who complete the following two-year Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degrees will receive a letter that contains the designation along with a listing of the CAE Knowledge Units (KU) completed.

- Cybersecurity
- Database Administration
- Information Technology
- Network Administrator

DESIGNATIONS
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