In 2014, the University of Maine at Augusta (UMA) was initially designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) in Cyber Defense (CD) Education, and is still the only institution in Maine to be recognized.

Started in the fall of 2015, the UMA Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity degree program incorporates a multidisciplinary perspective through a combination of courses that offer a holistic approach to cybersecurity education by providing the opportunity to take courses not only in computer science and technology but also in the humanities, social sciences, and ethics.

In 2018, the UMA and its member institutions of higher education established the Maine Cybersecurity Center (MCC) as the designated Center for Cyber Education. Replacing the Maine Cybersecurity Cluster established in 2013, the MCC provides support and oversight for the core academic program in cybersecurity.

Dr. Henry J. Felch, Associate Professor of Cybersecurity and Computer Information Systems at UMA, is the Director of the MCC and the Cyber Program Chair. The goal of the Maine Cybersecurity Center is to provide the State of Maine with trained cybersecurity professionals by bringing together government, industry, and academia dedicated to workforce and economic development in the field of cybersecurity and information assurance.

Since the degree program began, it has grown to more than 300 students enrolled in Information Security Systems (ISS) and Computer Information Systems (CIS) courses statewide.

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