Since 1917, Hinds Community College has provided quality educational programs that are convenient and affordable as well as a wide variety of other opportunities for its community. The largest community college as well as the fourth largest higher education institution in the state, Hinds draws students from more than 70 Mississippi counties to the Jackson metro area. To help students find their purpose, passion and profession, Hinds offers academic, career/technical, secondary, adult, and workforce options at six locations in central Mississippi.

The Information Systems Technology (IST) department initiated the cybersecurity AAS degree program in 2008 and received the CAE-Cyber Defense designation in 2022. Our focus is to provide exceptional education based on concepts aligned with Hands-On activities to develop an understanding and quality skill set that employers desire and experts use in industry. As a Cisco Network Academy and CompTIA Partner, students also prepare for multiple national certifications. The IST department also offers degrees in networking and programming.

Hinds has an articulation agreement with Mississippi High Schools to offer dual credit IST courses used in the cybersecurity program. The Hinds’ cybersecurity AAS degree articulates to a BAS in Cybersecurity at Mississippi State University, a CAE-CD, CAE-R, & CAE-CO institution.

Along with industry and government partners, Hinds is dedicated to yield highly skilled and prepared professionals for the future.

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