



Redbird Plaza at ISU

**Illinois State University** is a diverse community of scholars committed to fostering a small-college atmosphere with large-university opportunities. ISU remains a first-choice institution, with a strong enrollment of more than 20,000 students, while maintaining academic quality and small class sizes. Over the past decade, our retention and graduation rates have been in the top 10% in the nation. U.S. News & World Report has ranked Illinois State as the best-value public university in Illinois.

A major in Cybersecurity from Illinois State University's School of Information Technology focuses on security basics, cryptography, ethical hacking, security defenses, and forensics. It covers current tools and techniques and managing security risks. To be successful in these areas, you'll get a background in programming and networking as well as basic knowledge of computer hardware and

systems software. You'll develop system and network defenses and perform simulated computer attacks to test their security. The Cybersecurity program at ISU gives you practical, hands-on experience.

Our class sizes are less than 30 students, allowing you to get to know and interact with your professors. The school has invested heavily in state-of-the-art infrastructure to support students on and off campus. Students are expected to complete a paid internship while working on their degree. There are many student clubs, including ISUsec. Our student teams ranked as high as #17 in the National Cyber League.

## DESIGNATIONS

- CAE-Cyber Defense

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