RIVIER LAUNCHES NEW MBA IN CYBERSECURITY LEADERSHIP

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Based on the growing demand for information security analysts and leaders in the cybersecurity field, the University is adding an MBA in Cybersecurity Leadership to its graduate degree offerings. In addition to the MBA, the University will offer a 4+1 program enabling students to receive their cybersecurity undergraduate and master's degrees in just five years.

"Cybercrimes and malware cost companies millions of dollars and oftentimes threaten their survival," says **Dr. Chari Henry-Wilson**, Director of Graduate Business Programs. "Organizations increasing use of technology makes the defense of their data and computer systems crucial to ongoing operations. Rivier's new MBA in Cybersecurity Leadership will develop and support practitioners and leaders in the field to advance digital protections, cybersecurity strategies, and the use of emerging technologies."

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, information security analyst is one of the Top 10 Fastest Growing Occupations; jobs are expected to grow 32% from 2022 to 2032, significantly faster than the average for all occupations, which is projected to be 2.8%.

Classes will be offered on campus with select online and weekend offerings. The MBA in Cybersecurity Leadership is designed to be completed in 12-24 months. Classes are led by industry experts who help students succeed academically and advance professionally.

This program launch follows recent investments in the University's business facilities with the complete renovation of Sylvia Trottier Hall. The newly remodeled Division of Business and Security Studies features cybersecurity labs that mirror a professional security operations center, collaboration spaces, a technology hub, and office suites.

More information on the MBA in Cybersecurity Leadership is available by visiting *rivier.edu*. Inquiries should be directed to the Office of Admissions at *admissions@rivier.edu* or (603) 897-8507. Applications are being accepted for the May 2024 program start.