

# National CyberWatch Center Individual Membership Application



The **National CyberWatch Center**, funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), is a consortium of higher education institutions, public and private schools, businesses, and government agencies focused on building and maintaining a stronger Information Security workforce. Members are critical to the growth and strength of the consortium in that they provide advice, effective practices, curricula, course modules, along with support and leadership for National CyberWatch Center programs and activities, and advocate for National CyberWatch Center initiatives to the broader community. The overarching mission of the center is to engage its membership and through them, drive the national conversation on cybersecurity education and workforce development.

The **Individual Membership** program of the National CyberWatch Center is designed around the following objectives:

- **To support** the national imperative for developing cyber-educated professionals by providing educational, networking, and collaborative opportunities between practitioners and educators from institutions that offer accredited degrees in cybersecurity
- **To foster** research among the membership by providing software platforms, data, and applications that support collaboration
- **To assist** in the collection of data that can be used to identify practitioners' areas of expertise and to enable them to interface with National CyberWatch Center management and member-faculty with a shared interest

## **Engagement Opportunities:**

The following opportunities for engagement (“benefits”) are available to all those holding individual memberships in the National CyberWatch Center:

- Receive **National CyberWatch Communicator** (bi-weekly e-Newsletter)
- Access to the online member site, with capabilities of participating in public and private Forums, accessing upcoming event information, and entering news items.
- Eligibility to participate in National CyberWatch Center’s **Innovations in Cybersecurity Education** program, including serving as a reviewer of the annual submissions.
- Preferential speaking engagement opportunities for National CyberWatch Center-sponsored events
- No-charge access to public webinars sponsored by National CyberWatch Center
- Member discount for National CyberWatch Center-sponsored workshops (discounts may vary)
- Eligibility to participate in National CyberWatch Center Committees, including the Curriculum Standards Panels
- Eligibility to create instructional content for distribution by National CyberWatch Center, with potential revenue-sharing opportunities
- Eligibility to earn CEU credits through National CyberWatch Center-sponsored events
- Promotion of authored works, published through **National CyberWatch Center Digital Press**
- Access to **National CyberWatch Center Library** materials
- Access to individualized competency-based education and training programs



### **Member Obligations:**

While few, the following member obligations assist NCC with assuring the validity of their member data, and encourage member participation:

- **Annual update of member contact information.** This includes verifying such information as your preferred email address and phone, academic degrees held, and national credentials awarded
- **Participation in flash surveys.** By assisting colleagues with your response to these time-sensitive surveys, you will also be assisting the profession in gathering up-to-the-minute data on timely topics. You also have the opportunity to suggest topics for these surveys
- **Protection of NCC copyrights, materials and logos.** National CyberWatch Center makes available a Brand Guideline document that guides all internal, external, partner, alliance and member usage of the National CyberWatch Center brand, logo, name and/or identity. It should guide all print, production and digital design efforts.

### **Annual Individual Membership Fees:**

Individual memberships in the National CyberWatch Center are approved on an annual basis. The current categories of individual memberships are as follows:

- **New grad-practitioner** – This category is for recent graduates, with less than three years in the workforce; Dual membership in National Cybersecurity Student Association and National CyberWatch Annual fee: \$50
- **Cybersecurity Professional** – For those working in the cybersecurity field, where their organization elected not to pursue a Corporate or Academic membership Annual Fee: \$125
- **Retired Faculty and Practitioners** – Those current faculty or retired individuals, unaffiliated with either a member corporation or academic institution Annual Fee: \$75

**Payment by check:** Your check for the annual membership fee should be made out to “*Prince George’s Community College Foundation*”. In the **Memo** field, please include the following text: “**National CyberWatch Individual Membership**”. The check, along with the application membership form (if it hasn’t already been filled out online), should be mailed to:

Ms. Fran Melvin, Program Coordinator, National CyberWatch Center,  
Room 129C, Center for Advanced Technology Bldg.  
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**Credit card payment:** You can also pay the membership fee at the following link:

<https://paytrace.com/cart/donate.pay?id=43906&mid=849501520886&amount=0>

On the page titled “*Prince George’s Community College Foundation Donation Page*”, fill in your billing information and other requested payment information. The Classification and Specification fields can remain blank (i.e., *disregard*): Select *NCC Individual Membership* from the **Designation** dropdown list. Fill out the credit card information. In the “**Special Instructions**” box, enter “**NCC Individual Membership**”. Finally, click the checkbox that signifies that you concur with the PGCC Terms and Conditions and the checkbox for identifying yourself as not a robot. You will receive confirmation of the transaction via email.

For specific questions, please contact Ms. Fran Melvin at [MelvinFX@pgcc.edu](mailto:MelvinFX@pgcc.edu).