

Industry Advisory Board
Friday 2, 2022
10:00 am – 11:15am
WebEx Meeting

In Attendance – Dr. Ashley Allen, Ms. Laura Rogers, Dr. Selvarajah Mohanarajah, Mr. Zach Oxendine, Dr. Prashanth BusiReddyGari, Mr. Mike Gorman

Welcome- Dr. Ashley Allen

Curriculum Overview and Feedback

- Dr. BusiReddyGari summarized the curricula of degree programs, with emphasis on the newly approved BS in Cybersecurity program. He highlighted the quality of CYB 3020: Introduction to Cybersecurity, which is mandatory course in all cybersecurity tracks. He stated that he has compared the curriculum of the new degree program to other universities when proposed to Board of Governors.
- Laura Rogers stated that cybersecurity was under the School of Engineering at NC State and she also mentioned that there needs to be a clear path between universities and community colleges.
- Zach works with 20-25 Community colleges. He suggested it would be a better if students were given an opportunity to lab administration or at least work on special projects because industries expect graduates to have infrastructure building and management skills.

Accreditation

Dr. BusiReddyGari mentioned that the CS department is SACS Accredited currently and in pursuit of CAE accreditation. The department has completed stage 1 (program of study validation for BS in IT, Cybersecurity Track) and headed to stage 2 application submission by December 15th.

Internship

Zach stated that the department has to prepare students for internships. He stated that it's best if the department engage students in skill development activities and make them ready to apply and attend interviews during the Spring semester. He also stated that Sophomores really needs to know what they need to do to get into their internship.

Dr. Allen spoke on North Carolina Electric Cooperatives.

All agreed to attend the next meeting in Spring 2023 (tentatively late-April).