

**NSITE Cybersecurity Program
In Partnership with CISCO**

**Program Start Date: January 2024 ( Specific date to be determined)**

**Tuition: $2,500.00**

NSITE’s Cybersecurity virtual training program is offered in partnership with CISCO and provides blind and low-vision participants with the knowledge and experience needed to build a foundation of cybersecurity basics and learn valuable security principles to defend networks.

Cybersecurity professionals who can protect and defend an organization’s network are in high demand.

**Tuition includes:**

Tuition includes 15 hours of self-paced online learning and 10 weeks of instructor-led coursework.

* If you are an **employee of an NIB associated Nonprofit Agency**, you may qualify for an NIB Training and Professional Development grant. NSITE will be able to provide additional guidance to qualified applicants.
* If you have an open case with a **State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**, we can assist you in requesting tuition funding for this program through your VR Counselor.

**Achievement:**

* **NSITE Digital Badge: Cybersecurity**

**Participants Learn:**

Through the course of the two program components outlined below, participants will learn cybersecurity basics and valuable security principles to defend networks.

1. **Introduction to Cybersecurity – Self-paced Online Modules**
Develop cybersecurity basic skills to protect your personal digital life and gain insights into the biggest security challenges companies, governments, and educational institutions face today.
2. **Cybersecurity Essentials – vILT with a CISCO-Certified Instructor**
This course covers essential knowledge for all cybersecurity domains including information security, systems security, network security, ethics and laws, and defense and mitigation techniques used in protecting businesses.

**Participants Require:**

* Successful completion of IT Essentials; or
* Demonstrated understanding of computer networks
* Demonstrated interest in IT and willingness to remain actively engaged throughout all program components

**All NSITE programs are adapted for the learning styles of blind and low-vision learners.**

**All may apply. However, qualified applicants who are blind or have low vision receive enrollment preference.**

## Applicant information

Full Name:

Mailing address:

Home telephone:

Cell number

Date of Birth put in mm/dd/yy format

Job Title

Manager/Supervisor Name, email and phone number

Work hours

Work number (if one)

Do you have a Voc rehabilitation counselor?

Counselors' Full name:

Counselors email

Counselors telephone number

## Applicant Background and Readiness

Why do you want to participate in the NSITE Cybersecurity Training Program?\*

Have you participated in remote training or classroom work similar? If so, please describe how you managed your time and responsibilities.

Explain how your interests and experience make you a good candidate for this program?

## Program Readiness

How are your skills with emails and Microsoft Office Suite, particularly PDFs,Word, Excel, Outlook? ( choose one)

* Basic
* Intermediate
* Experienced

I am prepared to balance the responsibilities of my job/home and required coursework and turn in assignments on time understanding that the class advances together based on everyone’s cooperation to adhere to due dates.

* Yes
* No

I am prepared to attend all online classes and events and meet the requirements of the program.\*

* Yes
* No
* Maybe

The program will meet as a group virtually with the instructor for at least one hour per week in the evening. Are you in agreement with that time commitment?

* Yes
* No
* Maybe

I am prepared to give the NSITE Cybersecurity Program my interest, effort and support for the duration of the program.

* Yes
* No

How did you hear about this program?

* NSITE Website
* NSITE email/listserv
* Inclusively
* Facebook
* LinkedIn
* NSITE Employee
* Supervisor Counselor
* APH
* Other:

## Assistive Technology

Do you require the use of assistive technology to navigate a computer?

* Yes
* No

What assistive technology do you use to read, work on a computer and navigate the internet?

* JAWS, Screen Reader, NVDA
* ZoomText
* Handheld Magnifier
* CCTV
* None
* Other:

How would you rate your proficiency in using assistive technology?

* New User
* Intermediate
* Advanced
* Do not require assistive technology

Have you received any training on the use of your assistive technology within the past 2 years?

* Yes
* No

I have informed my vocational rehabilitation counselor about my application to this program.

* Yes
* No (please ensure that you contact them ASAP about your interest)
* Not applicable do not have a vocational rehabilitation counselor

Do you have a complete profile (including a resume) on the NSITE Connect job board?

* Yes
* No

Do you have a LinkedIn profile?

* Yes
* No

## Voluntary Demographic Information

Gender

* Male
* Female
* Genderqueer/Non-binary
* I do not wish to self-identify

Race/Ethnicity

* White
* American Indian or Alaska Native
* Asian
* Black or African American
* Hispanic of Latino
* Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
* I do not wish to identify
* Other:

What is your highest Education level?

* High School or equivalent
* Some college, no degree
* Bachelor's degree
* Graduate degree
* Technical/Trade school
* I do not wish to identify

Please submit with resume to rhowie@nsite.org (Please no ODT or ODS files)