

Information Assurance and Computer Security at UB

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1. History

- CEISARE is a Multidisciplinary Center, certified by NSA in 2002 and re-designated in 2005 and 2008 by NSA and DHS
 - Computing, mathematical, legal and managerial
- In 2009, CEISARE has been certified as CAE-R
- Curriculum mapped to CNSS No. 4011 and CNSS No. 4013 (Committee on National Security Systems)
 - CNSS 4011

 – National Training Standard for Information Systems
 Security (INFOSEC) Professionals (certified in 2002, 2004 and 2007)
 - minimum course content for the training of INFOSEC professionals in telecommunications security and automated information systems (AIS) security (awareness level and performance level)
 - CNSS 4013 National Information Assurance Training Standard For System Administrators (certified in 2004, 2007)
 - minimum standards for administrators of national security systems for administrators of unclassified systems



NSA Site Visits

• Site Visit 1 (March 6, 2003)

- Tim Mucklow and Cathey Fillare
- CSE, CCR and SOM Lab tours
- Lunch meeting at M&T Bank (hosted by John Walp)
- Meeting with IASP scholars, faculty, Deans

Site Visit 2 (May 8, 2003)

- Robert McGraw and Tim Mucklow
- Meeting with the PIs, visitor from AFRL (Kevin Kwiat)
- Meeting with deans of SEAS, SOM and VP for Research
- Research posters, CEDAR tour

Site Visit 3 (March 30, 2006)

- Robert McGraw and Lynn Hathaway
- Half-Day meeting, research posters, meeting with Chairs
- Site Visit 3 (May 8, 2008)
 - Robert McGraw, Advisory Board



2. Center Advisory Board

Board members

- SSA Jeffrey A. Tricoli, Infragard
- Dr. Kevin Kwiat, Principal Computer Engineer, AFRL, Cyber Defense
- Ms. Margaret Grayson, President, Coalescent Technologies
- Mr. Charles Dunn, Information Security Officer And Technical Architect, UB
- Ms. Helene Kershner, Assistant Chair, CSE Dept., UB
- Dr. Paul Thompson Research Scientist, General Dynamics (To be Confirmed)
- Mr. Robert Vail, Manager, EDS Corporate Security Network Compliance Organization
- Mr. John Walp, VP E-commerce security, M&T Bank



3. CEISARE Courses

Courses with IA Content

- CSE 565 Computer Security
- CSE 566 Wireless Networks Security
- CSE 512 Applied Crypto and Computer Security
- LAW 629 Computers, Law, Technology and Society
- LAW 645 Copyright
- Law 956 E-Commerce Law
- MGA 615 Fraud Examination
- MGS 650 Information Assurance
- MGS 651 Network Management
- MGS 659 E-Commerce Security
- MGT 681 Intellectual Property
- MTH 529/530 Introduction to the Theory of Numbers I/II
- MTH 535 Introduction to Cryptography
- MTH 567 Stream Ciphers

Other Courses Planned

Computer Forensics



4. Graduate Certificate in IA

- Effort started with funds from DoD in fall 2003
 - Funding was to create a new integrative course in IA
- Two tracks technical and managerial
- Requirements
 - 6 credits of core courses in the track
 - 5-6 credits of elective in the dept.
 - 3 credits of required integrative course
- Technical track
 - Core Intro. to Crypto, Computer security, Wireless networks security (choose two courses)
- Managerial track
 - Core Network management, E-Commerce security



5. IASP Program Accomplishments

- 6 IASP scholarships from DoD since 2002
 - Alex Eisen (Joined DISA, Sept. 2004)
 - MS Project: Development of a basic framework for emergency first responder systems
 - Melissa Thomas (Joined NAVAIR, Dec. 2004)
 - MS Project: Study of Copyright law and personal computer security
 - Daniel Britt (Joined NSA, Jan. 2006)
 - MS Project: Enhancing situational awareness through the classification of IDS alerts and the defragmentation of attack tracks using a host based sensor
 - Daniel Krawczyk (Joined SPAWAR, Jan. 2007)
 - MS Project: Study of IPSec
 - Richard Giomundo (Joined NSA, June 2006)
 - MS Project: A comprehensive fusion system for real-time awareness of multistage cyber-attacks
 - Chris Crawford (Joined DISA in July 2009)
 - MS Project: Security study in mesh networks



Capacity Building Initiatives from DoD

- Capacity building grant 1 from DoD (2002)
 - Develop information security lab, develop an IA course
- Capacity building grant 2 from DoD (2004)
 - Develop Wireless security course, support research on intrusion detection and response
- Capacity building grant 3 from DoD (2007)
 - Vulnerability Aggregation and anlaysis
- Equipment grant from Cisco (2005)
 - Improve security labs



6. SFS Program Accomplishments

Capacity building grant 1 from NSF (2004)

- Develop wireless security lab, develop e-commerce security course
- Jointly with GCC to promote faculty development at GCC
- Both the lab and the courses have been completed and are being taught
- Joint Cyber Security workshop on March 31, 2006
 - Co-hosted by ECC, FBI Cyber Task Force

Capacity building grant 2 from NSF (2007)

- To develop faculty development and technical expertise for faculty in computer forensics
- Jointly with Hilbert College
- Several faculty at UB, ECC, GCC, Hilbert College will undergo training
- Joint Cyber Security workshop 2008 (today) is a direct outcome of this grant

SFS Scholarship grant from NSF (2008)

- Alan Katerinsky (2008)
- Steven Salerno, Ben Kaufman, Daniel Megalo, Kamil Laminu (2009)



7. Research Accomplishments

Research Areas

 Information Assurance, Network Security, Wireless Netowrks Security, Biometrics, Web Assurance, E-commerce, Cryptography, Programming Languages, Internet Law, Privacy, Fraud Detection, Privacy of Senior Citizens

Funding

- Over 4M from NSF, DARPA, NSA/ARDA, AFRL, DoD
- Research, education, infrastructure
- Couple of internal grants
 - HIPAA Compliant Medical Data Repository for Teaching
 - Analyzing Emergency Response Management Systems in the Context of Katrina and Rita Disasters – A first responder focus



Sample Research Projects (Sponsored)

- Protecting documents from malicious insiders (ARDA)
- Event correlation for cyber attack recognition (ARDA)
- Insider threat modeling and analysis in a corporate intranet or military environment (DARPA)
- Security and Incentives in emerging applications (NSF)
- A Framework for Trusted and Reliable Cyber Interactions (AFRL)
- Women and Cyber Security: Gendered Tasks and (In)equitable Outcomes (NSF)
- Citizen Centric Analysis of Anti/Counter-Terrorism e-Government Services (NSF)



Security-related Faculty

- Shambhu Upadhyaya (CSE)
 - Intrusion detection, insider threat modeling, alert correlation, wireless networks security, sensor networks security
- Hung Ngo (CSE)
 - Network security, insider threat analysis
- Chunming Qiao (CSE)
 - Network survivability
- Sheng Zhong (CSE)
 - Security and Incentive based protocols
- Bharat Jayaraman (CSE)
 - Language based security issues
- Ramalingam Sridhar (CSE)
 - Embedded systems security
- Venu Govindaraju (CSE)
 - Biometrics
- H.R. Rao (MSS, also adjunct faculty in CSE)
 - Secure e-commerce, web assurance
- Raj Sharman (MSS)
 - Database security, emergency response systems, sensor networks security
- Tom Cusick (Math)
 - Cryptography
- Mark Bartholomew (Law)
 - Intellectual property regime, copyright



8. Publications and Student Placement

- More than 70 publications in key journals, conferences and workshops
- Some Key papers and Books
 - Towards a Theory of Insider Threat Assessment, IEEE DSN, June 2005
 - Secure Knowledge Management and the Semantic Web,
 Communications of the ACM, Dec. 2005
 - Secure Knowledge Management, Encyclopedia Article, IDEA Group, 2005
 - Special Issue on Secure Knowledge Management in IEEE Transactions on SMC, Part A, May 2006
 - A Book on Managing Information Assurance in Financial Services
 - Publications at ESORICS 2007, SRDS 2007, INFOCOM 2008, Wisec 2009
- Several Ph.D. Dissertations
- Students Placed at OSU, EPFL, Cisco, Symantec, Microsoft, Amazon, Qualcomm, M&T Bank



9. Collaborative Activities & Dissemination

- Collaboration with ECC (2004 07)
 - Developing an undergrad. Certificate program in IA at ECC
- Collaboration with GCC (2004 07)
 - Curriculum and faculty improvement at GCC
 - Add security content in their courses, faculty training in security
- Collaboration with Town of Amherst
 - Digital government project (2003-04)
- Collaboration with M&T Bank
 - Several MBA students working in the security area
- Collaboration with local FBI branch
 - Joint workshops, possible internships, computer forensics initiative
- Collaboration with AFRL, CMIF
- High School Cyber Security Workshops



Collaborative Activities with other CAEs

- Participation and conducting surveys at Cyber Corps 2005 (Syracuse University)
- Participation in Security Week, 2005, 2006, 2008 (Polytechnic University) – students won prizes
- Secure Knowledge Management Workshop 2004 at Buffalo, NY
 - 10 technical sessions
 - 3 keynote talks
 - 2 plenary sessions
 - 1 dinner banquet talk
 - 1 luncheon keynote
 - 1 high power panel on women and cyber security
 - 1 technical poster session
- Secure Knowledge Management Workshop 2006 at Brooklyn Polytechnic, NY
- Secure Knowledge Management Workshop 2008 at Dallas, TX



SKM 2008 Workshop



- November 3 4, 2008
 University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, TX
- Program:
 - DHS Keynote
 - Panel: Issues Facing Women Cyber Security Researchers
 - 21 technical papers
- http://cs.utdallas.edu/skm2008/index.htm



SKM 2008 Topics

- Secure Languages (Secure Knowledge Query Manipulation Language, Security Assertion Markup Language, B2B Circles of Trust)
- Return of Investment on Secure Knowledge Systems
- Digital Rights Management (Digital Policy Management)
- Secure Content Management (Secure Content Management in Authorized Domains, Secure Content Delivery, Content Trust Index)
- Knowledge Management for National Security (Securing and Sharing What We Know: Privacy, Trust and Knowledge Management, Identity Security Guarantee, Building Trust and Security in the B2B Marketplace)
- Security and Privacy in Knowledge Management
- Wireless security in the context of Knowledge Management



SKM 2008 Organizing Committee

Steering Committee

Bhavani Thuraisingham - University of Texas, Dallas
 Kevin Kwiat - Air Force Research Lab
 Raghav Rao - SUNY at Buffalo
 Shambhu Upadhyaya - SUNY at Buffalo

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Jaideep Vaidya, Rutgers University

Local Arrangements Chair

- Wei T. Yue, The University of Texas at Dallas
- Jingguo Wang, The University of Texas at Arlington



Path Forward

- Alignment with UB 2020 Strategic Strength ICT
- Forensics Initiative collaboration with RCFL
- NSF Federal Cyber Service scholarships
- Teach security policies, business integrity, forensics
- Research on emergency management, first responder systems
- Started new collaboration with India in Cyber Security through funds from Indo-US STF and NSF
 - http://www.amrita.edu/cyber-workshop/index.html

