Women in Cyber Leadership Program

Empowering Women to Secure
the Indo-Pacific's Digital Future

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Women's Cyber Leadership Program

The Women in Cyber Leadership Program is a high-impact leadership program designed to advance the careers of women in cybersecurity and digital risk across Malaysia and the Indo-Pacific.

This five-day, in-person program builds essential leadership capabilities, focusing on cybersecurity strategy, digital risk, and executive communications. Learners will participate in lectures, panels, and interactive exercises led by global experts and regional leaders.

By fostering skills, confidence, and networks, the program will help empower a new generation of women leaders to take an active role in securing a resilient digital landscape throughout the Indo-Pacific.

This program is delivered through the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission and BlackBerry's Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (CCoE) in Cyberjaya and Rogers Cybersecure Catalyst at Toronto Metropolitan University, in partnership with the Government of Canada.

Why Participate in the Women in Cyber Leadership Program?

For You: Grow as a Cyber Leader

- Advance your career with critical leadership and strategic skills.
- Gain an understanding of cybersecurity risks and emerging threats, and develop the confidence to navigate them effectively.
- Lead with impact by building executive presence, and communicate with clarity and influence.
- Learn directly from experts, leaders, and practitioners across lectures, panels, and interactive sessions.
- Join a network and community of women leaders in cybersecurity, building lasting connections across sectors, geographies, and organizations.

For Your Organization: Empower Emerging Leaders

- Strengthen leadership capacity by equipping high-potential talent with the skills to lead cybersecurity strategy and teams.
- Boost engagement and retention by demonstrating a commitment to advancing diverse leaders within your organization.
- Stay ahead of threats by developing leaders who understand emerging digital risk mitigation strategies.
- Increase future readiness by fostering a diverse leadership pipeline in cybersecurity.

Who is the Program For?

This program is designed for women professionals in mid-level management roles within cybersecurity and related fields. We welcome participants from across Malaysia and the broader Indo-Pacific region who are committed to personal and professional growth and are ready to take the next step in their careers. Candidates are typically responsible for leading teams, managing cyber risks, and shaping their organization's security strategy.

Learners may hold titles such as:

- SOC Manager
- Cybersecurity Risk Manager
- Security Architecture Advisor
- Data Privacy Manager
- IT Operations & Security Lead
- Digital Risk Officer
- Governance, Risk & Compliance Lead

We seek women from a range of sectors critical to the region's cyber ecosystem, including, but not limited to:

- Banking and Financial Services
- Government and Public Sector
- Telecom and Technology Providers
- E-commerce and Retail
- Consulting and Managed Security Services

Content & Curriculum

The program offers a curriculum that blends practical application and strategic exploration of key cybersecurity topics. Paired with leadership and human skills development training, the program is intended to equip learners with the confidence, knowledge, and capabilities needed to excel and advance in complex, evolving threat environments.

Sample Sessions

Cyber and Digital Risk
- Securing the Indo-Pacific: Regional Threat Landscape
- Cyber Risk & Business Impact: Connecting Organizational Strategy to Cyber
- Cyber Governance: Frameworks & Regulation
- Tabletop Simulation Exercise
- Emerging Tech, Cybersecurity and AI: Opportunities and Threats

Human Skills
- Unlock Your Inner Leadership Style
- Effective Communication at the Workplace
- Career Journeys in Cybersecurity Leadership
- High Impact Presentation Skills

Program Features

- In-person five-day intensive
- Global experts
- Synthesis project
- Networking opportunities
- Peer learning and group work
- Certificate of completion

Program Schedule

The program is delivered in a dynamic, conference-style format, offering a rich mix of lectures, panels, interactive workshops, and hands-on leadership development. The program is delivered fully in-person.

Details:

- Dates: Monday, January 26 – Friday, January 30, 2026, 2026
- Location: Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission and BlackBerry's Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (CCoE), Cyberjaya, Malaysia

Daily programming will run from approximately 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, with additional evening events on select days, such as networking receptions and program dinners.

Application Process & Admissions

Applications open September 2025. Qualified learners are invited to complete an online application and can access it by visiting the program's website: blackberry.com/us/en/services/cybersecurity-center-excellence-malaysia/women-cyber-leadership-program

Application Requirements

Applicants will need to submit:
1. An up-to-date resume
2. Written responses to the following questions:
   - Why are you interested in this program?
   - What makes you passionate about cybersecurity and leadership in this field?
   - What are your career goals and how will this program help?

Successful applicants will be notified of their decisions in December 2025.

Eligibility

Women citizens or permanent residents of ASEAN member state, subject to review under applicable laws and sanctions.

Travel Bursaries for Regional Participants

The Women in Cyber Leadership Program is free of charge thanks to the generous support of our partners.

Travel bursaries are available for ASEAN nominees selected for the program who live outside of Malaysia. ASEAN nominees will receive funding for transportation, accommodation, and daily meal allowances. We will work directly with accepted applicants to coordinate these details.

Malaysian participants will be responsible for arranging their own travel and accommodation.

Program Fees

The Women in Cyber Leadership Program is free of charge to the learner thanks to our generous partners who are dedicated to supporting the development of talent while also driving diversity in the Indo-Pacific cybersecurity sector.

Questions?

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