COURSE SYLLABUS

Cybersecurity Fundamentals for Government Employees (Self-Paced)

Practical cybersecurity awareness for the whole government workforce - threats, everyday habits, phishing defense, and the policies that shape your responsibilities.

> Group classes (Live Online) and onsite training are available for this course. For more information, email onsite@graduateschool.edu or visit: https://www.graduateschool.edu/courses/cybersecurity-fundamentals-for-government-employees-self-paced



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Course Outline

Module 1: The threat landscape

- Who attacks government, and why
- Common threats: phishing, malware, ransomware
- Recent examples
- Why everyone is a target

Module 2: Everyday security habits

- Passwords and multi-factor authentication
- Safe email, web, and device use
- Protecting data and devices
- Remote and mobile work

Module 3: Phishing and social engineering

- How phishing works
- Spotting the signs
- What to do - and not do
- Reporting

Module 4: Policy, data, and your role (capstone)

- Security policy basics (FISMA for federal staff; state/local frameworks)
- Handling sensitive data and PII
- Incident reporting
- Your personal security checklist