

Cyber Security Lecture
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Dr. Tanya Zlateva, Associate Dean for Academics at Boston University's (BU) Metropolitan College, will deliver a lecture on 19 October 2011 at the Hanscom Education and Training Center (Building 1728), Classroom G from 1030-1200 hours. The lecture topic will cover the Cyber Security research projects being conducted at Boston University and the Cyber Security education opportunities available on base through Boston University. All Active Duty, Guard, Reserve Members, Family Members, Government Employees, and Contractors...anyone who has access to Hanscom AFB is welcome to attend the lecture.

Dr. Zlateva, the co-founder of the Center for Reliable Information Systems and Cyber Security (RISCS) research consortium under which the research is being conducted, explains that "becoming educated in topics such as cryptographic security, software certification, and cloud computing is important in meeting the Department of Defense's (DoDs) ever more stringent cyber policies". She notes that Boston University is well positioned to provide this level of education as BU "has been designated by the DoD and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education and Information Assurance Research." Dr. Zlateva points out that BU was among the first to receive these designations. Please RSVP to gkeegan@bu.edu if interested in attending.

Boston University has offered graduate degree and certificate programs at Hanscom AFB since 2004. BU's Metropolitan College military programs are on-base programs, and are available to all qualified active-duty military personnel, their dependents, DoD employees and contractors who have earned a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Graduate level degree and certificate programs are offered in Computer Information Systems, Leadership, Information Security, and Project Management.

Gerard Keegan, faculty and academic program director for the college, said that all of the courses offered at the Hanscom Education and Training Center utilize a convenient alternate weekend format. One class is scheduled to run from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on Saturdays. A second class is scheduled to run from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on Sundays. The degree programs consist of 10 courses, and can be completed in as little as 20 months.

"A subset of the Master of Science in Computer Information Systems (MSCIS) degree program is the Information Security Certificate, a four course program which addresses Information Technology (IT) security policies and procedures, database security, and enterprise security" said Mr. Keegan. All four courses can be applied to the MSCIS degree program as well.

Registration for the fall semester's graduate programs including the MSCIS degree will run from 01 August 2011 to 10 September 2011.

Refer to the following contact information to learn more about the Boston University programs or to schedule an advising session with Mr. Keegan: 781-377-3454 (Hanscom office), 617-358-3095 (BU office), www.bu.edu/military or gkeegan@bu.edu