

Cybersecurity Scholarships Available through ASCENT

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Multiple cybersecurity scholarship positions are available through ASCENT at the University of Arkansas (UA) under the CyberCorps® Scholarship for Service, SFS, program funded by the National Science Foundation. This SFS program, entitled “Cyber-Centric Multidisciplinary Security Workforce Development,” aims to address the national need of increasing the cybersecurity workforce by providing participants with effective preparation of the security workforce in solving domain-specific security problems across the boundaries of multiple areas/applications, including cybersecurity, transportation security, and critical infrastructure security. Candidates from minority and underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply.



SFS Scholarship Overview

- Base stipend of \$34,000 per year for M.S. and Ph.D. students, and \$25,000 per year for B.S. students;
- Educational allowance up to \$15,750;
- BS, MS, and PhD students in Computer Science (CS), Computer Engineering (CpE), Electrical Engineering (EE), or Industrial Engineering (IE) disciplines;
- Participants must pursue a degree in the information assurance fields and serve at an approved Federal, State, local, or tribal Government agency in a qualifying position for a period up to three years upon completing academic degree requirements, depending on the length of the scholarship.

Eligible students

- U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States;
- Demonstrate a commitment to a career in improving the security of information technology;
- Have demonstrated a high level of competency in relevant knowledge, skills, and abilities, as defined by the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework;
- A full-time student within three years of graduation with a B.S. or M.S. degree in a coherent formal program that is focused on cybersecurity at an awardee institution; or be a research-based Ph.D. student.



If you are interested in applying, please visit the ASCENT website, <https://ascent.uark.edu/>, and click on “CyberCorps®: Scholarship for Service (SFS) Program” in the menu.

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