



## National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Research

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Dr. Mumper:

I am pleased to inform you that the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security have designated University of Georgia as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Research (CAE-R) through academic year 2022.

Your ability to meet the increasing demands of the program criteria will serve the nation well in contributing to the protection of the National Information Infrastructure. The Presidents' National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace, 14 February 2003 and the International Strategy for Cyberspace, May 2011, addresses the critical shortage of professionals with these skills and highlights the importance of higher education as a solution to defending America's cyberspace. "Like all nations, the United States has a compelling interest in defending its vital national assets, as well as our core principles and values, and we are committed to defending against those who would attempt to impede our ability to do so." Education is the key to promoting these ideals.

We appreciate your participation in this program and look forward to presenting your certificate during a formal ceremony at the November 2017 or June 2018 event.

Sincerely,

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Lynn Hathaway  
National CAE-R Program Manager, NSA