



WEBSTER UNIVERSITY'S CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAMS UP WITH IP3'S LEADING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY EXPERT

SAGINAW, MI – The Center for Professional Development at Webster University, is hosting IP3 Inc., the nation's leader in Information Assurance and Information Security education and research, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 21-22, 2006, for a two-day workshop. *From Strategy to Reality: Securing the Converged Enterprise* will be offered at the Old Post Office campus, 815 Olive Avenue, St. Louis, MO.

This intensive two-day workshop fosters an environment for dialogue and collaboration among researchers in academics, IT administrators, and professionals in the industry. The workshop has been delivered to over 2,000 IT security professionals nationwide.

Larry Mabrey, Director of The Center for Professional Development states, "Webster University established itself as an industry education leader when it created one of the first security management programs in the nation and solidified its position by making it one of the first online offerings as well. The Online Master of Arts in Business and Organizational Security Management program supports the academic relationship between Webster University and the American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS). Webster's campus-based SECR degree program began in 1986 and has more than 400 graduates worldwide.

The complexities of a modern society have combined to generate a variety of threats to business organizations, information networks, military installations, government operations and individuals. The curriculum of the program is based primarily on social sciences. It includes required courses on asset protection, information security, legal and ethical issues, and emergency planning; a security overview course developed by ASIS; and at least 12 elective credits from Webster's Online program offerings. The program is designed to give maximum exposure to security management skills and to provide flexibility for the specific needs of the individual student. This program also helps prepare students for the American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS) Certified Protection Program.

Webster University is a member of the National Academic Consortium for Homeland Security (NACHS), an alliance of colleges and universities that are conducting research or offering educational programs related to homeland security and defense. Currently, the consortium includes over 200 leading universities and colleges, representing 49 states, the District of Columbia and the Territory of Guam. The primary purpose of the NACHS is to promote and support scholarship in this field and to facilitate collaboration between and among academic institutions and individual faculty members and researchers. Additional information is available at: <http://homelandsecurity.osu.edu/NACHS>.”

Ken Kousky, IP3 CEO says, “Webster University is committed to bringing vital educational programs to the local market, and IT security is a vital and timely topic. Security vulnerabilities and internet exploits are exploding just as corporations get saddled with increasingly complex regulations. Working with the University is a tremendous opportunity. With cyber security a top issue for U.S. corporations and government, information technology education is critical.

Cooperative efforts with NIST, federal methodology and practical experiences provide a foundation for the curriculum and strategies presented. The E-Government Act of 2002 mandates Federal agencies to perform security assessments. These assessments represent the only publicly available systematic review of information assurance and IT security in place today,” says Kousky. “Both private industry and government can gain a wealth of insight from this work, but it may take the creative analysis of a seasoned private industry executive to provide a guide to the lessons learned.”

IP3’s workshop provides a balance of theory and real-case scenarios demonstrating how security systems have been breached and what solutions are out there to prevent it from happening to your business or organization.

In addition, “no single 2-day workshop provides as much management and leadership insight for the struggling IT security professional,” says Kousky.

From Strategy to Reality: Securing the Converged Enterprise explores the latest critical security items such as the NIST Guidelines to help Federal agencies fortify their systems, SANS/FBI Top 20 Vulnerabilities and the President’s National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace. In addition, the workshop addresses the top five IT security challenges identified by corporate security managers: multi-vendor integration, wireless device security, spam, internal theft of intellectual property, and Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, along with cryptography, PKI, mobile computing security, and digital rights management.

St Louis, Missouri, is one of 20 cities IP3 will visit during its 2006 national workshop tour. Cost to attend is \$895. For a course outline, registration information and event location information for this intensive 2-day overview on the latest security vulnerabilities and technologies, visit www.ip3seminars.com.

About Webster University,

Webster University is a private, nonprofit, accredited University that offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs in many fields including business, computer science, psychology, communications, international relations, science, education, fine and performing arts, and liberal arts. The home campus is located in Webster Groves, a picturesque suburb of St. Louis, Missouri. Founded in 1915 as a small private college, Webster has grown into an international network of over 100 campuses across the United States, Europe, China and Thailand.

Currently the University enrolls approximately 22,000 students worldwide who range in age from traditional college age students to adult learners, and represent over 100 nationalities. Webster University is dedicated to academic excellence, innovation in higher education, meeting the needs of students in an ever-changing world and incorporating an international perspective throughout the curriculum.

About The Center for Professional Development,

The Center for Professional Development at Webster University has a rich tradition of combining academic excellence and real world applicability. Combined, the CfPD and Webster University have improved the lives of more than 100,000 students and working professionals in over 100 countries. These men and women are actively shaping the future, hold positions at top U.S. and international companies such as Boeing, BMW, General Electric, Lockheed Martin, Disney, Intel, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Bank of America, Wal-Mart, SBC Communications, Nestle, and Sprint, and represent prominent organizations such as the United Nations, the Red Cross, the World Bank and renowned hospitals and health service institutions worldwide.

The Center for Professional Development is committed to designing and implementing customized programs that help organizations achieve their goals and assist individuals to overcome personal and professional challenges. We believe in doing all we can to ensure accurate and detailed assessment of your needs and the effective development and delivery of seminars focused on helping you realize your organizational and personal vision.

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