



Institute for
Digital InnovAtion



THE WEEKLY

UPCOMING EVENTS

Clearance Ready: Introduction to Security Clearances

For individuals aspiring to work with organizations such as the FBI, the State Department, NIH, NASA, Deloitte, Booz Allen, EPA, or Northrup Grumman, obtaining a security clearance is essential.

To enhance career opportunities in the DC metro area, an event is being held to explain the importance of security clearances, the details of the background check process, and best practices for navigating it. Participants will also have the chance to interact with employers who require security clearances and gain valuable insights. This event is part of the University Career Services Clearance Ready Program.

When: March 19, 2025 @ 12PM

Where: Merten Hall 1202

More information [here](#)

InternConnect meets weekly to create a safe environment where CS/stem majors can share knowledge and experiences and work together toward a common goal of landing your dream job/internship in the computational and technical fields.

Join them for mass apply to internships, Q/A with mentors/experts for internships, share newsletter, info, tips, and tricks, and leetcode practice.

When: March 12, 2025 @ 4PM - 6PM

Where: JC 239A

More information [here](#)



Mason I-Corps March Cohort

The George Mason University's NSF I-Corps Regional Program supports faculty, researchers, students, and innovators from across the Commonwealth of Virginia in exploring the commercial viability of their technology-based innovation ideas to accelerate business exploration and, ultimately, make a real-world impact. Through a six-session course, participants are introduced to the lean startup method, that's pioneered by the National Science Foundation.



National Science Foundation

March Cohort Schedule: March: 4, 6, 11, 13, 20, 2025

Time: 9:00AM - 12:00PM

Register [here](#)

CCI OPPORTUNITIES

Critical Shift Scholars

CCI is looking for a security focused individual who can help develop methods to securely update embedded devices operating systems over the internet according to the current best practices.



**Commonwealth
Cyber Initiative**

Undergraduate students qualified for this position are likely pursuing a degree in computer science, cybersecurity engineering, information technology, networking, or electrical engineering. Candidates from other programs with the required skills are still encouraged to apply.

More information [here](#)

AWARDS

Congratulations to:

Nowzari, Cameron from the [College of Computing and Engineering](#) and Co PI's **Xiao, Xuesu** for receiving the Raytheon Systems grant on *Raytheon Drone Competition participation*

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

[NSF/CASIS Transport Phenomena Research at the International Space Station to Benefit Life on Earth - National Science Foundation](#)

Deadline: April 10, 2025

[Biennial Request for Proposals - Lake Champlain Sea Grant College](#)

Deadline: May 23, 2025

[Examining the Impact of Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) on Healthcare Safety \(R18\) – Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality/DHHS](#)

Deadline: May 25, 2025

***If a funding opportunity limits the number of applications the university can submit, it will be posted and managed through the Research Development Services office. Please contact limited@gmu.edu or Sheila Davis sdavis46@gmu.edu if you have questions or are unsure if the opportunity is a limited submission opportunity.

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