INFORMATION RISK MANAGEMENT, ETHICS, AND PRIVACY MINOR AT SHADY GROVE

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The 5-course Information Science undergraduate minor in Risk Management, Ethics, and Privacy is designed to prepare students to evaluate major information and big data privacy and security issues facing individuals and organizations. The curriculum will examine risks organizations face while collecting, storing, and managing information and their existing customers’ and stakeholders’ data. Coursework will focus on practical strategies to mitigate risks and will explore the ways emerging technologies benefit in the context of risk management, ethics, and privacy.

All courses in the Information Risk Management, Ethics, and Privacy minor are offered either in-person or virtually by the UMD Information Science program at the Shady Grove campus location and are available to students from both, College Park and Shady Grove, campuses.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Perform information security risk assessment, identify potential threats, and develop threat mitigation strategies.
2. Describe individual privacy rights, related laws and regulations, and the use of information assurance technologies to support the enforcement of these rights.
3. Describe the responsibilities of all levels of users related to the threats against information systems.
4. Describe security design principles and identify security mechanisms to implement desired security principles.
5. Identify malicious activities and attacks, and recommend appropriate response capabilities.
6. Perform audit procedures, evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of security mechanisms, and develop contingency plans to address the limitations of those procedures.
7. Communicate information security concepts to individuals with diverse levels of computing skills.

Requirements

Minor Completion Requirements

In order to complete the minor, students must:

- Complete all 15 required credits.
- Achieve a minimum grade of "C-" or better in all minor courses.
- At least nine credits must be completed at the 400-level to earn the minor.
- Only six credits or two courses from the minor are allowed to satisfy a degree requirement towards your major. Please consult with your academic advisor for more information.

More information about the minor declaration process can be found here: https://ischool.umd.edu/academics/bachelor-of-science-in-information-science-shady-grove/admissions/