

MS IN CYBER SECURITY ENGINEERING

DEGREE PLAN



University of San Diego®

Program Start: Spring 2026

This degree plan is for students beginning the on campus MS in Cyber Security Engineering (MSCSE) program in the Spring 2026 term. This plan assumes that students will complete their degree in five (or six with CYBR 505) consecutive semesters and do not take a leave of absence from their program. Taking a leave of absence will change the degree plan and delay the anticipated program completion.

Term	Course	Course Name	Units	Start Date	End Date	
Spring 2026	CYBR 592	Orientation	New Student Orientation	0	Upon Registration	01/02/2026
Spring 2026	CYBR 505	Foundational	Cybersecurity Computational Tools	6	01/06/2026	04/13/2026
Students required to take CYBR 505 will start in CYBR 505. Students not required to take CYBR 505 will start in CYBR 501 and CYBR 502.						
Spring 2026	CYBR 501	Foundational	Introduction to Cybersecurity Concepts and Tools	3	M&W: 01/05/2026	M&W: 02/25/2026
Spring 2026	CYBR 502	Foundational	Cybersecurity Network Defense	3	M&W: 03/02/2026	M&W: 04/15/2026
Summer 2026	CYBR 506	Core	Secure Systems Life Cycle	3	M&W: 05/04/2026 T&R: 05/05/2026	M&W: 06/22/2026 T&R: 06/18/2026
Summer 2026	CYBR 508	Core	Secure Network Engineering	3	M&W: 06/29/2026 T&R: 06/30/2026	M&W: 08/12/2026 T&R: 08/13/2026
Fall 2026	CYBR 510	Core	Security Test Engineering	3	09/01/2026	10/19/2026
Fall 2026	CYBR 512	Core	Incident Detection and Handling	3	10/20/2026	12/07/2026
Spring 2027	CYBR 503	Core	The Cybersecurity Domain	3	TBA	TBA
Spring 2027	CYBR 504	Core	Applied Cryptography	3	TBA	TBA
Summer 2027	CYBR 514	Capstone	Cyber Engineering Research I	3	TBA	TBA
Summer 2027	CYBR 516	Capstone	Cyber Engineering Research II	3	TBA	TBA

SPRING 2026 IMPORTANT DATES

Registration Opens	11/03/2025
Registration Deadline	12/15/2025
Financial Aid Requirements Due	12/15/2025
Last Day to Drop Any Course with a Full Refund	01/05/2026
Payment Due Date	01/06/2026
Semester Begins	01/06/2026
First Course Start Date	01/06/2026
Last Day to Drop Any Course with 95% Refund/Drop Deadline	01/09/2026
First Course End Date	02/23/2026
Second Course Start Date	02/24/2026
Last Day to Withdraw from Course B	03/23/2026
Second Course End Date	04/13/2026
Semester Ends	04/13/2026

Revision Date: 12/13/24. Degree plans are subject to change.