

# Course: CSM: Cyber Ethics

## Cyber Pathways Across Maryland SME Rubric

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This course is offered by the College of Southern Maryland (<https://www.csmd.edu/programs-courses/cyber-center/index.html>). The goal for this review is to validate that the curriculum is complete, current, and relevant to industry cybersecurity needs. Please use the comments sections to explain your overall impressions, whether positive or negative.

<b>COURSE STRUCTURE AND SYLLABUS</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Course description is factually complete and accurate	Y		
Course structure includes major lessons and assignments	Y		
Prerequisite requirements are included and appropriate	Y		
Required facilities and equipment are included and appropriate	Y		
Required course texts are listed	Y		
Appropriate supplementary materials and resources are provided	Y		
Course organization and design is clear, coherent, and appropriately structured	Y		
Concepts and skills build logically, with appropriate transitions between course sections	Y		
Learning outcomes are clearly stated, measurable, and appropriate for the level of the course	Y		
Learning outcomes emphasize application of knowledge and skills	Y		

### **Comments about the course:**

Please summarize your impressions of the course in regard to structure and curriculum. Keep in mind suggestions for revisions or gaps in the curriculum in regard to industry standards and needs. If your course is meant to prepare students for a certification exam, please indicate whether or not you feel the course as outlined will do so.

The course structure is well laid out and documented. It clearly shows the major lessons and assignments such as the discussion questions pertaining to all chapters. I would suggest modifying the course prerequisite requirements to include having a basic understanding of the Internet and Cloud Computing. This may help students with some of the discussion questions.

The course organization and topics associated to each chapter and module are relevant, logically structured, and clear. I like the questions used in the course discussion such as private browsing, 2-factor authentication, and the security breach at Equifax. These are all excellent and relevant learning exercises very much applicable to the real world. In fact, these topics are very applicable to my job as an IT professional where cybersecurity and privacy are in the forefront of all that we do in corporate..