Awareness and training programs

OPTUS MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CYBER SECURITY HUB
Yet, with the number of cyber threats and the sophistication of attacks increasing, it’s a formidable challenge, too.

Boards and executives acknowledge cyber security is no longer a matter for the IT department alone. With an estimated 60 per cent of attacks – malicious and accidental – carried out by insiders, an effective response to cybercrime relies on developing a whole-of-business awareness. This includes education at all levels – from the board to every employee.

The best way to achieve a lasting improvement in information security is not by throwing more technical solutions at the problem – it’s by training and educating everyone who interacts with computer networks and systems, and by providing information about the basics of information security to all employees.

The importance of cyber security awareness to your business

Security culture starts at the top, and boards and executives need to have the right knowledge to lead effectively.

What people do or don’t do is the number-one source of cyber breaches. Developing good practice is the best way to prevent loss.

Security can’t be guaranteed. We need to understand the risks and prepare ourselves to defend them. Preparation begins with understanding.

Awareness isn’t just a good idea; it’s the law. The Notifiable Data Breaches Bill passed in February 2017 requires businesses to notify individuals and government of any data breach that may result in serious harm.

Our approach

- Tailored – our courses are designed to suit the needs of C-suite executives, technical teams, managers and all employees
- Integrated – as a suite of courses, we provide a single framework which enables all employees to speak the same language across the whole organisation
- Multidisciplinary – we provide a holistic perspective that draws on our expertise in technology, business, risk, legal and human factors
- Customised – we can tailor what we cover, how deeply and the length of our courses to meet the needs of your organisation
- Engaging and interactive – our experts facilitate discussions among participants who can then effectively learn from their collective experience.

In today’s digital world, safeguarding data, intellectual property, financial information and your company’s reputation is a crucial part of business strategy.
## Our programs

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This executive seminar is designed for senior managers and board members. It demystifies the technical jargon and explains the different types of cyber threats. It addresses cyber governance and compliance frameworks, and provides practical legal guidance. As a senior leader, you will learn how to leverage best practice to proactively lead and manage the security culture and practice within your business. The seminar format gives space for a select group of senior leaders to reflect on their own experience and be actively involved in discussions.

This workshop offers a non-technical management perspective on cyber security. It reviews the cyber security landscape and trends, and addresses risk management, cyber governance and the main legal and compliance frameworks. You will acquire tools to better assess how much to spend on cyber security, as well as develop your understanding and management decisions through a true-to-life exercise based on a cyber-attack case study. As a manager, you will be armed with the ability to understand and work with your executive team to build a stronger cyber security culture and defences for your organisation.

This workshop is designed for risk management specialists and their teams. It reviews the cyber security landscape and trends, and provides you with the tools to assess the cyber governance and security posture of your organisation against a compliance framework, such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Although it tackles risk management from a non-technical perspective, it aims to enable a better understanding of IT principles and requirements. You will have the opportunity to practice your understanding and management decisions in the development of a cyber security budget.

This workshop is targeted towards cyber security practitioners. It reviews information security and network security concepts, strengthening your foundations in those areas. It then extends your cyber security skills and knowledge by diving into the latest developments and applications of SDN, cloud computing, IoT, cryptography, machine learning and much more.

This workshop is designed for every employee who wishes to increase their understanding of their role in the cyber governance framework. It also encourages the adoption of effective cyber hygiene and, as such, it contributes to strengthening organisations against cyber threats.
Our expert facilitators have strong academic backgrounds as well as vast industry experience.

Meet the team

INSPIRED BY LEADING RESEARCH, ROOTED IN PRACTICE

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