MASTER OF SCIENCE

Computer Networking & Cybersecurity

M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity

Build expertise in network security, infrastructure protection, and cyber defence.

DURATION: FULL TIME - 18 MONTHS
MODE OF LEARNING: ONLINE

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A respected postgraduate qualification, built for the digital economy.

Organisations across every sector depend on secure, reliable networks to operate. The University of Ibadan's M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity is designed for professionals who can design, protect, and manage complex digital infrastructure in real-world environments.

The M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity at the University of Ibadan Distance Learning Centre equips professionals seeking advanced knowledge in network architecture, cyber defence, and digital infrastructure management. The programme provides the flexibility required by working professionals while maintaining the academic rigour and reputation for which the University of Ibadan is renowned.

Through a blend of online learning and practical assessments, graduates will develop the technical expertise and analytical skills needed to design, secure, and manage modern network environments. The programme is also recognised by the National Universities Commission (NUC), which means graduates can be confident that their qualification is valued by employers and academic institutions alike.

Why Choose the University of Ibadan M.Sc. Online?

The University of Ibadan is Nigeria's first university, with a history of academic excellence that spans over seven decades. Our online programmes are delivered to the same standard of rigour, flexibility, and intellectual curiosity as on-campus learning.

75+	1st	100%
YEARS OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE	UNIVERSITY IN NIGERIA	ONLINE DELIVERY FOR WORKING PROFESSIONALS

A Flexible M.Sc. Designed for Working Professionals

This is the University of Ibadan experience, now online.

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Who This Programme Is For

The M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity programme is ideal for:

01 **Computer Science and IT Graduates**
Graduates seeking advanced expertise in network security, infrastructure, and cyber defence.

02 **Network and Systems Engineers**
Professionals looking to deepen their skills in network architecture, security operations, and infrastructure management.

03 **Cybersecurity Practitioners**
Individuals working in cyber defence seeking a recognised postgraduate qualification to advance their career.

04 **Technology Managers and Leaders**
Managers and IT leaders wishing to understand the technical foundations of the systems they oversee.

05 **Professionals Transitioning into Cybersecurity**
Graduates from related fields who are ready to make a disciplined switch to specialise in cybersecurity and network defence.

What You Will Study

The programme covers advanced networking theory and applied cybersecurity practice. Students will study modules such as:

01 Network Architecture and Protocols

02 Cybersecurity Fundamentals and Threat Management

03 Ethical Hacking and Penetration Testing

04 Cloud and Distributed Systems Security

05 Cryptography and Data Protection

06 Digital Forensics and Incident Response

07 Research Methods

08 Project / Dissertation

These modules are designed to help students understand how networks operate, how cyber threats are identified and mitigated, and how organisations can build resilient digital infrastructure.

Learning Experience

The M.Sc. is delivered fully online through UI eCampus, Ibadan's learning management system, using a blend of lectures, discussions, and assessments through a secure digital learning environment — designed for working professionals.

Through UI eCampus, students benefit from:

01 100% online learning	**02** Access to course materials 24/7
03 Synchronous academic sessions	**04** Online learning support
05 Online assessments	**06** Access to academic resources

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A learning experience designed for professionals who need to balance study, family, and career commitments.

Entry Requirements

01 Applicants must hold a Bachelor of Science degree with a minimum of Second Class Lower (2:2) in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, or Computer Science and Mathematics from the University of Ibadan.

02 Applicants must have 3 years of experience in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, or Computer Science and Mathematics from the University of Ibadan.

03 Applicants must have 5 years of experience in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, or Computer Science and Mathematics from other Universities, where the subject (first credits at one sitting or six at two sittings).

04 Applicants must submit the required application documents:
• Valid National ID or International Passport
• Bachelor's degree certificate and transcript
• Curriculum Vitae (CV)
• Relevant academic transcripts and certificates
• NYSC Discharge or Exemption Certificate (Nigerian applicants)

05 Applicants must complete the University's online Test of Proficiency in English (TOPE) with a score of 60% and above within five weeks after being offered admission.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and the enrolment fee are charged separately, payable to UI eCampus. Fees are subject to review and duration.

NIGERIAN STUDENTS
₦186,000 per month - 18 payments
18 monthly tuition payments over the 18 months of the programme. International students: $300 / month

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
₦3,723,800
No instalments · Upfront
You save ₦223,200 on tuition.
International students: $2,980 in full (save $240)

ENROLMENT FEE - NIGERIAN STUDENTS
₦323,000
Mandatory one-time enrolment fee. Non-part of tuition and non-discounted. Covers registration, matriculation and examination. International students: $500.

All programmes require an application fee. Tuition shown excludes application fees, accommodation and technology and administrative fees, which may apply.

Career Opportunities

The M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity prepares graduates for advanced roles in network and security. Typical sectors hired include: telecommunications, financial services, government, healthcare, consulting, defence, and consulting.

Graduates may pursue roles such as:

01 Network Security Engineer

02 Cybersecurity Analyst

03 Penetration Tester / Ethical Hacker

04 Chief Information Security Officer (CISO)

05 Network Architect

06 Cloud Security Engineer

07 Digital Forensics Analyst

08 Information Security Manager

09 SOC Analyst

10 IT Risk and Compliance Officer

11 University Lecturer

12 Technology Entrepreneur

The programme also provides a strong foundation for professional certification in cybersecurity and network science.

Skills You Will Develop

By the end of the programme, students will be expected to strengthen their ability to:

01 Design and manage secure network infrastructures and systems

02 Identify, analyse, and respond to cybersecurity threats and incidents

03 Conduct independent research in network security and cyber defence

04 Apply cryptographic principles to protect data and communications

05 Plan and evaluate network architecture and security frameworks

06 Perform penetration testing and vulnerability assessments

07 Develop and implement incident response and recovery plans

08 Communicate security findings and risk assessments to stakeholders

09 Lead cybersecurity strategy and governance in organisations

Assessment & Academic Standards

The M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity follows the standards and academic quality assurance processes of the University of Ibadan. Assessment is carried out through a combination of coursework, practical assignments, and a final dissertation.

The programme is designed to ensure that students demonstrate both academic understanding and practical cybersecurity and networking application.

PROGRESSION REQUIRED
Students must meet UI eCampus allows you to earn a respected University of Ibadan postgraduate degree while continuing to work full time. You can study at your own pace, access course materials online, and receive in-take a career break to study for the M.Sc. Computer Networking and Cybersecurity.

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