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## LACC ANNOUNCES NEW CYBERSECURITY ANALYST CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

New certificate requires only 18 classes to complete

(Los Angeles, CA – January 25, 2023) – Los Angeles City College (LACC) announced the addition of their new Cybersecurity Analyst Certificate of Achievement, housed under their existing Cybersecurity Program. The new program consists of 18 classes designed to provide students with cybersecurity knowledge including concepts of cloud computing. An Associate in Science Degree in Cybersecurity is also available. Students will gain the knowledge to begin a career in cybersecurity. Only basic computer skills are required.

As cyber threats continue to grow, the need for certified IT security professionals remains in high demand.

LACC offers students a built-in-certification-as-you-go cybersecurity program. Upon completion of the program's individual courses, students will be prepared to take CompTIA certification exams. These are professional industry certifications which are recognized around the world. Courses within the new program include Cloud+ Certification Preparation offering concepts of IT cloud computing infrastructure for both the enterprise and SoHo environments and a Cybersecurity course introducing the fundamental concepts and skills required to pursue a career in Cybersecurity, Information Security and Risk Management at an organizational level. Topics include hardware, software, processes, communications, applications, policies and procedures concerning organizational Cybersecurity and Risk Management best practices.

"Companies need employees with the knowledge to protect corporate and customer data while simultaneously preventing data breaches. LACC's Cybersecurity Program allows students to obtain an array of cybersecurity knowledge at a nominal price, enabling them to secure employment in the fast-growing cybersecurity field. With our new Cybersecurity Analyst Certificate, students learn by doing – and can apply this knowledge to obtaining high level cybersecurity jobs." said Allan Pratt, Adjunct Professor, Computer Technology and Electronics, Los Angeles City College.

Graduates of the program will be able to solve difficult problems across a range of cyber disciplines, understand and protect systems and networks against internal and external threats, and once employed, fill a much-needed void in corporate technology departments.

"LACC is committed to providing innovative programs at an affordable cost," said Dr. Mary Gallagher, President, Los Angeles City College. "Our Cybersecurity Program provides graduates with the skills to succeed in this critical sector of technology."

For more information about the new Cybersecurity Analyst Certificate of Achievement, contact Allan Pratt via email at prattap@lacitycollege.edu.

## **About Los Angeles City College**

Established in 1929, Los Angeles City College is one of the oldest of the California Community Colleges. Located in the heart of Hollywood, LACC provides a dynamic innovative learning environment offering more than 100 vocational and professional programs including degrees, transfer programs, and certificates to more than 18,000 students. In the past decade, a total of 6,651 students have transferred to four-year colleges and universities, including 4,040 students attending Cal State universities and 1,086 students transferring to UC campuses. Los Angeles City College is home to one of the most vibrant and diverse campuses in the country. The campus provides a wide range of professional and vocational programs at a fraction of the cost of state and private colleges. LACC provides students and adult learners vital pathways to more advanced education and enhanced employment.