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WGU Information Security Degree Earns NSA Certification

Western Governors University's M.S. in Information Security and Assurance meets the 4011 and 4012 Training Standards of the National Security Agency's Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS)

Salt Lake City — Western Governors University's graduate program in Information Security and Assurance has been certified by the NSA's Information Assurance Courseware Evaluation (IACE) Program. The certification verifies that WGU's courseware meets the requirements established by the Committee on National Security Systems National Training Standards No. 4011 (Information Systems Security Professionals) and 4012 (Senior Systems Managers).

WGU's Information Technology degree programs are online and competency-based, allowing students to meet their work and family obligations while they complete their studies. In addition to being fully accredited, WGU's IT programs include a number of industry-recognized certifications such as CIW, CCNA, MCITP, OCA, CEH, CHFI, GIAC 7799, CCNA – Security and CompTIA. WGU, www.wgu.edu, is also a member of the Microsoft IT Academy, and all Information Technology bachelor's degree programs include at least one Microsoft certification. The cost of these certification exams is included in WGU tuition.

Western Governors University offers ten bachelor's and master's degree programs in Information Technology, all designed to prepare students for rewarding careers in the IT industry. Because WGU is online and uses a competency-based academic model, it's ideal for working adults who are motivated to advance their education. Rather than earning credit for time spent in class, students progress in their degree programs by demonstrating their competence in each subject through exams and assessments. This approach allows students to accelerate their progress if they have additional time to devote to their studies. Tuition at WGU is affordable, less than \$6,000 per year for undergraduate degrees, including certifications.

For more information about WGU's Information Technology degrees and certifications, go to www.wgu.edu/IT_NSACert.

