



UCBD offers country's first international Cyber Security degree

As business and government go digital, cyber security is one of the biggest issues worldwide. Over the last few years, we have seen some alarming incidents that have exposed just how vulnerable online systems are. From the compromise of the Smart NID database affecting over fifty million citizens to the January 2025 City Bank data breach, these incidents show how many organisations need experts to protect sensitive information. Millions of people's personal data records are at risk, and the reality is clear - what Bangladesh needs now is more individuals skilled in cyber security and capable of safeguarding the country's digital future.

Cyber security is not only a concern for IT teams anymore. It's a much broader issue that cuts across all facets of our lives, from financial security to national security. With our banking, healthcare, and government services online, the shortage of qualified cyber security professionals has become a national skill deficiency that nobody can ignore. Cyber attacks can come from anywhere in the world, and this means that cyber security is a global concern. This is why it is important for Bangladesh to educate its own cyber security specialists so the nation has its own pool of skilled professionals ready to face the international challenge.

World-class cyber security professionals need world-class

education facilities and affordable degree programmes. Universal College Bangladesh (UCBD) has partnered with the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan), UK, to bring international-standard cyber security education to Bangladesh.

This year, UCBD introduced Bangladesh's first international bachelor's degree in Cyber Security. The degree takes three years and has the same syllabus as at UCLan in the UK. All lectures, practical sessions, and exams follow the same system as UCLan, which means that students in Dhaka get the same high-quality education and international accreditation as students in the UK. Students can complete the whole degree in Bangladesh, or choose to complete some of the programme in the UK. The degree accepts HSC and A level students from all streams, so it offers an easy and affordable pathway for individuals who want to establish careers in this rapidly expanding field.

The UCBD-UCLan degree covers all the latest areas of cyber security, including ethical hacking, data protection, cyber law, and digital forensics. Every part of the programme is taught to international standards by faculty who are approved by UCLan, so students graduate with the latest skills to tackle real cyber security challenges.

Cyber security professionals are becoming more in demand all around the world, and this UK degree offers job prospects for Bangladesh and internationally as well.

The launch of a top international cyber security degree in Bangladesh has already started to make waves. Local students who want the value of an international degree but don't want the hassle and costs of moving abroad are choosing UCBD. Alongside Cyber Security, UCBD is also offering UK degrees in Business & Marketing, Software Engineering, and other subjects for ambitious students who want to stay local and go global.

In a time of increasing cyber attacks, the UCBD cyber security degree offers something more than an education. It allows Bangladeshi students to be the solution, to protect their country's digital future, and prepare themselves for successful professional lives in their own country and globally - all without having to leave their home.

Applications are now being accepted at UCBD for the September 2025 and January 2026 intakes of its UCLan degree programmes, including the Bachelor of Science degree in Cyber Security. Interested students can learn more about UCBD from their website and start a career in one of the world's most in-demand industries. To learn more, visit: ucbd.edu.bd.

