



# Master of Science in Faith-Based Cyber Defense and Strategy

The Master of Science in Faith-Based Cyber Defense and Strategy (M.S.) program at Ebed-Melech University is a graduate-level program designed for individuals seeking advanced knowledge in cybersecurity with a focus on faith-based organizations. This program equips students with the skills to safeguard digital assets and implement strategic cybersecurity measures within the context of faith-based institutions.

# Program Overview

36

Credit Hours

Complete comprehensive  
curriculum

100%

Online

Fully flexible learning  
format

8

Week Classes

Accelerated course  
structure

1-2

Years

Program completion  
timeline





# Why Faith-Based Cybersecurity Matters

## The Challenge

Faith-based organizations face unique cybersecurity challenges as they manage sensitive member data, financial information, and digital communications. These institutions require specialized protection strategies that align with their values and mission.

Traditional cybersecurity programs often overlook the specific needs of religious organizations, creating a critical gap in protection and preparedness.

## Our Solution

This program bridges the gap between advanced cybersecurity expertise and faith-based organizational needs. Students learn to implement robust security measures while maintaining the trust and integrity central to religious institutions.

Graduates emerge as leaders capable of protecting their organizations in an increasingly digital world.

# Semester 1: Building Foundations



## CDS 501

### **Foundations of Cybersecurity**

3 credits – Core principles and fundamental concepts of cybersecurity defense



## CDS 502

### **Theological Perspectives on Cybersecurity**

3 credits – Integrating faith principles with digital security practices



## CDS 503

### **Risk Management in Faith-Based Cybersecurity**

3 credits – Identifying and mitigating security risks in religious contexts



## CDS 504

### **Cybersecurity Governance and Compliance**

3 credits – Regulatory frameworks and organizational policies



# Semester 2: Strategic Development

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## CDS 505 – Cyber Threat Intelligence and Analysis

3 credits – Advanced techniques for identifying, analyzing, and responding to cyber threats targeting faith-based organizations

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## CDS 507 – Secure Communication in Faith-Based Cyber Defense

3 credits – Protecting sensitive communications and maintaining confidentiality in digital environments

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## CDS 506 – Cybersecurity Strategies for Faith-Based Organizations

3 credits – Developing comprehensive security strategies tailored to religious institutions

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## Elective Course

3 credits – Choose from specialized topics to customize your learning path



# Semester 3: Advanced Techniques



## CDS 509

### **Advanced Faith-Based Cyber Defense Techniques**

3 credits – Sophisticated defense mechanisms and incident response strategies



## CDS 510

### **Cybersecurity Leadership in Faith-Based Contexts**

3 credits – Leading security initiatives and building organizational resilience



## CDS 511

### **Digital Forensics for Faith-Based Organizations**

3 credits – Investigating security incidents and preserving digital evidence

# Semester 4: Capstone Experience



## CAP 523 – Capstone Project in Faith-Based Cyber Defense and Strategy

**6 credits**

The capstone project represents the culmination of your graduate studies, allowing you to demonstrate mastery of cybersecurity principles within a faith-based context.

Students design and implement a comprehensive cybersecurity strategy for a real or simulated faith-based organization, integrating all knowledge gained throughout the program.

This hands-on experience prepares graduates to immediately impact their organizations upon completion.

# Program Benefits

## 100% Online Flexibility

Study from anywhere while maintaining your current commitments. Our fully online format allows you to balance work, faith, and education seamlessly.

## Accelerated 8-Week Format

Complete courses in focused 8-week sessions, allowing you to progress quickly through the curriculum while maintaining deep engagement with the material.

## Specialized Expertise

Gain unique qualifications that set you apart in the cybersecurity field, with specialized knowledge in protecting faith-based organizations.

# Your Divine Purpose in Cybersecurity

"And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?"

**Esther 4:14**

In an era where faith-based organizations face unprecedented digital threats, your calling to protect and serve has never been more critical. This program prepares you to fulfill your purpose by combining cutting-edge cybersecurity expertise with a deep understanding of faith-based organizational needs.

You are being equipped for such a time as this—to stand as a guardian of digital integrity for institutions that serve communities, spread hope, and make eternal impact.



# Begin Your Journey Today

## Ready to Make an Impact?

Join Ebed-Melech University's Master of Science in Faith-Based Cyber Defense and Strategy program and become a leader in protecting what matters most.

Our enrollment team is ready to guide you through the application process and answer any questions about the program.

- Flexible online learning
- Accelerated 8-week courses
- Complete in 1-2 years
- 36 credit hours
- Faith-integrated curriculum



### Contact Us Today

Our live enrollment team is available to discuss your educational goals and help you take the next step in your cybersecurity career.

