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# FACT SHEET: CISA CYBER INNOVATION FELLOWS

## OVERVIEW

As part of CISA's commitment to innovation and collaboration, the Agency is proud to announce the launch of the CISA Cyber Innovation Fellows Initiative in June 2022. The constantly shifting cyber risk landscape requires creativity, innovation, and expertise to address unique and rapidly evolving challenges within the cybersecurity field. CISA will partner with cybersecurity experts from the private sector to bring the latest perspectives, skills and thinking on cybersecurity to our nation's cyber defense teams. Fellows will join CISA, strengthening innovation in the agency's approach to cybersecurity, while also gaining awareness of CISA's mission space. Through participation, fellows will enhance their own skills and knowledge in support of our Nation's cybersecurity defense.

## ABOUT THE CISA CYBER INNOVATION FELLOWS INITIATIVE

The CISA Cyber Innovation Fellows will create opportunities to bring together private sector cybersecurity experts and federal cybersecurity practitioners side-by-side within CISA. Fellows will be embedded on teams across CISA where their specific expertise can help strengthen CISA's mission to understand, manage, and reduce risk to our national critical infrastructure.

CISA's goal is to create a community of experts who come together to share experiences and build toward longer term operational collaboration even after leaving the agency.

## HOW THE CYBER INNOVATION FELLOWS WILL WORK

Fellows will commit to CISA on a part time basis for a period of up to four months in a cohort-based model, allowing participants to learn from and engage with the CISA colleagues on their respective teams, as well as each other.

### Application Timeline

- The portal for prospective fellows to submit their materials opened on June 7, 2022 and will close on July 8, 2022.
- Prospective fellow materials submitted between June 7 and July 8, 2022 will be reviewed summer 2022, with offers anticipated by September 2022
- The first cohort will onboard in fall 2022.

## WHY IS CISA UNDERTAKING THIS INITIATIVE?

The rapidly evolving cyber risk landscape requires that CISA tap into the rich perspectives and skills of the private sector to bring together, with the Federal Government, the full strength of the Nation's cyber defense capacity. The Cyber Innovation Fellows marks an important milestone in CISA's engagement with a broader community of experts whose training and expertise, sensibilities around solutions, and desire to engage the federal government will make for dynamic and valuable contributions within the CISA mission space.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

- For more details on the initiative, visit [cisa.gov/cyber-fellows](https://cisa.gov/cyber-fellows) or email.

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