



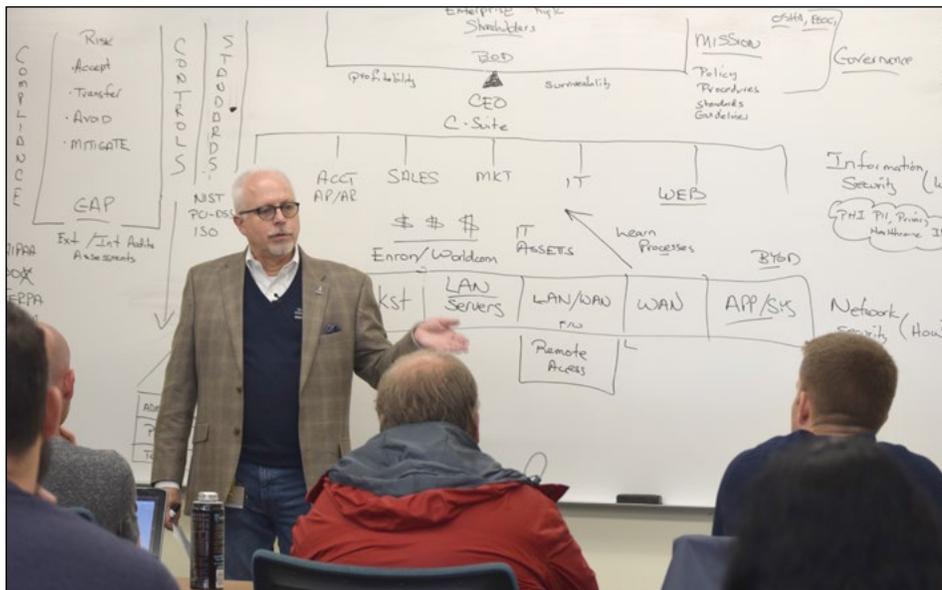
COLUMBUS STATE
UNIVERSITY

ANNOUNCES A NATIONAL SEARCH FOR THE

Department Chair of the TSYS School of Computer Science



Home of the TSYS School of Computer Science



Professional, Information Systems Security Officer, and Modeling and Simulation.

CSU is endorsed by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security as a Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) in Cyber Defense Education. The TSYS School of Computer Science’s Center for Cybersecurity has made a substantial investment in a cyber range, which became operational in January 2020.

The Position

The Department Chair of the TSYS School of Computer Science has authority and responsibility for the delivery of academic programs in accordance with the School’s, College’s, and University’s strategic plans. Additional responsibilities include the hiring and evaluation of the School’s faculty and staff and budgeting and resource management, subject to approval by the Dean and the Provost.

As a member of the Turner College of Business administration, the Department Chair serves on the College’s leadership team. This administrator coordinates the School’s activity with the other units in the College and the University and, in collaboration with other members of the administration, assists in the development and implementation of College initiatives.

The TSYS School has designated Cybersecurity as a major academic initiative. The successful candidate must have sufficient knowledge and experience in this area to lead the development and growth of this program with a focused commitment to meet local and statewide industry needs.

Qualifications

Minimum qualifications:

- An earned doctorate and research in the field justifying appointment at the rank of associate or full professor

Columbus State University, a comprehensive regional institution in west central Georgia, invites applications and nominations for the position of **Department Chair of the TSYS School of Computer Science** in the D. Abbott Turner College of Business. The Department Chair serves as the chief administrative and academic officer of the TSYS School of Computer Science.

The Opportunity

Columbus State University (CSU), a senior educational institution of the University System of Georgia, offers undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 8,450 students across six colleges. Located approximately 100 miles southwest of Atlanta, the University has two campuses in Columbus, Ga., one of the South’s most cosmopolitan cities and a cultural center for the region.

The TSYS School of Computer Science is a unit of the Turner College of Business. The School currently enrolls 575 students and offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs. It has 16 full-time and 11 part-time faculty members.

The B.S. degree in Computer Science has tracks in Cybersecurity, Software Systems, Web Development, Enterprise Computing, Computer Science Teacher Education, and Games Programming. The B.S. in Computer Science curriculum has been influenced by the ACM

Computing Curricula and ABET accreditation guidelines in support of regional needs.

The B.S. in Information Technology degree program provides students an option to embed a Cybersecurity and/or a Web Development certificate.

Along with a minor in Computer Science, students may earn an undergraduate certificate in Cybersecurity, Enterprise Computing, Research, and/or Web Development.

Graduate programs are available both online and on-campus and currently enroll over 100 students. CSU’s M.S. in Applied Computer Science program was ranked the No. 1 online master’s in computer science in 2016 by *GoGrad.org*. The School also offers an M.S. in Cybersecurity Management and a graduate-level Computer Science Teacher Endorsement program.

Graduate certificates are offered in Cybersecurity Management, Information Systems Security



Columbus State University

Mission Statement

We empower people to contribute to the advancement of our local and global communities through an emphasis on excellence in teaching and research, life-long learning, cultural enrichment, public-private partnerships, and service to others.

- Earned tenure
- Rank of associate professor or higher
- A record of leadership experience within the profession or a university
- Evidence of successful teaching in higher education
- Excellent communication skills
- Demonstrated strong understanding of and commitment to supporting active learning and real-world problem solving

- Knowledge and experience in the area of Cybersecurity

Preferred Experience

- Success in administration of programs in higher education that include strategic planning, budgeting, operations, and collaboration with external stakeholders

Visa sponsorship is not provided for this position.

A successful criminal background check is required as a condition of employment.

Columbus State University

Columbus State University has been preparing men and women for their future life paths for the past 61 years. CSU is a flourishing institution that is known for its quality, affordability, and unparalleled local support.

The University has a diverse student population. While serving students primarily from the Southeast, it also attracts international students, with 20 nations represented in the enrollment.

CSU provides a creative, personal, and relevant college experience,

Linda U. Hadley, Ph.D.

Dean of the Turner College of Business

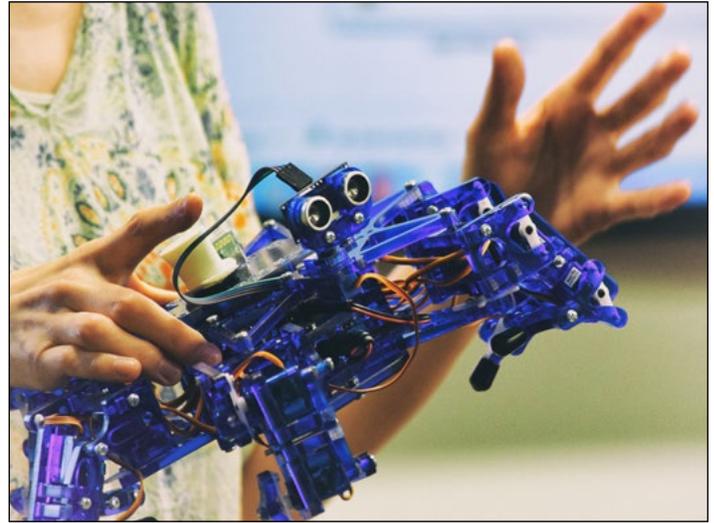


Dr. Linda U. Hadley is the Dean of the Turner College of Business and holds the Bill Heard endowed chair in Finance. She joined the faculty in 1992 following a 10-year career in the financial services industry. She has held several previous administrative roles since joining CSU as an assistant professor. Dr. Hadley has taught in the areas of microeconomics, financial institutions, and investments, and she has published primarily in the area of financial institution performance.

She has been recognized for her contributions in teaching, administration, and service. Dr. Hadley has been awarded the Turner College's Excellence in Teaching and Faculty Service Awards. In 2005, she was awarded Columbus State University's Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Dr. Hadley earned a B.A. in economics from Mount Holyoke College, an M.B.A. from Columbus State University, and a Ph.D. in financial economics from Auburn University. Dr. Hadley also has completed the Management Development Program at Harvard University.

She was elected to the Board of AACSB International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) in 2014 and currently serves as the Chair of the Board of Directors. She currently or has previously served on the Boards of Columbus Bank and Trust (Synovus), Brookstone School, Columbus Chamber of Commerce, Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley, Pastoral Institute, St. Francis Hospital, and the Columbus Rotary Club.



which values diversity and inclusion in all forms. The University aspires to have faculty and staff reflect the rich diversity of its student body and the Columbus region.

With nationally distinctive programs in the arts, education, business, nursing, and more, the University offers undergraduate and graduate degrees, including a doctorate in education. CSU also provides a variety of online offerings, including full-degree programs, and an extensive continuing education program.

Ranked among the top regional universities in the South by *U.S. News & World Report*, CSU is ranked 30th among the Top Public Regional Schools in the 2020 rankings.

Affordable Colleges Online ranked the University among the “Best Online Colleges in Georgia” for providing the best opportunities and value for students seeking online training and educational programs. Three of the institution’s online programs - business, graduate education, and bachelor’s in nursing - have been recognized as being among the best in the nation.

The University has two primary campus locations in Columbus: the original campus on 150 acres in midtown Columbus and a beautiful campus in historic downtown Columbus overlooking the Chattahoochee River. The original campus is located in suburban Columbus and houses programs

in the sciences, business, and humanities. The other, called the RiverPark campus, is on the banks of the Chattahoochee River and includes some of the country’s most sophisticated teaching and fine and performing arts spaces.

Columbus State thrives on community partnerships to deliver excellence for students who want to achieve personal and professional success in an increasingly global environment. The University has a nationally recognized track record of partnership and outreach through efforts such as the Cunningham Center for Leadership Development, Coca-Cola Space Science Center, Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center, Rankin Arts Center, and its

Quick Facts about CSU

- **Established:** 1958
- **Enrollment:** 8,000-plus students, including 1,436 graduate students
- **Degree Programs:** 81 undergraduate, 69 graduate
- **Faculty:** 292 (full-time), 222 (part-time)
- **Staff:** 865 (full-time), 492 (part-time)
- **Alumni:** More than 38,000
- **Economic Impact:** \$295 million (2017)
- **CSU Foundation Endowment:** \$64 million
- **Colleges and Schools**
 - College of the Arts
- Schwob School of Music
 - D. Abbott Turner College of Business
- TSYS School of Computer Science
 - College of Education and Health Professions
- School of Nursing
 - College of Letters and Sciences
 - The Graduate School
 - Honors College

own residence – the Spencer House – in Oxford, England.

CSU's RiverCenter is a cutting-edge performing arts facility. It houses three performance halls, a world-class organ, and the highly respected School of Music. The riverside art and theatre complex also includes two state-of-the-art teaching theatres, an art gallery, and an array of specially designed art classrooms.

CSU is a Division II member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. The Cougars field 13 intercollegiate teams.

Additional information is available at www.columbusstate.edu.

Columbus, Georgia

Columbus is located on the western border of Georgia and has nearly 200,000 residents and a population total of 350,000 in the surrounding area. Within two hours of the capitals of Georgia and Alabama, the city has an engaged community that offers numerous activities and events that encourage participation and involvement.

Columbus offers both diversity and affordability. There are public and private schools, dozens of public parks, and quality housing options.

The city is known for its cultural arts, largely due to the RiverPark campus. The extensive offerings of visual and performing arts programs and special performers at CSU attract thousands of visitors annually.

For the water adventurer, Columbus is home to the world's longest urban whitewater experience on the Chattahoochee River. The city and supporting organizations breached two dams to create whitewater rafting, kayaking, tubing, river surfing and other river-related activities along a 2.5-mile stretch between Columbus and Phenix City, Ala.

Columbus provides a full array of dining, entertainment, and family adventures to explore. It also is



home to world-class enterprises, such as Aflac, Synovus, W.C. Bradley Company, TSYS, and Fort Benning, the U.S. Army's Maneuver Center of Excellence headquarters.

The surrounding area offers many historic and fun activities. Franklin

D. Roosevelt's Little White House, Andersonville National Historic Site, and the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site are nearby, along with state parks and museums. Callaway Garden offers visitors the wonders of southern natural woodland gardens and a butterfly center.

Application and Nomination Process

Confidential inquiries are welcomed, and **nominations** are invited.

1. To Apply - Application packet **must include**:

- a) Letter of interest
- b) Current curriculum vitae
- c) At least five references with full contact and e-mail information (References will not be contacted without applicant's consent.)

Additional information will be requested upon submission of an application packet.

- ### 2. Submit application packet to CSU-TSYS@myersmcrac.com (preferably as PDFs) by **January 15, 2021**, for best consideration. Submissions will be reviewed and considered upon receipt of complete application packet. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Submit nominations to CSU-TSYS-Nominate@myersmcrac.com with complete contact and e-mail information for the person being nominated.

Jennifer Barfield, Senior Vice President, and **Emily Parker Myers**, CEO, of **Myers McRae Executive Search and Consulting**, are assisting Columbus State University with this search.



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