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## **Nevada National Security Site and University of Nevada, Reno announce cybersecurity partnership**

**NORTH LAS VEGAS, Nevada** – The U.S. Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration’s Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) is proud to partner with the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) Cybersecurity Center for new research and collaborative opportunities.

During the NNSS’ initial funding of \$170,000, the UNR Cybersecurity Center will conduct vulnerability research assessments that support the NNSS’ digital infrastructure. The mutually beneficial relationship gives undergraduate and graduate students hands-on exposure to cybersecurity career development while allowing the NNSS to collaborate with future industry leaders and introduce them to the NNSS’ national security mission.

“We hire from these universities because we invest in their students,” said NNSS Cyber Technology Program Director Mike Buglewicz, who has managed the NNSS’ Emergency Communications Network and served as the keynote speaker at UNR’s annual cybersecurity conference. “Once students understand as much as they can about our missions, it’s not a matter of will they want to come to work at the NNSS—it’s when. They believe in the mission that we’re part of, which is really powerful. Working with universities has huge benefits. It is our pleasure to offer students positions and an even greater pleasure when they accept.”

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The NNSS is managed and operated by Mission Support and Test Services LLC (MSTS). MSTS is a limited liability company consisting of Honeywell International Inc., Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., and HII Nuclear. The NNSS falls under the jurisdiction of the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), an agency within the U.S. Department of Energy. The Site’s operations are government-controlled and contractor-operated, and are overseen by NNSA’s Nevada Field Office, headquartered in North Las Vegas.

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