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UCCS partnered with the Army Reserve to host a Cyber Private Public Partnership (Cyber P3) Design Workshop on April 19-22. Representatives from more than 30 universities, corporations and military organizations participated. You can read more about the event in the UCCS Communique [3].

The conference was part of the <u>ongoing effort to create future cyber warriors</u>. [4] UCCS, along with five other top-tier universities, the Army Reserve, and corporate partners teamed up in February to create the Cyber P3.

In addition to UCCS, the Cyber P3 includes Drexel University, George Mason University, Norwich University, the University of Alabama at Huntsville, the University of South Florida, the University of Texas at San Antonio and the University of Washington. UCCS Chancellor Shockley-Zalabak said all eight schools already have cybersecurity curriculum certified by the National Security Agency's Committee on National Security Systems and used the three-day workshop to devise a common curriculum. She said parts of the program may launch in the fall semester, after the schools determine how many reservists will need to be trained - between 100 and 1,000, officials say. Read more about the conference here [5].

On April 29, the office of Congressman Doug Lamborn announced that the Congressman worked to secure a \$6 million authorization for the program. If appropriated, this would fully fund the program in its inaugural year.



Pictured: Lieutenant General Rhett Hernandez (Retired, US Army), former commander of the U.S. Army Cyber Command, honors UCCS Chancellor Shockley-Zalabak for her efforts in advancing cyber security education.

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