



Quote Sheet: Universities to Help Train IBM Watson for Cyber Security

"The NYU Tandon School of Engineering is pleased to participate with other distinguished universities in this IBM initiative that promises to make the world safer, and place our students at the frontiers of cybersecurity and machine learning. Tandon will offer this unique educational opportunity to both undergraduate and graduate computer science students through a directed study program that will ensure that our students are among the first in the world with hands-on experience in cognitive cybersecurity, with access to research material used by the best minds in the endeavor."

Katepalli R. Sreenivasan,
Dean, Tandon School of Engineering
New York University

"We are constantly being asked by companies about availability of cybersecurity-competent students to be hired for executive positions; this is yet another way for our students to be at the leading edge of cybersecurity technologies. This project actually provides two complementary values to our students since it reinforces and enhances their expertise in both Big Data/AI and Cybersecurity."

Stuart Madnick,
John Norris Maguire Professor of Information Technologies, Sloan School of Management
& Professor of Engineering Systems, School of Engineering,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

"The partnership between IBM and Penn State is an ideal opportunity for our students to experience the kinds of bleeding edge knowledge management that will drive technology in the next century. At the same time, it is a wonderful chance for Penn State to showcase its exceptional student engineers."

Dr. Patrick McDaniel,
Distinguished Professor of Computer Science and Engineering,
School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science,
Penn State University

"Providing our students an opportunity to work one-on-one with Watson will undoubtedly set them apart when it's time to enter the workforce. Not only is there potential to search for and repair vulnerabilities, Watson's ability to recognize advanced patterns could fill holes we didn't even know existed."

Dr. Dan Manson,
Chair of the computer information systems department,
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

"This collaboration will allow our students and faculty to work with IBM to advance the state-of-the-art in cognitive computing and cybersecurity."

Anupam Joshi,
Director of UMBC Center for Cybersecurity
University of Maryland, Baltimore County

"UMBC faculty, and students in the College of Engineering and Information Technology are excited to expand our work on global scientific and cybersecurity challenges in collaboration with world class partners like IBM."

Julie Ross,
Dean of the UMBC's College of Engineering and Information Technology
University of Maryland, Baltimore County

“This is an opportunity for our students, faculty and researchers to contribute significantly to the ever-evolving challenges in the cybersecurity industry. Furthermore the training opportunities for our students through this collaboration are second to none which will help them differentiate when seeking employment.”

Claude D’Amours,
Director of EECS, Faculty of Engineering,
University of Ottawa

“This is a tremendous opportunity for the University of New Brunswick that fits well with our proud and productive partnership with IBM. The fact that we are one of three universities in Canada to be chosen for this work speaks to our leadership role in cybersecurity research.”

Eddy Campbell,
President,
University of New Brunswick

“We’re pleased to take part on this project with IBM. We’ve been working hard with IBM for years on solutions to the growing threat of cybersecurity. This project with Watson has tremendous potential to be a game-changer. At the University of New Brunswick, we prize opportunities for our students to help companies and organizations find solutions to real-world problems. This work with Watson and IBM is yet another example of the kinds of transformative experiences our students can expect.”

Dr. Ali Ghorbani,
Dean of the Faculty of Computer Science
University of New Brunswick

“I’m excited to be working on this next-generation project with IBM. This puts me squarely on the ground floor, working on something that truly has the potential to transform the cybersecurity battleground in favour of the good guys.”

Rizwan Ali
Master’s of computer science student,
University of New Brunswick

“Waterloo is renowned for its unique system of education that equips students with real-world experiences as they pursue their academic careers, both through co-op work experiences as well as exposure to new research. We are delighted that IBM is giving Waterloo students a valuable opportunity to explore the state of the art at the intersection of machine learning and cybersecurity.”

Professor Manoj Sachdev,
Chair, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering,
University of Waterloo

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