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# Student Metrics
This section only applies to graduating undergraduates supported by this agreement in this reporting period

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## Names of Personnel receiving masters degrees

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## Sub Contractors (DD882)

## Inventions (DD882)

## Scientific Progress

## Technology Transfer
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Conference Information

The ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security is the flagship annual conference of the Special Interest Group on Security, Audit and Control (SIGSAC) of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM). The conference brings together information security researchers, practitioners, developers, and users from all over the world to explore cutting-edge ideas and results. It provides an environment to conduct intellectual discussions. From its inception, CCS has established itself as a high standard research conference in its area.

ACM CCS 2013. The 20th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security was held in Berlin, Germany, from November 4 to November 8, 2013. The conference received 530 submissions from 38 countries. A Program Committee comprising 82 experts from 16 countries as well as 310 external reviewers evaluated these submissions in the customary double-blind manner. At the end of the review process, 105 papers were selected for inclusion in the program, representing an acceptance rate of about 20%.

ACM CCS 2014. The 21st ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security was held in Scottsdale, Arizona, USA from November 3 to November 7, 2014. The conference received 585 submissions from 43 countries. A Program Committee comprising
98 experts from 15 countries, helped by 399 external reviewers, evaluated these submissions employing the customary double-blind review procedure. The review process resulted in 114 papers being accepted to the program, representing an acceptance rate of about 19.5% and providing a very broad coverage of the entire information security area.

**ACM CCS 2015.** The 22nd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security was held in Denver, Colorado, USA from October 12 to October 16, 2015. The conference received 660 submissions. A Program Committee comprising 120 experts from 20 countries, helped by 338 external reviewers, evaluated these submissions, employing the customary double-blind review procedure. The review process resulted in 128 papers being accepted to the program (with authors from 19 countries), representing an acceptance rate of about 19.4% and providing a very broad coverage of the entire information security area.

**Use of Funds**

The $30,000 project budget was spent to support 10 students each year and enable them to attend ACM CCS. Each student received $1,000 to partially fund their travel expenses. Awardees were selected by the CCS Travel Grants Committee, and preference was given to students who had papers accepted for publication at the conference. Students seeking a travel grant applied by submitting an application – including a CV, letter of support from the academic advisor, and a research statement – to the CCS Travel Grants Committee. After evaluating all the applications, the Committee sent the PI at George Mason University the list of students who were selected. A list of the awardees is provided below, along with their affiliation when available.

**ACM CCS 2013**

- Carter, Henry Lee
- Schuchard, Maxfield
- Nikolaenko, Valeria
- Nguyen, Giang
- Syta, Ewa
- Rajendran, Jeyavijayan
- Zhang, Xu
- Kapravelos, Alexandros
- Cha, Sang Kil
• Tam, Kimberly

**ACM CCS 2014**

• Phuong, Tran Viet Xuan (University of Wollongong, Australia)
• Tian, Yuan (Carnegie Mellon University)
• Shukla, Diksha (Syracuse University)
• Shirvanian, Maliheh (University of Alabama at Birmingham)
• Monshizadeh, Maliheh (University of Illinois at Chicago)
• Chang, Wentao
• Mekky, Hesham (University of Minnesota)
• O’Neill, Mark (Brigham Young University)
• Krupp, Johannes (Saarland University, Germany)
• Zhang, Yupeng (University of Maryland, College Park)

**ACM CCS 2015**

• Zhang, Yupeng (University of Maryland, College Park)
• Bum, Jun Kwon (University of Maryland, College Park)
• Chen, Qi (University of Michigan)
• Ming, Jiang (The Pennsylvania State University)
• Zhang, Nan (Indiana University Bloomington)
• Naveed, Muhammad (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)
• Papadopoulos, Dimitrios (Boston University)
• Wang, Tao (University of South Florida)
• Guoxing, Chen (The Ohio State University)
• Zhang, XiaoKuan (The Ohio State University)