



Information Security Analyst

Become an information security analyst and help businesses identify information security threats and risks. Learn to investigate cybersecurity events or crimes to IT systems, networks and digital assets.

Graduates of the Information Security program will develop skills to identify and interpret information security threats and risks in a business context. They can adapt industry-standard frameworks to propose practical solutions to mitigate risks.

Graduates will also learn to investigate cybersecurity events or crimes related to IT systems, networks and digital assets. They will learn to review, analyze and evaluate incoming cybersecurity threats that impact strategy and operations.

Is this the right fit for me?

This program requires a commitment of both time and energy. Students who experience success are those who make their education a priority throughout the program.

We find there is a direct correlation between the time and energy invested to the amount of success achieved. Learners with strong time management and discipline have a greater propensity to succeed.

Remaining focused and diligent with coursework is important for success in completing the program.

Credentials

Upon successful completion of this program, graduates will receive a SAIT Information Security Analyst post-diploma certificate.

Admission Requirements

Ideal candidate

The ideal candidate for the Information Security Analyst post-diploma certificate has a previous post-secondary diploma or degree, ideally in a technical or information technology discipline.

You have education or work experience in software development and/or computer networking or related fields. You understand the critical nature of cybersecurity and are intrigued by the ever-changing ways that both corporate and personal information continue to be compromised. You have a strong ethical standard and a curious mind.

Program requirements

Applicants must meet the following or equivalent:

- Completion of a post-secondary degree or diploma from a recognized university, institute, or college.
- A combination of education and experience may be considered and is subject to approval by the academic chair.

All applicants must demonstrate [English language proficiency](#) prior to admission, including students educated in Canada.

SAIT accepts [high school course equivalents](#) for admission. If you don't meet the requirements, consider [Academic Upgrading](#).

SAIT evaluates international documents for admissions. After you've applied, consider our [international document assessment](#) service if your education is from outside of Canada. SAIT may also accept courses completed at certain [international post-secondary institutions](#).

When should
you apply?

Visit our [Apply page](#) to see when applications open and close for upcoming semesters.

To see which semesters this program has intakes for, look at the Available Intakes information at the top of this page.

[See when we start and stop accepting applications](#)

Direct entry: four-step process

Step 1: Read the program information to see the qualities needed for student success.

Step 2: Ensure that you meet all of the admission requirements listed above.

Step 3: [Apply to the program](#) and [submit your transcripts](#).

Admission will be extended on a first-qualified, first-offered basis until the program is full.

Step 4: Continue to monitor your [application status](#) through [mySAIT.ca](#).

You must [submit final transcripts/grades](#) to show you have completed the courses and met the minimum admission requirements by the transcript deadline or your seat will be rescinded.

This program is available to [international students](#), however, program availability may be limited. This program does **not** meet the eligibility criteria for the Post-Graduation Work Permit program.

Get started as an undeclared student

The courses in the Information Security Analyst program allow for registration into individual courses without going through the SAIT application process. It is important you read the ideal candidate statement above to be sure you are a good fit for these courses.

You may apply to complete the credential at any time, at which point you will have to submit transcripts for entrance into the credential. You must apply for a [prior learning assessment](#) if you wish to get credit for a required course based on previous education or experience.

Communication during admission

Email is the primary source of communication during the selection process. Ensure your personal email account is managed appropriately to receive our emails, files and communications. We recommend you add the sadt.advising@sait.ca domain to your safe senders' list or you risk missing critical email messages.

When do classes start?

Classes for this program adhere to the following year start and end dates based on the semester the student begins their program.

Classes begin	Year start date	Year end date
Fall 2022	Sept. 6, 2022	Dec. 16, 2022*
Spring 2023	May 8, 2023	Aug. 18, 2023**
Fall 2023	Sept. 5, 2023	April 26, 2024

*Year end for students taking classes via open enrolment is March 28, 2024.
**Year end for students taking classes via open enrolment is Dec. 13, 2024.

Costs 2023/24

Tuition and fees

The following costs are effective as of July 1, 2023. They are an **estimate** of tuition and fees based on the recommended course load per year. *

Domestic students

Year	Number of semesters	Tuition fees	SAIT fees	Saitsa fees	Total
1	2	\$14,472	\$948	\$622	\$16,042

International students

Year	Number of semesters	Tuition fees	SAIT fees	Saitsa fees	Total
1	2	\$25,990.47	\$474	\$476	\$26,940.47

*For a detailed breakdown of tuition costs per course, visit the [domestic](#) and [international](#) fee tables.

This program is eligible for [Canada Alberta Job Grant](#) funding.

Fees

Your fees are calculated based on the number of course credits you take per semester (approximately 16 weeks of study). In most cases, your fee is determined based on whether you're taking **more** or **less** than nine (9) course credits (more than nine credits in a semester are considered full-time studies.)

Fees are adjusted for programs with start dates outside of the typical 15-week program.

[Learn more about what your fees are for](#)

2023/24 fees per semester

Books and supplies*

Books and supplies are approximately \$1,000 - 1,500 per full-time year.

For an estimate of the costs associated with purchasing a computer that meets the program's hardware and software requirements, see our [computers and laptops page](#).

*Tuition, fees, books and supply costs are subject to change.

[Learn more about your tuition and financial aid options](#)