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New director of cybersecurity education joins Department of Computer Science

DR. THIERRY WANDJI KETCHIOZO has joined NC State as the director of cybersecurity education in the Department of Computer Science (CSC).The newly created position is a critical piece of the department's continued growth as a national leader in cybersecurity education and research. He will play a key role in NC State's Secure Computing Institute (SCI), founded in 2019 with a goal of enhancing the security and privacy of computing systems through basic and applied research and advancing and delivering cybersecurity education.

Ketchiozo brings extensive experience in private industry, in cybersecurity education and in senior positions as a researcher and software and systems engineer for the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory and Naval Air Systems Command. He holds a bachelor's degree from University of Montreal, master's degrees from Morgan State University and University of Maryland University College and a Ph.D. from George Washington University.

The National Security Agency established a Science of Security Lablet at NC State in 2012.

Since then, CSC has established master's and undergraduate tracks in security. A new undergraduate concentration will start in spring 2021 and the department plans to soon propose to University officials a master's degree in cybersecurity.

In 2019, CSC received a \$2.75 million award from the National Science Foundation to launch a CyberCorps Scholarships for Service program. Five scholarships will be awarded annually to graduate and undergraduate students.

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