

CyAN Mentorship Programme

Autumn 2026 cohort · mid-September to mid-December



CyAN's free, volunteer-led mentorship programme pairs people building a career in cybersecurity with experienced CyAN members. Light-touch but committed — up to 10 pairs.

The commitment (both)

- At least one call every two weeks with your mentor / mentee (more if you both want).
- Be proactive, professional, and responsive.
- Reply to a short monthly status mail, and join the participant Signal chat.
- **Mentees:** write and publish one article on the CyAN blog by mid-December, on a topic that interests you.

We do not chase. Beyond the monthly status mail, anyone who goes unresponsive is dropped.

For mentees

Who: a university student, or a professional growing, pivoting, or deepening their expertise in cybersecurity or a related field (engineering, risk, governance, policy, trust & safety, law, business development).

You get:

- Guidance from a senior practitioner
- A published article under your name
- A certificate of completion
- Named recognition on our blog, website, and LinkedIn
- CyAN membership on completion, free through 2027

For mentors

Who: any current CyAN member willing to support one mentee for three months.

You get:

- The satisfaction of growing our field
- Named recognition on our blog, website, and LinkedIn
- Priority for future cohorts
- A fresh perspective from your mentee ("reverse mentorship")

How to take part

- **Mentors** — reply to the call by Friday 22 August.
- **Mentees** — apply by Friday 5 September at cybersecurityadvisors.network/reach-us/ — say that you are applying for the mentorship programme.
- **CPE note:** mentoring hours may be eligible for self-reported CPE credits with (ISC)², ISACA, and others, subject to each body's rules and annual limits.

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