Focal Point Academy

This articulation plan outlines how students can apply their certification earned at Focal Point Academy to one of Excelsior College's degree program. Actual Transferrabilty of credits are dependent upon current Excelsior College degree requirements and policies upon the date a student is admitted to the college. All students will be reviewed individually as it relates to the transferability of credits into an Excelsior degree program.



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Focal Point Academy	Excelsior College Equivalency	Validity Dates	Semester Hours	Degree Alignment
Automated Network Defense (formerly Cyber Threats Detection and Mitigation)	Technology Elective	4/01/2014 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Behavioral Malware Analysis (formerly Basic Malware Analysis)	Technology Elective	4/01/2014 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Hacker Methodologies for Security Professionals	Technology Elective	4/01/2019 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Hacking with Python	Technology Elective	4/01/2019 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Malware Reverse Engineering (formerly Intermediate Malware Analysis)	CYS 400: Reverse Engineering (CyberOps Concentration)	4/01/2014 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity
Network Forensics and Investigation I (formerly Network Traffic Analysis)	IT 442: Internetworking with TCP/IP	4/01/2014 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity
Network Forensics and Investigation II (formerly Malicious Network Traffic Analysis)	Technology Elective	4/01/2014 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Python for Network Defenders (formerly Introduction to Python Scripting)	IT 211: Fundamentals of Programming	4/01/2014 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity
Assembly for Reverse Engineering	Technology Elective	4/01/2019 - 11/30/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Linux/ C++ Reverse Engineering	Technology Elective	4/01/2019 - 11/30/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Python Reverse Engineering	Technology Elective	4/01/2019 - 11/30/2026	3 UL	AAS in Technical Studies, BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity, BPS in Technology Management
Endpoint Live Forensics	Technology Elective	4/01/2019 - 7/15/2026	3 UL	BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity
Understanding Operating Systems	IT360: Operating Systems	4/01/2019 - 11/30/2026	3 UL	BS in Information Technology, BS in Cybersecurity
	CYS523: Software Application Security	4/01/2019 - 11/30/2026	3 GL	MS in Cybersecurity

Additional Notes

Students can opt to use graduate level credits towards their undergraduate degree. However, they will be asked to sign a waiver indicating that they will not apply the same credits towards a graduate degree, if they choose to pursue one in the future.

Cornerstone, information literacy and capstone may not be transferred from other institutions at the undergraduate level.

Ethical Leadership and Capstone may not be transferred from other institutions at the graduate level.

Credits from Focal Point Academy must be reflected in an official transcript and submitted in a sealed envelope or sent electronically from an approved source.

Excelsior College reviews every student individually and this guide is just a sample scenario. Actual requirements will be dependent on the courses a student transfers to Excelsior.

GR = Graduate Level Credit | UL = Upper Level Undergraduate Credit | LL = Lower Level Undergraduate Credit