The Middle Tennessee Chapter of the Information Security Systems Association (ISSA) awards a scholarship through the Nashville State Community College Foundation with the goal of raising awareness and fostering development in the area of information security. Maximum award will be $500.00 per semester and will be contingent on funding. Awardees will receive a one-year membership to the Middle Tennessee Chapter of ISSA, receive the ISSA magazine, and receive free admission to the local ISSA conference.

To apply, please submit your NSCC Financial Aid and Scholarship Application through your myNSCC. You must complete this application each year. We recommend that you submit your application early. Awards will be made contingent upon available funding and the following criteria:

1. Applicants must be pursuing an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Computer Information Technology with a focus on Cyber Defense.

2. Applicants must be enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours.

3. Applicants must have completed at least 12 credit hours of college-level coursework with a minimum 2.5 grade point average.

4. Applicants must be in good academic standing and meet satisfactory academic progress standards, as measured for federal Title IV Programs.

Recipients will be selected based on the recommendations from the Computer Information Technology faculty.

Students who receive the ISSA Scholarship in the Fall semester must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5, complete six credit hours, and continue to meet the criteria listed above to remain eligible for the Spring disbursement of the scholarship.

Recipients will be required to attend an ISSA Middle Tennessee Chapter Meeting during the award year and are asked to provide advance notice of meeting attendance to the Membership Director at membership@issa-midtn.org.

Applicable maintenance fee / tuition refunds will be credited to the scholarship except in cases when the student is also receiving federal Title IV benefits and totally withdraws. In such cases, the refund is credited back to the appropriate program(s) according to the NSCC “Return of Title IV Funds” Policy.