

What's Current Wednesdays



ARE WE TRULY PREPARED FOR THE NEXT TYPE OF WARFARE?

Wednesday, October 4, 2017 - 2:00 - 3:15 PM
MSC Century Room C For Cookies and Conversation*

Join *The Current* and discussion leader Dr. Maurice Dawson, Assistant Professor of Information Systems at the University of Missouri - St. Louis (UMSL). In this session, we converse about the next battlefield and understand if America is ready. Cyber security has become a matter of national, international, economic, and societal importance that affects multiple nations. This type of warfare, cyber warfare, changes the landscape of war itself. This kind of war removes the need to have a physically capable military and requires the demand for a force that has a substantial technical capacity, e.g., computer science skills. The U.S. and other countries have come to understand that this is an issue and has developed policies to handle this to mitigate the threats.

The *New York Times* features that will serve as the jumping off point for the conversation are:

(1) <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/06/22/technology/ransomware-attack-nsa-cyberweapons.html?mcubz=0>

(2) [https://www.nytimes.com/2017/09/14/business/equifax-hack-what-we-know.html?rref=collection%2Ftimestopic%2FComputer Security%28Cybersecurity%29&action=click&contentCollection=timestopics%2Fion=stream&module=stream_unit&version=latest&contentPlacement=4&pgtype=collection](https://www.nytimes.com/2017/09/14/business/equifax-hack-what-we-know.html?rref=collection%2Ftimestopic%2FComputer%20Security%28Cybersecurity%29&action=click&contentCollection=timestopics%2Fion=stream&module=stream_unit&version=latest&contentPlacement=4&pgtype=collection)

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