Internships, Careers, Issues and Skills in Cyber Security with Brandon Berlin

On Wednesday February 6th, Eastern Business Information Systems and Computer Science students were joined by guest speaker and BIS alumni Brandon Berlin. Brandon graduated from Eastern in 2014 after majoring in Business Information Systems and minoring in Healthcare Informatics. He is currently completing a master's degree in Information Technology Management from SNHU with a concentration in Cyber Security. He currently works as a Cybersecurity Engineer at DXC Technology/United Technology Corporation.

Brandon began his presentation with an explanation of cyber security and information technology issues while students enjoyed pizza and soda. He emphasized the availability of jobs in cybersecurity, including with his own company, and showed some statistics about the great salaries offered in this field. As students answered questions and received prizes from cyber security companies, Brandon talked about the areas of importance within the field. Some of these areas include network security, application security, information security, operational security, disaster recover, business continuity and end-user education. As well, he discussed the changes of cyber security on organizations such as the impacts, both positive and negative of the cloud, and some seemingly outlandish, but real practices like underwater server farms.

Brandon also taught BIS-AITP Chapter members about malicious emails, how to identify them and what to do when you receive one. Brandon taught students about the growing and necessary field of cyber security and the awesome career opportunities that exist within this field. His company is currently hiring for internship and career positions.