

ITEM II -PRESENTATION

INDUSTRY SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS



Professor Brown is co-chair of the Technology Department at Merritt College with Disciplines that include Computer Science, Cybersecurity, Computer Information Systems, and Dev Ops. He holds an Electrical Engineering degree from University of Pennsylvania, and a Master of Computer Science from Stevens Institute of Technology with a focus on Artificial Intelligence.

He created the first Computer Science degree in Alameda County which is the service area for the Peralta Community College District. Merritt College Cybersecurity students achieved national distinction by placing in the top 3% of Fall 2024 National Cyberleague.

The mission of Merritt's Technology department is to provide entry level pathways into technical careers. Merritt is part of the East Bay Inter-Agency Training Council (EBIATC). EBIATC is a collaborative of many Alameda County agencies and public benefit organizations intended to bring together resources to support the completion of degrees and certificates. These partnerships include technology apprenticeships which enable students to earn while they learn while being matched with an employer. By working with EBIATC Merritt intends to provide a local source of Information Technology, Cybersecurity, and Software development to Alameda County.