Polytechnic University Launches a Nationwide Cyber Security Competition for High School and College Students

Brooklyn, NY – November 6, 2007 – New York's leading technology university, Polytechnic University, today announced a "Battle of the Cyber World" as part of its fourth annual Cyber Security Awareness Week (CSAW). Polytechnic University’s renowned Information Systems and Internet Security Lab will host a nationwide competition as part of its effort to generate interest in the cyber security industry among high school and university students.

Throughout November, students currently enrolled in a university, college or high school in the United States can submit across several contest categories, ranging from digital forensics to infrastructure protection to hardware design. Contestants can enter via the Internet at http://isis.poly.edu/csaw.

CSAW will culminate during the first week of December when finalists will attend an awards ceremony at Polytechnic’s Brooklyn campus. The winner in each category will receive cash prizes, the latest in consumer gadgetry and priceless exposure to potential employers, such as Pitney Bowes, Microsoft and igxglobal, who will be among the judges.

“One of the great challenges of the next era of computing will be keeping users, their devices and their data safe from harm,” said Nasir Memon, director of Polytechnic University’s Information Systems and Internet Security Lab. “Polytechnic University recognizes the importance of finding
the young, talented experts of tomorrow, exciting their interest and connecting them with the peers. CSAW provides such a forum as well as an opportunity for those students to meet with prospective employers and other security luminaries.”

About Polytechnic University
Polytechnic University, one of the nation’s oldest private engineering universities, was founded in 1854 in Brooklyn, New York. Today, it is the New York metropolitan area’s preeminent resource in science and technology education and research. In addition to its main campus at MetroTech Center in Brooklyn, Polytechnic offers programs at sites throughout the region, including Long Island, Manhattan and Westchester. Additionally, the University offers several programs in Israel. For further information, and to learn more about The Power of PolyThinking, please visit www.poly.edu.

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