PACT Assessments

Assessment team biographies



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Our assessment teams are:

- **Multidisciplinary:** We have expertise in information and operational technology, law, policy, compliance, education and learning sciences, and qualitative research methodologies.
- **Experienced in cyber ops:** We have years of experience working in cybersecurity operations, including environments heavy on operational technology, innovation, and collaborative workflows.
- **Broadly knowledgeable:** We have worked with a wide range of verticals with differing mission sets, including national security, critical infrastructure, and research infrastructure operations.

Our assessment leaders include:



Craig Jackson is program director at CACR. He leads collaborative work with the national security community, as well as interdisciplinary assessment and guidance teams for the NSF Cybersecurity Center of Excellence. He has served as temporary

faculty at Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane. Craig is a graduate of the IU Maurer School of Law, IU School of Education, and Washington University in St. Louis.



Ranson Ricks is a senior project manager with CACR. He has more than 30 years of leadership and management experience in the defense community and private industry, with specialties in military operations, information technology management, and program and

project management. Ranson received his B.S. in Electronic Engineering Technology from Savannah State University; Master's of Engineering Management from Saint Martin's University; and Master's of Military Operational Art and Science from Air University.



Scott Russell is a senior policy analyst with CACR, where his work focuses on the improvement of privacy and cybersecurity policy. He is the program lead for the Trusted CI Framework, a co-author of Security from First Principles: A Practical

Guide to the Information Security Practice Principles, and served as temporary faculty at Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane. He received his B.A. in Computer Science and History from the University of Virginia, J.D. from Indiana University, interned at MITRE, and served as a postdoctoral fellow at CACR.



Emily K. Adams is a principal security analyst at CACR.
Emily's career includes serving IU's University Information
Security Office as a lead security engineer focused on protecting and defending the university's information technology

environment with expertise in security consulting, network intrusion detection and analysis, incident response, and security systems administration. She also worked with the Department of Defense as an information security analyst. Emily holds a B.A. in Sociology and a M.S. in Secure Computing from IU.

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