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Dear Information Security student,

We congratulate you for your acceptance of our offer to be admitted to the information security master's degree program. While every effort has been made to provide comprehensive yet succinct information on the program, there will certainly be specific questions or requirements that are not included in this letter or found on the Web sites. If you have any such questions, requirements, or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the degree program coordinators at master-imt@hig.no. Up-to-date information regarding the master's program will also be available at <http://www.hig.no/studietilbud/it/master/mis/> and more general info at www.hig.no/student.

For more information about the research environment you will be part of in Gjøvik visit <http://www.nislab.no>

Start seminar 19th-20th August

The first official day of the semester will be August 19th (even though the optional preparatory course in Mathematics starts August 17th). During Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th we want you to tell us about your expectations from the master's program and we shall tell you about our expectations from you as a student. We shall also give you information about the goals of the program and how it is structured. Introductory lectures in some of the Autumn semester courses will also be given (details for the first week in the attachment).

For remote students: Ask us if you need information or recommendations about housing in Gjøvik!

“Flexible” master's program

The master's program in Information Security (MIS) was from fall 2008 offered in a flexible manner to fit well to all groups of students (full-time, part-time and remote students). This makes it possible to combine work and study.

In general, on-campus presence is required max three weeks per semester. For the first semester (Autumn 2009) this includes the start seminar and two weeks of exams (week 42 and week 50/51).

All courses will be available on-line using the platform ClassFronter (“Fronter”). This requires username and password (*). As soon as your semester registration is accepted, you will get access to the “Fronter” rooms for the first semester. Some courses will require presence at lab exercises or group work/presentations – see details in course descriptions. Most of the courses will also be run as usual campus courses with lectures and exercises (see in “Timeplan” / course schedule at www.hig.no).

Details about the MIS program and course descriptions to be found in “studiehandbok 2009-2010” http://english.hig.no/studiehaandbok/studiehaandboeker/2009_2010/studiehaandbok_2009_2010/imt/master_of_science_in_information_security

Attached to this letter you will find information about the main activities this fall (seminar, exams, optional preparatory courses etc.) and some information about spring semester too.

Preparatory Mathematics Course

Significant parts of the curriculum for the master's program in Information Security require familiarity with basic elements of discrete mathematics and probability theory.

To ensure that all students can start the program on an equal fundament regardless of their previous exposure to these areas or to become re-acquainted with the material after a prolonged hiatus, a preparatory course in mathematics will be held during the first week of the semester (starting Monday, August 17th at 08.00).

The topics that will be covered are:

- Introduction to number theory
- Basic abstract algebra
- Basic probability theory

Please note that while the courses are optional, it is nevertheless highly recommended if you are not certain that you are sufficiently proficient in these areas. *Registration (hildeb@hig.no) is necessary!*

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact me on my e-mail address slobodanp@hig.no or graduate assistant Hilde Bakke hildeb@hig.no (93213254/61135223).

Yours sincerely

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Head of the master's program in Information Security

Some details about on-line registration / Studentweb:

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*You will get information about student web & semester registration in separate letters from GUC/HiG. **Please follow the instructions and register for the next semester on-line!** This gives you access to Fronter in general, and certain Fronter-rooms for autumn courses (will be open for students from the beginning of August).*

MIS Management or Technology:

*You are already registered as full-time or part-time (3 years study program) depending on your own application. In Studentweb you have to choose the track (Management or Technology). We want you to choose that even if you are not quite sure! This gives you access to more information on-line!
Changes can be done later!*

– Changes are possible during the start seminar and within Sept 15. Change from full-time to part-time or vice versa, change of track, and change of the part-time plan (4-years plan or individual changes), - to be accepted by Head of the master program.