**MSSI Capstone Project Agreement**

**Johns Hopkins University**

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| *Student Name(s)* | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Only one form needed from each team) |
|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(No more than **3** students in one team) |
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| *Faculty Mentor* | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| *Other Personnel* | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Please specify the role of each person) |
| *Project Start Date* | \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ (At least 2 months before completion date) |
| *Intended Completion Date* | \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ (Annual deadlines are approx. e.g., 8/20,12/15, 5/10) |

The student(s) must submit this signed form and the final version (both hard and electronic copies) of the MSSI capstone project report to the Information Security Institute by the completion date. In addition, any code or data produced should be carefully documented and turned in to the faculty mentor/academic advisor by the completion date.

A project report is typically about 25 pages single-spaced, not including the cover page, table of contents, references, figures, tables, etc. Where appropriate, it may take the form of a single-author or multiple-author paper about the work (written for submission to a conference or journal), augmented by the student with further details as needed.

Research is open-ended, so the direction may change, within reason. To fulfill the MSSI degree requirement, the amount of work contributed by the student should be equivalent to the total workload of about two 400 or higher level courses.

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| *Proposed Title* | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| *Project Description* |  |
| *Materials to be produced (papers, code, data, experiments, etc.)* |  |

**Agreement by student (to be signed at the start of the research):**

The opportunity to work with other researchers is a privilege. I understand that this project should be my top academic priority, both out of consideration for my supervisor and faculty mentor’s time and because others may be depending on my results.   
  
I agree to keep my supervisor apprised of my progress throughout the project, via regular updates or another agreed-upon mechanism.

I will submit a well-written report or thesis and properly documented supporting materials to my supervisor at least **2** weeks before the completion date. I understand that my supervisor may request changes or additions before approving the project, or may decline to approve it, which could affect my ability to graduate.

Student signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Approval by faculty mentor (to be signed upon completion of the research):**

I certify that the capstone project entitled \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been satisfactorily completed by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and that it fulfills one of the requirements of the MSSI degree.

Faculty Mentor signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Updated January 25, 2014*