

Diana L. Burley, Ph.D.
Professional Biography

Diana L. Burley, Ph.D. is Vice Provost for Research at American University (AU) where she is also Professor of Public Administration and Policy in the School of Public Affairs and Professor of Information Technology & Analytics in the Kogod School of Business. Named one of SC Magazine's Eight Women in IT Security to Watch and the SC Magazine ReBoot awardee for educational leadership in IT security in 2017, Dr. Burley is a cybersecurity expert who regularly advises executives across North America, Asia, Europe and the Middle East on managing cybersecurity risk, assessing the threat environment, and strengthening organizational cybersecurity posture.

She has testified before Congress, is a member of the US National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine Board on Human-Systems Integration, the Education Council of the Association for Computing Machinery, and an affiliated researcher with the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. Prior to AU, Dr. Burley was a professor at George Washington University where she directed the Institute for Information Infrastructure Protection (I3P) – a 26-member national consortium dedicated to strengthening the cyber infrastructure of the United States. She led the Cyber Corps program and managed a multi-million-dollar computer science education and research portfolio for the US National Science Foundation, and has written nearly 100 publications on cybersecurity, information sharing, and IT-enabled change; including her 2014 co-authored book “Enterprise Software Security: A Confluence of Disciplines.”

Honors include: 2016 Woman of Influence by the Executive Women's Forum in Information Security, Risk Management and Privacy; the 2014 Cybersecurity Educator of the Year; and a 2014 Top Ten Influencer in information security careers. She is the sole recipient of both educator of the year and government leader of the year awards from the Colloquium for Information Systems Security Education and has been honored by the U.S. Federal CIO Council for her work on developing the federal cyber security workforce.

She holds a BA in Economics from the Catholic University of America; M.S. in Public Management and Policy, M.S. in Organization Science, and Ph.D. in Organization Science and Information Technology from Carnegie Mellon University where she studied as a Woodrow Wilson Foundation Fellow.

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