Vulnerabilities Across Campus Groups

| Persons of interest | Personnel Examples | Information Types Provided | <u>Unique Vulnerabilities</u> | Shared Vulnerabilities |
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| Expertise: Individuals with expertise in fields or research on projects that have implications or direct applications for military or economic advantage | PIs Other project personnel Faculty members Graduate students Research partnerships/private industry partners | - Information concerning specific project - Service or assistance - Inadvertent "clues" about funded projects or research findings - Access or clues concerning obtaining access | - Eager to talk about research - Regularly receive unsolicited contacts - Collaboration valued and often requested - Frequent travel to present research | - Face limited: Salaries or Funding Opportunities Time Understanding of Threat Situational Awareness - Desire to feel: Important Respected Fulfilled Engaged Challenged Connected - Unaware of personal vulnerabilities and methods of exploitation - Disinclined to adopt "zero trust" mentality. |
| Access: Individuals with privileged access to high-value or sensitive areas or items (labs, equipment, materials, substances, hard/software) | Pls, project personnel, grad/undergrad students Facility Security Officers or managers Administrative staff Information Systems staff Cleaning crews | Insider knowledge of access to spaces, items, persons Insights to types of activities occurring in location Understanding of work schedules and daily routines | May become desensitized to security protocols due to everyday access Hard to spot suspicious "insider threat" activities from legitimate, routine ones | |
| Oversight: Individuals with extensive knowledge of university projects and operations and having influence to make or impact institutional policy. | Executive policy-makers Department Heads and Deans Empowered Officials Technology Transfer Compliance personnel Information Security Officer | Broader, more cohesive understanding of various activities occurring across campus Position and power to influence institutional policies and uppermanagement connections | - Focused on increasing research profile rather than risk profile - More likely to advocate for or support foreign collaborations to improve university prestige - Susceptible to appeals to ego | |
| Support: Individuals with insider knowledge about university employees and/or business functions. | Human Resources Administrative Assistants Student and Scholar Services Financial Aid | Private personnel information (salary, resumes, visas, medical records, conflicts of interest, etc.) Faculty coursework, schedules, contacts, etc. | Able to 'fly under the radar' and avoid scrutiny of actions or behavior. More likely to become disgruntled with lack of appreciation or recognition. | |

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