DoD CYBER SERVICE ACADEMY RECRUITMENT PROGRAM

The Department of Defense (DoD) Cyber Service Academy (CSA) **recruitment program** provides scholarships to college students (non-DoD civilians) at the undergraduate and graduate levels to study in cyber-related majors at select National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (NCAE-C).

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

- **Undergraduate:** (required 3.2 GPA out of 4.0)
  - *Second year of associate degree*
  - *Rising Junior or Senior pursuing a bachelor's degree*

- **Graduate:** (required 3.5 GPA out of 4.0)
  - *Master's*
  - *PhD/Doctorate*

- U.S. citizen able to qualify for a security clearance

- Currently not a full-time, permanent DoD, Federal Employee, or Active duty military

- Enrolled in a full-time cyber program at a designated NCAE-C (https://www.caecommunity.org/cae-map)

- Pursuing a course of study and/or have a declared major in one of the scientific, technical, or managerial disciplines related to cyber or have a concentration in cyber

- Have at least one full academic year remaining in degree program

- Maintain flexibility to move within the continental U.S. to perform internships and final service obligations

- Currently unencumbered to another program with a required service obligation

DoD CSA PROVIDES

- Full tuition and required fees (which may include institutional health care programs)

- Books / Supplies / Security Certification allowance

- One-time laptop/computer purchase

- Stipend to cover room and board
  - *$25,000 for community college*
  - *$29,000 for undergraduate students*
  - *$32,000 for graduate students*

WHY DoD CSA

- Provides students the opportunity to learn first-hand and contribute to securing our nation against the threat of information systems and networks

- Affords the opportunity for consideration for full-time employment after graduation and completion of the program

- Receive progressive, hands-on experience through structured internships with select DoD Components during academic breaks

IMPORTANT DATES

- **November 1, 2024**
  Application process opens

- **February 1, 2025**
  Deadline for application submissions

- **April 5, 2025**
  Final student selection process occurs

- **April 14, 2025**
  Final announcement of scholarship offers will occur

MORE INFO

LEARN MORE AT:
https://www.dodemergingtech.com/dod-programs/cyber-service-academy-csa/

QUESTIONS?
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