

# DoD Cyber Service Academy (CSA)

The Cyber Service Academy (CSA) scholarship is funded by the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD). Rising juniors, seniors, and graduate students who are U.S. citizens, studying cybersecurity within their major, are eligible to apply. The scholarship pays the full cost of your education (all tuition and fees) plus a \$29,000 stipend per year for undergraduates (\$34,000 per year for graduate students). In return, recipients work as a civilian for the DoD, in a paid cybersecurity position, for the same number of years for which their education was funded. Following that period of service, recipients are free to leave or remain in the DoD. Recipients also serve the DoD in a paid summer internship between academic years. More information is at <https://wp.wpi.edu/cybersecurity/scholarships/>.

**Website**

[Cyber Service Academy  
\(DoD CSA\) - DoD](#)

**Academic Level**

Undergraduate  
Graduate

**Application Deadline**

February

**Nomination Required**

No

**Citizen Status**

U.S. Citizen

**Field(s) of Study**

STEM

## Eligibility Requirements

- Focusing on cybersecurity in their undergraduate or graduate program
- Majors Include:
  - CS
  - ECE
  - DS
  - Math
- Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors, and Graduate Students
- Able to show strong evidence of their ability to obtain a security clearance
- Service Obligation: CSA recipients agree to work for DoD and are given a job at a DoD agency, placement is not guaranteed. After graduating, recipients work for DoD for the same number of years for which they were funded (e.g., a two-year scholarship = two

years of required DoD employment)

For more information on the DoD CSA Scholarship, please contact Beckley Schowalter at [bwschowalter@wpi.edu](mailto:bwschowalter@wpi.edu)

## **Application Materials**

- Resume
- Two References, at least one from a faculty member
- Transcripts
- Statement of Interest
- Student Release Form