



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COLLEGE  
WASHINGTON DC 20319-5066

January 30, 2014

Chancellor

Mr. Jim Ermatinger  
Dean of the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences  
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Springfield, IL 62703

Dear Mr. Ermatinger:

Enclosed is a signed copy of the memorandum of understanding between the National Defense University's Information Resources Management College (NDU iCollege) and The University of Illinois at Springfield.

I am pleased that we have developed this renewal agreement and look forward to working with you. If you should need assistance or further information, please contact Ms. Patty Coopersmith at 202-685-2117 or [coopersmithp@ndu.edu](mailto:coopersmithp@ndu.edu).

Sincerely,

*Mary S. McCully*  
Mary McCully  
Chancellor (Acting)

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as

CF: Mr. Ted Mims

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Between

The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois  
on behalf of the University of Illinois at Springfield  
Computer Science Department  
Springfield, IL  
and  
National Defense University  
Information Resources Management College  
Washington, D.C.

**This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made by and between The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois on behalf of the Computer Science Department at the University of Illinois at Springfield (UIS) and the National Defense University Information Resources Management College (NDU iCollege).**

1. **PURPOSE:** Both parties wish to enter into this understanding to provide extended academic opportunities to their respective students and faculty. It is understood that the purpose of the MOU between University of Illinois at Springfield and the NDU iCollege include: strengthening the quality and breadth of academic programs at both institutions; promoting an educational environment where faculty and graduate students from both institutions can learn from one another through sharing of information and knowledge; leveraging the strengths and resources of programs at both institutions.
2. **BACKGROUND:** The NDU iCollege (formerly known as the IRM College or IRMC) has been entering into MOUs with academic institutions for approximately 15 years, with the goal of transferring academic credits for NDU iCollege graduates into selected programs at graduate schools across the U.S. When the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) began the Information Assurance Scholarship Program (IASP) in 2001, the need for academic partnerships supporting Masters and Doctoral programs related to IA became necessary. The NDU iCollege continues to form academic partnerships, related to credit transfer, to support the DoD in the area of IA education.  
  
This is a renewal of an existing MOU. Signing this MOU will allow students who graduate from the NDU iCollege to transfer graduate-level course credits into selected graduate programs within University of Illinois at Springfield. The NDU iCollege will provide the manpower to help draft and review this MOU, including renewal when applicable.
3. **OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE:** This MOU applies to the NDU iCollege and to the above-stated department within the Computer Science Department within the University of Illinois at Springfield. The expectations from this MOU include attracting more qualified students into information leadership, or a related information-management field.
4. **REFERENCES AND DEFINITIONS:** Chapter 112, Title 10, United States Code, authorizes the DoD Information Assurance Scholarship Program (IASP). This scholarship program is only applicable to the MOU for schools that are recognized as National Centers of Academic Excellence (CAEs) in Information Assurance Education. Only CAE schools may partner for credit transfer for NDU iCollege IA Certificate Program (IA4011, 4012, 4015, 4016, and CISO). Non-CAE schools may partner in other certificate areas. Since University of Illinois at Springfield is a CAE, they may partner with the NDU iCollege in the area of IA.
5. **SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES/AUTHORITY:** The NDU iCollege and University of Illinois at Springfield designate the person(s) set forth in Section 6 as their respective representatives to coordinate

and manage the activities under this MOU. The representatives shall meet as needed to discuss the programs, changes to programs, and any other topics of interest to either party.

Each party in this MOU retains full authority over and reserves the right to make changes in their respective courses, programs, and credential requirements. Each party shall publicize this MOU and programs mentioned herein in academic materials as appropriate and shall brief students as appropriate. Neither party shall use the name or logo of the other party without the prior approval of the other party.

Within University of Illinois at Springfield, the Computer Science Department is interested in accepting NDU iCollege graduates into its Masters and/or Doctoral programs. University of Illinois at Springfield is willing to accept:

In the Cyber-Security\* (Cyber-S) Program (formerly the Information Assurance Program)

- **9 graduate credit hours of transfer credit for students who complete the Information Assurance (IA) 4011 Certificate**

**OR**

- **12 graduate credit hours of transfer credit for students who complete both the IA 4011 and 4012 Certificates**

for NDU iCollege graduates who apply and are admitted to the Master of Science in Computer Science degree program at the University of Illinois at Springfield.

After NDU iCollege graduates have completed the above-named certificate program(s) at the NDU iCollege, and have satisfactorily fulfilled the remaining University of Illinois at Springfield requirements for a Master of Science degree in Computer Science, including the University of Illinois at Springfield courses as specified in Appendix A of this MOU, the following degree may be awarded from University of Illinois at Springfield: Master of Science in Computer Science.

Each institution agrees that NDU iCollege student(s) enrolled at University of Illinois at Springfield under this MOU will be subject to all University of Illinois at Springfield rules and policies governing the degree award, including maintenance of satisfactory performance, and completion of the remaining credit hours inherent to the student's specific degree program.

6. **COORDINATION CONTACTS:** The following persons will serve as points of contact at University of Illinois at Springfield and at the NDU iCollege, and will communicate mainly by email and phone:

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## 7. RESOURCES:

- a. **Funding:** No funding will change hands as part of this MOU.
- b. **Manpower:** The NDU iCollege will assign one individual, the POC listed above, to coordinate this MOU. University of Illinois at Springfield may assign as many persons as needed.
- c. **Workload:** The NDU iCollege projects approximately 4-8 hours/year to staff this MOU.
- d. **Other Support:** An occasional event at the NDU iCollege may require the use of NDU conference rooms and projection equipment. Other support includes the NDU computer and regular office supplies used by the NDU iCollege POC.

8. **EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION:** This MOU will be effective from the date of signing and will have a duration of three years. Upon expiration of the three years, the MOU will be subject to renewal. Additions and changes to this MOU may be made at any time with the written agreement of both University of Illinois at Springfield and NDU iCollege. Either party may withdraw from this understanding upon 60 days written notice to the other institution. Termination must be from the approving officials or their designated personnel.

9. **APPROVAL:** All parties identified below agree to the provisions and terms of this MOU.

**APPROVED:**

National Defense University (NDU)  
NDU iCollege

Name: Dr. John W. Yaeger

Title: Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

Signature: 

Date: 14 JAN 14

Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois

By: Walter K. Knorr  
Comptroller

Printed Name: Walter K. Knorr

Date: 12/4/13

Approved:

Jim Ermatinger  
Dean of the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Printed Name: Jim Ermatinger

Date: 12-3-13

Approved as to Form:

For Counsel