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From: President, Naval Postgraduate School
Subj: Naval Postgraduate School; Department of Systems Engineering, [PhD in SE Resident-Hybrid](#) program tuition.
Ref: (a) DOD 7000.14R (Financial Management Regulation) Volume 11A

1. Effective Academic Year 2013, the tuition price for our [PhD in Systems Engineering](#) is \$1250 a credit hour for coursework (min of 16 credits per year) or \$5000 per 4 unit course and \$1000 a credit hour for dissertation research (min of 12 credits) or \$4000 per 4 unit course. The program is open to qualified federal civilians and military officers. *Qualified active duty Naval and Marine Corps officers may be enrolled tuition free.*

Each PhD candidate will have a tailored course of study but a typical part-time candidate will need to take a minimum of 48 total credits (3 years at one course a quarter or 1.5 years at two courses a quarter) above the masters level and a minimum of 12 credits of dissertation research (typically 2 years with 24 total credits dependent on candidate dedicated time to research). The total tuition for a typical part-time student taking either 1 course per quarter or 2 courses per quarter followed by 2 years of dissertation research is \$84,000. Payment schedules for either option are provided below. Time requirements will vary depending on the actual candidate course load.

Candidates are required to meet a resident requirement of 2 weeks per quarter either on the NPS campus or at an approved NPS embedded faculty location (currently NAS Patuxent River, National Capital Region, Greater San Diego area). Other arrangements may be possible and will be explored during the candidate application process and academic review.

Tuition is payable by Fiscal Year, either in full or quarterly installments or as negotiated with the program manager. Tuition does not include textbooks or student travel/per diem. Courses will be delivered in various means which include but are not limited to the Internet either by ELLUMINATE LIVE, a web-conferencing tool or asynchronously ONLINE using NPS' SAKAI course management system. To participate, students and/or local commands need high speed Internet access, a PC microphone and PC camera (optional). ELLUMINATE LIVE requires no special software and is compatible with NMCI.

A. One course per quarter payment schedule:

PhD Coursework (all 4 unit courses)	Price Gov/Mil	Payment Due Dates
First Academic Year Total (AY13):	\$20.0K	
Entire year tuition (4 courses):	\$20.0K	01Oct12
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY13 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Oct12 (01Jul 12 if using FY12 funds)
Winter AY13 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Nov12
Spring AY13 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Feb13
Summer AY13 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01May13
Second Academic Year Total (AY14):	\$20.0K	
Entire year tuition (4 courses):	\$20.0K	01Oct13
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY14 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Oct13 (01Jul 13 if using FY13 funds)
Winter AY14 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Nov13
Spring AY14 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Feb14
Summer AY14 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01May14
Third Academic Year Total (AY15):	\$20.0K	
Entire year tuition (4 courses):	\$20.0K	01Oct14
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY15 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Oct14 (01Jul 14 if using FY14 funds)
Winter AY15 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Nov14
Spring AY15 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01Feb15
Summer AY15 (1 course):	\$5.0K	01May15

PhD Dissertation Research (all 4 unit courses)

Fourth Academic Year Total (AY16):	\$16.0K	
Entire year tuition (4 courses):	\$16.0K	01October 15
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY16 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Oct15 (01Jul 15 if using FY15 funds)
Winter AY16 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Nov15
Spring AY16 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Feb16
Summer AY16 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01May16

Fifth Academic Year Total (AY17):	\$8.0K	
Entire year tuition (2 courses):	\$16.0K	01Oct16
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY17 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Oct16(01Jul 16 if using FY16 funds)
Winter AY17 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Nov16

Note: Additional research courses will be taken in succeeding quarters until the dissertation is complete.

B. Two course per quarter payment schedule:

PhD Coursework (all 4 unit courses)	Price Gov/Mil	Payment Due Dates
First Academic Year Total (AY13):	\$40.0K	
Entire year tuition (8 courses):	\$40.0K	01Oct12
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY13 (2 courses):	\$10.0K	01Oct12 (01Jul 12 if using FY12 funds)
Winter AY13 (2 courses):	\$10.0K	01Nov12
Spring AY13 (2 courses):	\$10.0K	01Feb13
Summer AY13 (2courses):	\$10.0K	01May13

Second Academic Year Total (AY14):	\$20.0K	
Entire year tuition (4 courses):	\$20.0K	01Oct13
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY14 (2 courses):	\$10.0K	01Oct13 (01Jul 13 if using FY13 funds)
Winter AY14 (2 courses):	\$10.0K	01Nov13

PhD Dissertation Research (all 4 unit courses)

Third Academic Year Total (AY14):	\$8.0K	
Entire year tuition (2 courses):	\$8.0K	01Oct13
or quarterly installments:		
Spring AY14 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Feb14
Summer AY14 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01May14

Fourth Academic Year Total (AY15):	\$16.0K	
Entire year tuition (2 courses):	\$16.0K	01Oct14
or quarterly installments:		
Fall AY15 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Oct14 (01Jul 14 if using FY14 funds)
Winter AY15 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Nov14
Spring AY15 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01Feb15
Summer AY15 (1 course):	\$4.0K	01May15

Note: Additional research courses will be taken in succeeding quarters until the dissertation is complete.

2. Funding documents issued to the Naval Postgraduate School should be addressed to President, Code 21, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA 93943 and must be in accordance with reference (a). Funding documents should also be emailed in advance to CED3Bursar@nps.edu or faxed to (831) 656-3409. The funding documents should also state **PhD in Systems Engineering** degree program and list the technical contact as Dr. Wally Owen (636) 925-2982, wowen@nps.edu and the financial contact as Ms. Mary Anne Egan (831) 656-3950, CED3Bursar@nps.edu. The funding document should also state the student's name(s) and the type of installment (first year/second year). Expiration date for all funding documents should be 30 September unless otherwise negotiated with Dr. Wally Owen.

3. For instruction of fall quarters that begin in September, US government activities using appropriated funds can pay for that quarter as an "Economy Act" with previous FY dollars since the course is non-severable. For this to occur, the funding document must annotate in the text an expiration date of 31 December so that the funds can be deposited in an appropriate FY rollover account. All other payments can be issued as an "Economy Act" with an expiration date of 30 September.
4. The tuition price per course is established each fiscal year by NPS and is based on a distance learning cost model. To the maximum extent possible prices will remain consistent. Prices will not change within any particular fiscal year but may change from year to year. If you have any further questions about pricing and payment information, please call Dr. Wally Owen, program manager at (636) 925-2982.