The DoD CySP & DoD CDSA 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**
- Student within the following categories:
  - 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 National Center of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity (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

**MORE INFO**
Learn more at https://www.dodemergingtech.com/cyber-scholarship-program-cysp/
Questions?
- Contact the DoD CySP Program Office at: AskCySP@nsa.gov

**DoD CySP PROVIDES**
- Full tuition and required fees (which may include institutional health care programs)
- Required books from the required institution- or degree-specific book list
- One-time laptop/computer purchase
- Stipend to cover room and board
  - $25,000 for community college students
  - $29,000 for undergraduate students
  - $34,000 for graduate (master’s/Ph.D. students

**WHY DoD CySP**
- 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, 2023
  - Application process opens
- February 1, 2024
  - Deadline for application submissions
- April 5, 2024
  - Final student selection process occurs
- April 14, 2024
  - Final announcement of scholarship offers will occur