The Defense Security Service (DSS) is the security community functional manager for Department of Defense (DoD) security education, training, and certification

The security community consists of security personnel and positions throughout DoD and worldwide
MISSION

Provide the Department of Defense (DoD) with a security center of excellence for the professionalization of the security community and be the premier provider of security education and training for the DoD and industry under the National Industrial Security Program (NISP). The CDSE provides development, delivery, and exchange of security knowledge to ensure a high-performing workforce capable of addressing our nation’s security challenges.

CERTIFICATION
VALIDATING SECURITY PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

EDUCATION
DEVELOPING FUTURE SECURITY LEADERS

TRAINING
SUPPORTING TODAY’S SECURITY PROFESSIONALS AND PROVIDING AWARENESS TO ALL
1972: DoD Security Institute (DoDSI)
- DoDSI chartered to execute security program training mission

- Defense Security Service (DSS) created the PSITG to train DSS Special Agents to conduct background investigations

1997/98: DSS Training Office
- DoDSI closed; training mission transferred to DSS

2000: DSS Academy (DSSA)
- DSS established DSS Academy in Linthicum, Maryland

2003: COE Accredited
- CDSE accredited by the Council on Occupational Education

2006: DS3
- DoD Security Skill Standards (DS3) published

2007: DoDI 3305.13
- Policy, standards, and procedures established for DoD security training
  - DSS Director assigned as functional manager
  - Security Professional Education Development (SPeD) program established as the DoD-level security education, training, and certification program

2008: DSS Study
- Focused on reinvigorating SETA, DoD Security Training Council (DSTC) established as the advisory board on DoD security training

2010: DSS Director Memo
- Established CDSE

2011: DoD 3305.13-M
- Established SPeD Certification Program Policy

2012: SFPC Accredited
- Security Fundamentals Professional Certification (SFPC) accredited by NCCA in December 2012

2013: DoD 3305.13
- Instruction updated to clearly define functional manager responsibility to include security education, training, and certification

2014: SAPPC Accredited
- Security Asset Protection Professional Certification (SAPPC) accredited by NCCA in January 2014

2015: SPIPC Accredited
- Security Program Integration Professional Certification (SPIPC) accredited by NCCA in February 2015

2016: PSC Accredited
- Physical Security Certification (PSC) accredited by NCCA in August 2016

1999: DoDD 5105.42
- DSS officially delegated security program training mission
  - USD(I) given authority, direction, and control of DSS
  - DSS Director signed DSSA charter
### Professionalize

- **Education**: Develop future security leaders
- **Training**: Support today’s security practitioners
- **Certification**: Validate security professional achievement of skills and competencies

### Support

- **DoD Functional Community Manager for Security Training**
  - Responsibilities outlined in:
    - DoDD 5105.42
    - DoDI 3305.13
    - DoDM 3305.13-M
  - Defense Intelligence Enterprise Human Capital Strategic Plan
  - ICD 610
  - DoD Security Skill Standards (DS3)

### Audience

- DoD civilian and military personnel
- Industry
- Other U.S. Government personnel
- Employees of foreign governments

### Products and Services

- eLearning Courses
- Instructor-led Courses
- Asynchronous Collaborative Learning
- Webinars
- Toolkits
- Shorts (Security Short Format Learning)
- Job Aids
- Security Professional Education Development (SPēD) Certification Program
# Education

## SEVENTEEN COLLEGIATE-LEVEL SECURITY COURSES

- Unique curriculum designed specifically to develop future security leaders
- Delivered as Virtual Instructor-led
- Highly qualified SME instructors
- ACE Credit recommendations allow students to transfer credit
- Pursuing authority to grant Masters degree in Security

## EDUCATION CERTIFICATES

- Attained by successfully completing four Education courses
- Students can register for Certificates at any time via their STEPP account

## AUDIENCE

- U.S. Government civilians
- Military personnel
### CONTENT AREAS

- Counterintelligence
- Cybersecurity
- General Security
- Industrial Security
- Information Security
- Insider Threat
- Operations Security
- Personnel Security
- Physical Security
- Special Access Programs

### DRIVERS

- Policy
- DoD Security Skill Standards
- World Events

### DELIVERY METHODS

- Instructor-led
- eLearning
- Virtual Instructor-led
- Toolkits
- Job Aids
- Webinars
- Shorts
Certification

CORE CERTIFICATIONS

- **SFPC**: Security Fundamentals Professional Certification
- **SAPPC**: Security Asset Protection Professional Certification
- **SPIPC**: Security Program Integration Professional Certification

SPECIALTY CERTIFICATIONS AND CREDENTIAL

- **APC**: Adjudicator Professional Certification
- **DPAPC**: Due Process Adjudicator Professional Credential
- **PSC**: Physical Security Certification
- **ISOC**: Industrial Security Oversight Certification
- **SPSC**: Special Program Security Certification

CERTIFICATION BENEFITS

- Demonstrates success and mastery of knowledge, skills, and abilities by a security professional
- Provides a recognized credential for security professionals
- Provides a common set of standards to measure requirements for a position
- Supports seamless transfer of security professionals among DoD Components and Agencies
- Facilitates interoperability among DoD security practitioners

Accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies
Lessons Learned

- Best practices:
  - Process Driven
  - Identify Pillars of Certification:
    - Technical
    - Program Management Office
    - Governance

- One Step at a Time

- Plan for Effort to Maintain

- By, With, For the Community
Questions?