

COLLEGE OF INFORMATION AND CYBERSPACE PROGRAM COMPARISON

	Certificates	Part-Time Degree	Leadership Development Program (LDP)	Joint Professional Military Education (JMPE)
Program(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chief Data Officer (CDO) 2. Chief Information Officer (CIO) 3. Chief Financial Officer (CFO) 4. Cyber Leadership (CYBER-L) 5. Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) 	Strategic Information and Cyberspace Studies (SICS)	Chief Information Officer Leadership Development Program (CIO-LDP) or Cyber Leadership Development Program (Cyber LDP)	Strategic Information and Cyberspace Studies (SICS)
Awarded	Graduate Certificate	Master of Science Degree	Graduate Certificate	Master of Science Degree
Number of Courses	5 courses/certificate	12 courses (9 core, 3 electives)	5 courses	12 courses (9 core, 3 electives)
Course Enrollment	Students enroll in courses in their desired format at their own pace. They can take up to 2 courses a semester. Must take at least 1 course every 365 days to remain enrolled.	Students enroll in courses in their desired format at their own pace. They can take up to 2 courses a semester. Must take at least 1 course every 365 days to remain enrolled.	Students are enrolled in a set curriculum.	Students are enrolled in a set core curriculum but will have the option to enroll in the electives of their choice.
Format(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hybrid (4 weeks virtual, 1-week resident seminar) 2. Distance Learning (12 weeks virtual) <p>Courses are offered: <u>Fall:</u> September – December <u>Spring:</u> January – March <u>Summer:</u> April - July</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hybrid (4 weeks virtual, 1-week resident seminar) 2. Distance Learning (12 weeks virtual) <p>Courses are offered: <u>Fall:</u> September – December <u>Spring:</u> January – March <u>Summer:</u> April - July</p>	Full Time In-Resident	Full Time In-Resident

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Format Explanation	All program courses are offered in both formats and the student has the flexibility to enroll in either format or a mix of both.	All program courses are offered in both formats and the student has the flexibility to enroll in either format or a mix of both.	N/A	N/A
Duration	<u>Fastest completion:</u> 3 semesters <u>Time Limit:</u> 4 years	<u>Fastest completion:</u> 6 semesters <u>Time Limit:</u> 5 years	14 weeks	10 months
Cost	<u>DoD Civilian:</u> \$0 <u>Non-DoD Civilian:</u> \$1,100/course <u>Private Sector:</u> \$2,200/course	<u>DoD Civilian:</u> \$0 <u>Non-DoD Civilian:</u> \$1,100/course <u>Private Sector:</u> \$2,200/course	<u>DoD Civilian:</u> \$0 <u>Non-DoD Civilian:</u> \$10,750 <u>Private Sector:</u> \$16,900	N/A
Minimum Eligibility Criteria	<u>Government Affiliation:</u> Federal government civilians, military officers, non-federal government employees (state and local), and private sector employees in a field relevant to CIC curriculum <u>Education:</u> Bachelor's degree w/ minimum GPA 3.0 <u>Pay Grade/Rank:</u> GS-13/E-7/CW3/O-4 equivalent or above.	<u>Government Affiliation:</u> Federal government civilians, military officers, non-federal government employees (state and local), and private sector employees in a field relevant to CIC curriculum <u>Education:</u> Bachelor's degree w/ minimum GPA 3.0 <u>Pay Grade/Rank:</u> GS-13/E-7/CW3/O-4 equivalent or above.	<u>Government Affiliation:</u> Federal government civilians, military officers, non-federal government employees (state and local), and private sector employees in a field relevant to CIC curriculum <u>Education:</u> Bachelor's degree w/ minimum GPA 3.0 <u>Pay Grade/Rank:</u> GS-13/E-7/CW3/O-4 equivalent or above.	<u>Government Affiliation:</u> Federal government civilians, military officers, non-federal government employees (state and local), and private sector employees in a field relevant to CIC curriculum <u>Pay Grade/Rank:</u> Civil Service pay grade of GS-13 or officer rank of O-5/O-6 <u>Security Clearance:</u> Active TS/SCI through program graduation <u>Senior Service College Nominees:</u> JPME Phase I credit or equivalent received.

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Admissions	Self-Nomination	Self-Nomination	Self-Nomination	Nominated through student's home Service or Agency. Contact the NDU Registrar for more information.
Required Application Documents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application Form 2. Resume 3. CIC Employment Verification & Recommendation Form 4. Official Undergraduate Transcripts 5. Official Graduate Transcripts (if applicable) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application Form 2. Resume 3. CIC Employment Verification & Recommendation Form 4. Professional Letter of Recommendation 5. Writing Sample 6. Official Undergraduate Transcripts 7. Official Graduate Transcripts (if applicable) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application Form 2. Resume 3. CIC Employment Verification & Recommendation Form 4. Professional Letter of Recommendation 5. Writing Sample 6. Official Undergraduate Transcripts 7. Official Graduate Transcripts (if applicable) 	Contact the NDU Registrar for more information.
Admissions Calendar	Defined Admissions Admissions windows are determined by the program dates. View the CIC Admissions Calendar for more information.	Defined Admissions Admissions windows are determined by the program dates. View the CIC Admissions Calendar for more information.	Defined Admissions Admissions windows are determined by the program dates. View the CIC Admissions Calendar for more information.	Contact the NDU Registrar for more information.

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CIC WEBSITE: <https://cic.ndu.edu/>

CIC ACADEMIC CATALOG: <https://cic.ndu.edu/catalog/>

CIC ADMISSIONS CALENDAR: <https://cic.ndu.edu/Students/Admissions/>

CIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: <https://cic.ndu.edu/Admissions/Eligibility-Requirements/>

CIC APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: <https://cic.ndu.edu/Admissions/Application-Instructions/>

APPLY ONLINE: <https://cic.ndu.edu/Admissions/Apply-Online/>

NDU REGISTRAR WEBSITE: <https://www.ndu.edu/Academics/Registrar/>

PHONE: 202-685-2128

EMAIL: university-registrar@ndu.edu

Questions?

If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please contact the Office of Student Services Monday through Friday between 7:00 and 15:00 at CICOSS@ndu.edu or 202-685-6300.