

CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



The National Defense University (NDU) College of Information and Cyberspace (CIC) Chief Information Officer Leadership Development Program (CIO LDP, or LDP for short) is the College's flagship resident program for rising senior-level managers and leaders responsible for promoting and attaining national and international security goals through the strategic use of information and information technology as identified in the CIO competencies. The CIO LDP is administered in an intensive and highly interactive fourteen week forum. The student centered educational experience emphasizes developing leadership skills and abilities while learning CIO content through completion of six courses. The leadership skills and abilities are put into practice and the learned knowledge is employed as students participate in a domestic field study. The domestic field study examines how private and public sector organizations implement CIO competencies. CIO LDP students form a learning community that fosters multiple perspectives on a wide range of issues.

The CIO LDP curriculum provides participants with the Chief Information Officer certificate and the CIO-LDP diploma as well as course work applicable toward the Master of Science in Government Information Leadership (CIO Concentration).

CIO Leadership Development Program Summary

- The program is conducted over 14 weeks in a full-time resident format at the National Defense University campus.
- The CIO LDP curriculum is based on the CIO Certificate program requirements. The courses for each program offering is comprised of a variation of the CIO Certificate classes. More information regarding CIO courses can be found on the CIC website or catalog.
- Upon completion graduates of the CIO LDP program are offered the opportunity to continue their studies at the College of Information and Cyberspace by applying their CIO Certificate towards a M.S. in Government Information Leadership.

Minimum Admissions Eligibility Criteria

- Bachelor's degree (3.0 GPA minimum)
- Civil service pay grade of GS-13 or officer rank of O-4
- Available to attend the 14 week, full-time residency in its entirety

For more information refer to the CIC website or catalog.

Successful CIO graduates will be able to:

- Leverage CIO policy and organization competencies to lead within and across federal organizational boundaries by linking critical decisions regarding resources, people, processes, and technologies to mission performance;
- Balance continuity and change in the development implementation, and evaluation of government information resources and management strategies and policies while meeting legislative and executive mandates;
- Demonstrate abilities to construct and implement mission-aligned information and communication technology strategies [including gathering, analyzing, and reporting data; making decisions; implementing decisions; and evaluating organizational performance] in an ethical manner;
- Communicate at the strategic level demonstrating command of the topic, logical organization, compelling argument, and excellence in English grammar and syntax.