

Chief Information Officer

Graduate Certificate



The National Defense University (NDU) College of Information and Cyberspace (CIC) CIO Program is the recognized leader in graduate education for Federal CIO leaders and agency personnel. It addresses the Clinger-Cohen Act and other relevant legislation mandates as well as standard practices for interpretation and implementation of these legislative actions. It also directly aligns with the Federal CIO Council-defined CIO competencies. CIO Program graduates earn a certificate that recognizes they have earned an education in Federal CIO competencies. The CIO Certificate is organized around subject areas directly related to CIO competencies identified by the Federal CIO Council.

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.

Courses Required (3 credits each):

CIC-6211	Cyber Fundamentals
CIC-6415	Strategic Information Technology Acquisition
CIC-6443	Emerging and Disruptive Technologies
CIC-6303	CIO 2.0 Roles and Responsibilities
CIC-6328	Strategic Performance and Budget Management

Important Facts:

- Tuition-Free for DoD Personnel (Military and Civilian)
- Fully Remote and Part-Time
- Self-Nominated

Minimum Admissions Eligibility

Criteria:

- Bachelor's Degree (3.0 GPA minimum).
- Federal Civil Service pay grade GS-13 equivalent or above.
- Military:
 - Enlisted: E-7 and above.
 - Chief Warrant Officer: CW3 and above.
 - Officer: O-4 and above.

For more information refer to:

Website: cic.ndu.edu

Attend our Monthly Virtual Open House for prospective students on the 4th Thursday of every month @ 1– 2pm EST

<https://us.bbcollab.com/collab/ui/session/guest/11be7f3d78e8465eaa4c96a62f143e7b>