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§240.1 Purpose.

This part implements policy, responsibilities and procedures for executing the DoD Information Assurance Scholarship Program (IASP).

§240.2 Applicability.

This part applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Combatant Commands, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities within the Department of Defense (hereafter referred to collectively as the "DoD Components"). The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marine Corps.

§ 240.3 Definitions.

The following definitions are used in this part:

CAE. A collective term that refers to both CAE/IAE and CAE-R.

CAE/IAE. An institution of higher education that has met established criteria for IA education and has been jointly designated by the Department of Homeland Security and the NSA as a national center of excellence.

CAE-R. An institution of higher education which has met established criteria for IA research and has been jointly designated by the Department of Homeland Security and the NSA as a national center of excellence.

IA. For the purpose of this part, the term "IA" includes computer security, network security, cybersecurity, cyber operations, and other relevant IT related to information assurance pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2200e.

IT. For the purpose of this part, the term "IT" refers to any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information. "IT" includes computers, ancillary equipment, software, firmware,

and similar procedures, services (including support services), and related resources.

Institution of Higher Education. For the purpose of this part and as defined in 20 U.S.C. 1001, an "institution of higher education" refers to an educational institution in any state that:

- (1) Admits as regular students only individuals who possess a certificate of graduation from a school providing secondary education, or the recognized equivalent of such a certificate;
- (2) Is legally authorized to provide a program of education beyond secondary education:
- (3) Provides an educational program that awards bachelor's degrees, or provides no less than a 2-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a degree;
- (4) Is a public or other nonprofit institution; and
- (5) Is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association, or if not so accredited, is an institution that has been granted preaccreditation status by such an agency or association that has been recognized by the Secretary of Education for $_{
 m the}$ granting preaccreditation status, and the Secretary has determined that there is satisfactory assurance that the institution will meet the accreditation standards of such an agency or association within a reasonable time.

Partner University. A CAE that has joined in academic partnership with the NDU IRMC to award master's and doctoral degrees through the DoD IASP.

Principal Investigator. The primary point of contact at each CAE, responsible for publicizing the DoD IASP to potential recruitment students and working with students during the application process. Principal investigators also serve as the primary contact for recruitment students and retention students who have transferred from the IRMC to a partner university.

Recruitment Program. The portion of the DoD IASP available to qualified non-DoD students currently enrolled or accepted for enrollment at a designated CAE. Recruitment Students. Non-DoD students currently enrolled at a designated CAE who are active participants in the DoD IASP recruitment program.

Retention Program. The portion of the DoD IASP available to full-time, active duty Service personnel and permanent civilian employees of the DoD Components.

Retention Students. Full-time active duty Service personnel and permanent civilian employees of the DoD Components who are active participants in the DoD IASP retention program.

§ 240.4 Policy.

It is DoD policy that:

- (a) The Department of Defense shall recruit, develop, and retain a highly skilled cadre of professionals to support the critical IA and information technology (IT) management, technical, digital and multimedia forensics, cyber, and infrastructure protection functions required for a secure network-centric environment.
- (b) The DoD IASP shall be used to attract new entrants to the DoD IA and IT workforce and to retain current IA and IT personnel necessary to support the DoD's diverse warfighting, business, intelligence, and enterprise information infrastructure requirements.
- (c) The academic disciplines, with concentrations in IA eligible for IASP support include, but are not limited to: biometrics, business management or administration, computer crime investigations, computer engineering, computer programming, computer science, computer systems analysis, cyber operations, cybersecurity, database administration, data management, digital and multimedia forensics, electrical engineering, electronics engineering, information security (assurance), information systems, mathematics, network management/operations, software engineering, and other similar disciplines as approved by DoD Chief Information Officer (DoD CIO).
- (d) Subject to availability of funds, the DoD may provide grants to institutions of higher education for faculty, curriculum, and infrastructure development and academic research to support the DoD IA/IT critical areas of interest.

§ 240.5 Responsibilities.

- (a) The Department of Defense Chief Information Officer (DoD CIO) shall:
- (1) Establish overall policy and guidance to conduct and administer the DoD IASP pursuant to Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Delegation of Authority and Assignment of Responsibility under section 922 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001." October 30. 2000.
- (2) Develop an annual budget recommendation to administer the DoD IASP and provide academic scholarships and grants in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2200 and 7045.
- (3) Oversee program administration and execution by the Director, National Security Agency (DIRNSA).
- (4) Chair the DoD IASP Steering Committee, established pursuant to DoD Instruction 5105.18, to oversee and provide program direction over:
 - (i) Student eligibility criteria.
- (ii) Grant and capacity building selection criteria for awards to CAEs.
- (iii) Final approval for the allocation of individual DoD IASP scholarships and grants.
- (iv) Communications and marketing plans.
- (v) DoD IASP metrics and analysis of performance results, including student and CAE/IAE feedback.
- (b) The DIRNSA, under the authority, direction, and control of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, shall:
- (1) Serve as the DoD IASP Executive Administrator to:
- (i) Implement the DoD IASP and publish in writing all of the criteria, procedures, and standards required for program implementation. Responsibilities are to:
- (A) Implement the scholarship application and selection procedures for recruitment and retention students.
- (B) Establish procedures for recruiting students to meet service obligations through employment with a DoD Component upon graduation from their academic program.
- (C) Ensure that all students' academic eligibility is maintained, service obligations are completed, and that reimbursement obligations for program disenrollment are fulfilled.