

Program of Study Validation / CAE Designation Summary

Institutions wishing to earn the **Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense (CD) Designation** for a particular program of study will apply in two parts.

Part 1: Program of Study (PoS) Validation: The process will begin with the submission of elements pertaining to the academic program of study. Elements include: curriculum, student and faculty profiles and your institutions continuous improvement plan. Institutions must successfully validate one program of study before moving on to the CAE designation application. An institution can submit multiple cyber defense programs of study validation applications (one per submission cycle).

Part 2: CAE Designation: Once one program of study has been validated, the institution may pursue a designation. To be eligible for designation, the academic institutions must hold a current regional accreditation as outlined by the Department of Education (<https://www.ed.gov/accreditation>). Institutions are restricted to one CAE-CD application per institution.

Program of Study Validation / CAE Designation Checklist

Centers of Academic Excellence (CAE) Information:

- Is your institution pursuing re-designation? Yes/No
 - If yes, please list the re-designating program name below:
- Is your institution validating an additional program of study? Yes/No
 - If yes, please list all current PoS validations below:
- Have you previously earned the Cyber Defense program of study validation / CAE designation for an institution? Yes / No

College Information:

- Institution Name:
- Name of Regional Accreditation Agency (required):
 - Institution Street Address:
 - City,
 - State, Zip:
- Is the institution you are currently affiliated with recognized as a Minority-Serving Institution (MSI)? Please select the category that applies (if any) To verify the classification, please visit: [<https://cmsi.gse.rutgers.edu/msi-directory>].

Select the relevant category:

- Alaska Native-Serving Institution (ANSI)
- Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI)
- Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI)
- Historically Black College or University (HBCU)
- Native American-Serving Nontribal Institution (NASNTI)
- Predominantly Black Institution (PBI)

- o Tribal College or University (TCU)
- o Other Minority-Serving Institution
- o Not sure/Prefer not to answer

- Name of chosen program of study (PoS):
- Department that houses the program of study:
- Program of Study type:
 - o Doctoral:
 - o Masters:
 - o Bachelors:
 - o Associates:
 - o Certificate:
 - o other:

Point of Contact (POC) Information:

- Title:
- First:
- Last:
- POC Phone:
- Alt. Phone
- POC Email (must be .edu):
- POC Mailing Address:

Secondary Point of Contact (POC) Information:

- Title:
- First:
- Last:
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- Alt. Phone
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- POC Mailing Address

President/ Provost Information:

- Title:
- First
- Last:
- Phone:
- Email:

Please indicate 'Yes', 'No', or 'Unknown' to the questions below and submit the checklist; you will be contacted with information on how to continue.

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Criteria Description	Yes	No	Unknown
Has your institution previously earned the Centers of Academic Excellence (CAE) designation in Cyber Defense?			
Have you reviewed the Program of Study (PoS) validation and CAE designation requirement documents? CAE-CD Document: https://public.cyber.mil/ncae-c/documents-library/			
Have you attended a CAE-CD workshop in the past six (6) months?			
Has your selected Program of Study been in existence for three (3) years with one (1) year of graduates?			
Have you been approved by your institutions administration to pursue the CAE-CD			

*I certify that the information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge: *Yes/No*