

COURSE DATES

Assuming COVID travel restrictions abate by spring of 2022, the following tracks for in-resident CSC courses are planned:

- **2022 Feb-Mar:** Strategic Studies, Counter-Terrorism, Maritime Security, Economics and Security
- **2022 May-Jun:** Strategic Studies, Crisis Management, Cybersecurity
- **2022 Sep-Oct:** Strategic Studies, Counter-Terrorism, Maritime Security, Economics and Security

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Micronesia	Vietnam

Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Pacific Islands Forum (PIF) Secretariats, and other International Organizations (e.g. United Nations)

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THE CENTER

DKI APCSS programs advance cooperative strategy and policy actions based on *trust, critical thinking, and shared experiences*. Programs build partner capacity by educating, connecting and empowering a *diverse, whole-of-society network of security practitioners* in order to achieve stability, security and prosperity in a Free and Open Indo-Pacific.

The Center has a strong focus on Executive Education via both resident and regional events. These academic events include courses and workshops. They are intertwined to produce a dynamic, integrated program of study, workshops and research to support the Center's mission.

STAY CONNECTED

Our website at www.apcss.org contains useful information for Fellows, alumni and others interested in our courses, publications, and what is happening in the region.

APCSSLink Portal

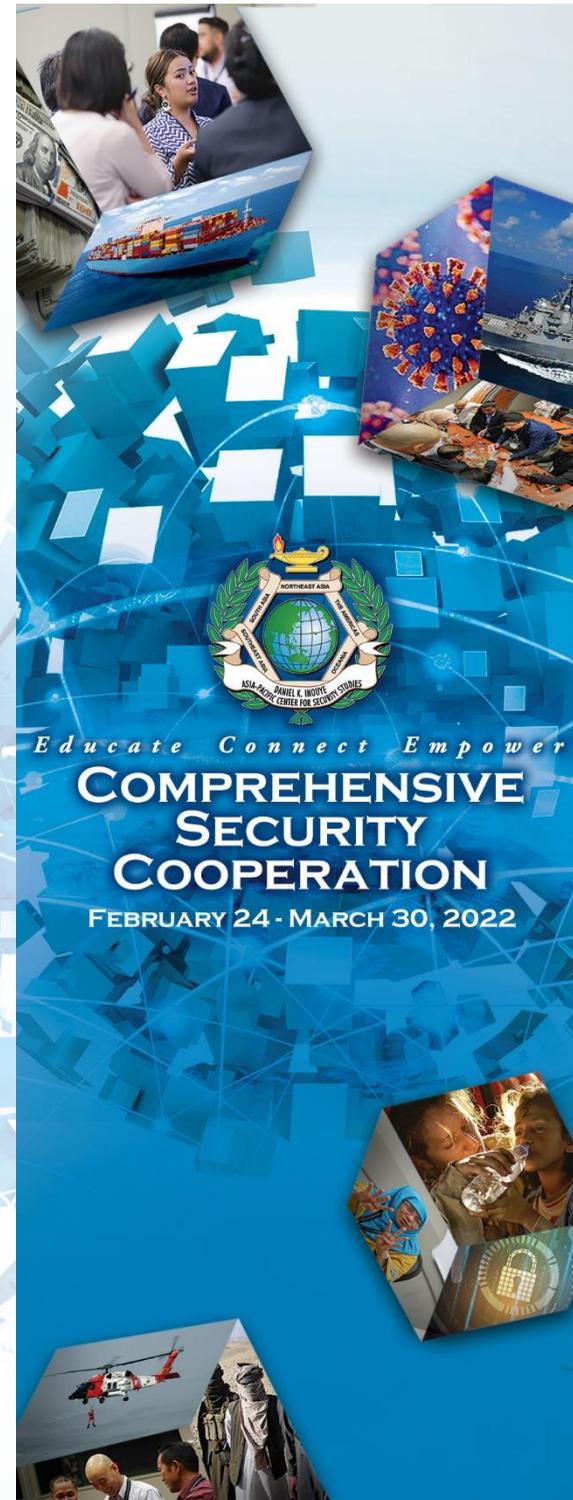
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THE COURSE

The Comprehensive Security Cooperation (CSC) course is a 5-week in-resident executive program offered three times a year for mid-level military, government and non-government professionals who intersect with the security sphere.

Fellows spend two-thirds of their time on cross-cutting complex transdisciplinary and transboundary challenges, and one-third on specialty security content that deep-dives into a variety of priority areas.

The resulting cross-talk between security professionals from different security sectors fosters understanding and the development of significant relationships and networks.

In parallel with presentations, discussions, and grey-zone exercises, Fellows assess security environments, identify disruptors, analyze threat systems, and probe governance issues while collaboratively building relationships and mutual understanding.

Throughout the course, Fellows develop resilient solutions to real organizational and even regional security issues. These complimentary processes enhance the capacity of regional allies, partners and others to comprehend and cooperatively address complex security challenges in the Indo-Pacific region thereby advancing freedom, openness, prosperity, good governance, rules-based order, and a Free and Open Indo-Pacific.

Upon successful completion of this course, you will receive a **Course Certificate** and **Alumni Status**.

Upon successful completion and implementation of your Capstone Project you may receive an additional **Specialty Security Certificate**.

COURSE GOALS

CSC aims to strengthen capacity in all Fellows with regard to the following priority areas:

1. Enhancing preparedness, crisis leadership and contingency response
2. Preserving rules-based international laws, norms and order
3. Managing stakeholders and networks
4. Investing in sovereignty, deterrence, resilience, and reducing vulnerability
5. Working from interagency towards interoperability and information sharing
6. Promoting a free and open Indo-Pacific

CORE CONTENT

Regional Security Nexus sessions explore the complex linkages and feedback loops between different security challenges within each geographic sub-region – Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia, South Asia and Oceania.

Geopolitical Strategy sessions, exercises and gray-zone games examine structures, actors and their strategies in the context of strategic competition and security cooperation. Topics covered include the global commons, megatrends, select national issues, the use of power and economics, the competition continuum from irregular warfare to security cooperation to grand strategy, and different visions of world order.

Communications sessions explore legitimate and illegitimate uses of strategic messaging delivered via various communication methods and the media that range from preserving stability to destabilizing nations to managing crises.

Gendered Security sessions focus on understanding issues related to diversity, equity, inclusion, and gendered security in the context of security cooperation.

Stakeholder Management sessions center on how to build and maintain productive relationships and improve political will through the use of influence and negotiation. This includes how to create, maintain and expand 3rd party security networks.

Economics sessions describe the dynamic relationship between economics and security and its use in cooperation and competition.

Interagency sessions cultivate internal and external interoperability through interministry relations and information sharing.

Governance sessions explore challenges to security sector development and governance, and how to overcome them.

Resilience sessions explore how nations improve sovereignty by investing in approaches that resist geopolitical pressure, and disruption stemming from malign actors, hazards, disasters and climate.

Electives sessions are offered in many different security areas to enable Fellows the opportunity to deepen their knowledge in a particular area or learn about something new.

The Great Game: a strategic grey-zone game will feature throughout CSC with Fellows cooperating and competing for a trophy.

TRACK CONTENT

When Fellows register, they may choose to select a Track that they follow for the duration of the course. Tracks provide content on specific security issues and allow similarly experienced Fellows from different security sectors to work together on difficult, complex challenges.

Fellow's Project: This Capstone assignment makes up 20% of CSC. Fellows demonstrate critical thinking and a comprehensive perspective as they work on Course-Goal-related projects that address and attempt to resolve actual workplace challenges and security issues.

Course Certificate: Participation in all course elements and completion of the Fellow's Project Action Plan is required to graduate.

Specialty Certificate: Fellows must complete at least 75% of a Track and *implement* their Fellow's Project Action Plan upon return to work.

Each iteration of CSC features a different combination of the following six Tracks.



MARITIME SECURITY

Participants explore the free and open Indo-Pacific concept and the maritime domain as they review traditional state-based and non-traditional transnational crime challenges, and avenues of mutual cooperation to address these challenges. Fellows gain an improved understanding of the global commons and the importance of sea control, maritime domain awareness, and upholding the rules-based international order. This track enhances understanding of the maritime domain, enables Fellows to collaborate on improving maritime security, and benefits all security practitioners.



COUNTER-TERRORISM AND IRREGULAR WARFARE

Practitioners gain an enhanced understanding of counter-terrorism, irregular warfare, counter-insurgency, countering violent extremism and related fields as they explore their role within broader strategic competition between States and critically assess different response options by sharing international experiences and best practices. This practitioner-focused and highly interactive track networks Fellows and helps nations successfully collaborate in the fight against terrorism, insurgency and irregular warfare.



CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Practitioners from (a) emergency management and humanitarian assistance, (b) environmental security and climate change resilience, and (c) public health, expand their knowledge of current models, frameworks, and resources to support complex, cooperative operations in both slow and sudden onset crises. With human security a core feature of international relations, participants use case studies, simulations, and exercises to explore prevention, mitigation, and resilience strategies, while growing their professional networks.



CYBERSECURITY

Participants gain a non-technical, strategic-level, whole-of-society understanding of cybersecurity by exploring three dimensions: governance, resilience, and recovery. The aim of this track is to provide security practitioners with the knowledge, resources, best practices, and networks to navigate the cybersecurity environment and to understand how cybersecurity affects national and international security. Topics include strategy, policy, international frameworks, incident response, cybercrime, privacy/security, and public-private partnerships.



ECONOMICS AND SECURITY

Participants examine the impact of economic policies, trends, and actions on national security. Topics covered include trade agreements and sanctions, economic statecraft, and the digital and blue economies. Fellows in this track examine how countries at all levels of development and sizes use economics not just for growth and development, but also to deepen alliances and commitments or as a means of geopolitical competition.



STRATEGIC STUDIES

Professionals with an interest in security from government, security sectors, media, and civil society learn how to deal more effectively with the changing strategic environment and geopolitical landscape. Foci include thinking strategically, navigating the strategic environment, strategy in the digital age, strategic signaling, conflict resolution, and organizing the strategic ecosystem. Fellows will explore the development of organizational strategy as they build a network of analysts and security practitioners.