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**Principles of Defense Acquisition Management**

MASL # P159200

This course provides an understanding of the underlying concepts, fundamentals and philosophies of the defense acquisition management process and the practical application of program management methods within this process to achieve international security goals. The course addresses management characteristics and competencies, control policies and techniques, systems analysis methods, risk management, and functional area concerns.

**Course Topics Include:**

- Evolution and current state of defense acquisition policies and management practices in a defense environment characterized by civilian control of the military
- The systems acquisition life cycle
- Strategic planning and implementation
- Business and financial management
- User-producer acquisition management disciplines and activities
- Systems engineering
- Requirements evaluation and definition
- Offsets, logistics planning and support during the system life cycle
- Software acquisition
- Test and evaluation
- Program planning, organizing, staffing, directing and controlling
- Supply chain management

Case studies are used throughout the course to analyze various acquisition issues and craft management solutions to a wide variety of defense policy and program execution issues.

**Principles of Defense Procurement and Contracting**

MASL # P159202

The course provides an in-depth examination of policy, procedures and best practices applicable to all phases of the procurement and contracting process. During the course, international practices which include the US, EU and NATO models for procurement and contracting are examined. The goal is to enable course participants to understand and implement, to the extent possible, the principles of efficient and effective procurement and contracting systems.

**Course Topics Include:**

- Transparency
- Procurement planning; market research
- Writing and reviewing work specifications
- Competition policies
- Developing requests for tenders
- Tendering methods
- Evaluation techniques
- Analysis of technical and price proposals
- Contract administration/management
- Contract closeout.

Additionally, the course includes in-depth discussions of development and use of reporting systems and creation and sustainment of a professional procurement workforce. A study of concepts and practices related to online auctioning and electronic procurement is also included.

**International Defense Acquisition Negotiations**

MASL # P179069

The course focuses on planning and preparing for negotiations with a special emphasis on negotiation of complex issues in a multi-cultural environment. Extensive in-class negotiations are conducted. Course participants learn their negotiating style preference and how and when to adapt their negotiation styles given the behavior and goals of the parties. Key objectives of the course include developing an understanding of cross cultural negotiations, familiarizing course participants with a structured approach to planning and preparing for negotiations, and learning and applying various negotiation strategies and tactics and understanding their situational use.

**Course Topics Include:**

- Fact finding techniques
- Selection of negotiators
- Use of teams in negotiations
- Strategies and tactics for effective negotiations
- Ethics
- Analytical methodologies
- Relationship building in negotiations
- Developing negotiation positions, arguments and counter arguments
- Timing and pace
- Cultural considerations
- Communication and language barriers
- Completing the negotiation
- Drafting, signing and enforcing negotiation agreements

A capstone multi-cultural negotiation exercise focuses on the analysis of information, preparation of a formal negotiation plan, planning for negotiations, actual negotiations and completion of a negotiation agreement.

The “back-to-back” scheduling of the resident courses affords attendees the option of attending one, two or all three of the courses.