Call for Applications

Master of Science in Contract Management (MSCM)

Department of Defense Management

Distance Learning Program Commencing 8 July 2025

MSCM is a non-resident, part-time, online graduate degree program for qualified DoD employees, other federal employees, and defense contractors. Applicants without previous contracting experience are eligible for admission.

This 24-month program supports DAWIA Back-to-Basics DAU course training requirements for the CM Professional level of certification. Additionally, the curriculum is aligned with the competencies established in the National Contract Management Association (NCMA) Contract Management Body of Knowledge (CMBOK) and the Contract Management Standard (CMS). The curriculum supports preparation for the NCMA professional certification examinations including the Certified Federal Contract Manager (CFCM) and the Certified Professional Contract Manager (CPCM).

Students enroll in two online courses a quarter for eight consecutive quarters using Zoom for Government. Courses are delivered in two 3-hour sessions per week on Tuesday and Thursday from 1200-1500 (Pacific Time). Instruction is synchronous with live interaction between the professor and the students, bringing the classes to the students and permitting students to continue supporting the mission of their command/agency. A web camera and a microphone are required for classes.

- Tuition is $2,600 per course to be funded by the student’s command/agency for all students other than active duty Navy and Marine Corps personnel. Contact your command/agency for continued service obligation details.
- Active duty Navy and Marine Corps personnel are centrally funded by the DON and do not pay tuition. Contact your Detailer/Monitor for continued service obligation details.
- Students or their command/agency are responsible for textbooks and course materials costs.

Requirements for admission:

- Undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited four-year university or college.
- A minimum 2.2 GPA on a four-point scale.
- A minimum of one college-level mathematics course.
- No GRE required.

Applications deadline is 31 March 2025: https://nps.edu/web/admissions/apply. When applying, select curriculum number 835, academic year 2025, quarter 4. For more information, contact the Department of Defense Management via email DDMDL@nps.edu or phone (831) 656-2091 or visit https://online.nps.edu/w/835-master-of-science-in-contract-management?inheritRedirect=true.