

# NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY, CERTIFICATE

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Requirements for an undergraduate certificate may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the certificate.

## Program Description

The NSA certificate indicates students have completed the courses representing the required knowledge units as specified by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security as part of Penn State's designation as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense.

## What is National Security Agency?

Penn State and the College of Information Sciences and Technology are designated as a national Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) in Cyber Defense by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security. As such, the College of IST is authorized to grant security certificates of recognition and achievement to graduating students who meet certain academic criteria. The certificates certify that the student graduated from an institution and program whose faculty, resources, curricula, and commitment were evaluated and found to be of high quality, as defined by NSA/DHS for cyber security professionals.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY (<https://ist.psu.edu/current/undergraduate/certificates/nsa/>)

## You Might Like This Program If...

- You want to protect digital information, data stores, and computer networks from threats.
- You want to learn the cyberdefense strategies used to anticipate, recognize, and defend against computer attacks.
- You're passionate about how we can keep sensitive information out of the hands of hackers, cybercriminals, and terrorist organizations.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHY STUDENTS CHOOSE TO STUDY NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY (<https://ist.psu.edu/current/undergraduate/certificates/nsa/>)