

Microsoft Software & Systems Academy

TRANSITION TO A MEANINGFUL CAREER IN TECH

Microsoft Software & Systems Academy (MSSA) is proud to announce **Cybersecurity Operations**—a **NEW!** learning path offered by MSSA as a core offering starting May 22, 2023.

MSSA is a 17-week technical training program that equips former and transitioning service members for entry-level careers in high-demand fields in IT. Upon completion of MSSA, participants have a pathway towards Microsoft certifications and direct hiring opportunities with Microsoft or one of its 1,000+ hiring partners.

Cybersecurity Operations (CSO) provides accelerated learning to transitioning service members and veterans with experience in cybersecurity.

We have customized CSO curriculum focusing on cybersecurity technologies that support Microsoft and our partners' hiring demands. CSO expands our core MSSA offerings to accommodate service members with experience in IT+/cybersecurity.





WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

MSSA participants specialize in Cloud Application Development (CAD), Server and Cloud Administration (SCA), or **NEW!** Cybersecurity Operations (CSO) starting in May 2023.

Our tested curricula incorporates live virtual instruction, hands-on labs tackling realworld scenarios, and industry-recognized certifications to prepare participants for a meaningful tech career in any industry.

MSSA also delivers a robust professional development curriculum that includes career planning, professional skills-building—including resume writing and interview techniques—and job search strategies.

Training location and hours

LOCATION Virtual

CLASS SCHEDULE Monday-Friday 0800-1700 (CST or PDT)

UPCOMING DATES Please visit military.microsoft.com

How do I apply?

If you are thinking about kick-starting your career in tech with MSSA, carefully review entry requirements* and attend a **live briefing session** with our team.

Join us the first Tuesday of each month at $\underline{0900}$ and $\underline{1200}$ PT on Microsoft Teams to learn more.

Eligibility requirements*

Active duty service members must:

- Be within 180 days of the end-of service date;
- Secure command approval to participate;
- Submit proof of honorable service status.

Veterans must:

• Submit a DD-214 (proof of veteran status)

Admissions prerequisites

All learning paths (SCA, CAD, CSO):

• A valid Pearson Vue IT Specialist (ITS) certification aligned to the applicant's selected learning path. *Many applicants earn their certification during the MSSA application process!* <u>Learn more</u>.

NEW! CSO only:

• 2+ years' experience in networking, server operating systems, and cybersecurity.

RESOURCES

- Eligibility*: aka.ms/mssa-eligibility
- Prerequisites: aka.ms/mssa-prerequisites
- FAQs: aka.ms/mssa-FAQ
- Answer most questions on our website: military.microsoft.com/MSSA
- Questions? Reach out to us at MSSAops@microsoft.com
- Active duty applicants: *Find instructions on applying for a SkillBridge program for your branch of service at SkillBridge.osd.mil/how-to-apply.htm*