

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
AND  
NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (NNSA)**

**National Security Studies Program**

Administered by the National Defense University

<b>Objective:</b>	The National Security Studies Program (NSSP) is designed to prepare future leaders of civilian agencies for high-level policy, command, and staff responsibilities. The NSSP focuses on international environments and commercial partnerships. All students successfully completing the program are awarded a Master's degree. This program does not involve a promotion or a change in position.
<b>Target Audience and Eligibility:</b>	<p><b>Target Audience:</b> DOE employees in the following fields are encouraged to apply: safeguards and security, international affairs, non proliferation, emergency managers, infrastructure specialists, economic advisors, and information and resource managers.</p> <p><b>Eligibility:</b> Federal employees at the GS/GM-14 or GS/GM-15 or equivalent pay band levels who have earned a Bachelor's degree.</p> <p><b>DOE/NNSA</b> employees are eligible to participate in only one career development program at a time; must have career/career-conditional status; and are serving in permanent, full-time appointments.</p>
<b>Program Overview:</b>	The NSSP program is comprised of two major elements, the National War College (NWC) and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF). The National War College (NWC) focuses on national security, international security, strategic planning, and defense policy and strategy. It conducts a senior-level course of study in national security policy and strategy. The industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) conducts the executive-level courses of study focusing on the resource component of national power, with special emphasis on material acquisition and joint logistics, and their integration into national security strategy for peace and war.
<b>Cost:</b>	<p>The tuition is waived for this program. There is no direct training cost. However, the participant's organization will be responsible for travel and per diem costs if the selectee is outside the Washington, D.C. area.</p> <p><b>NNSA Applicants:</b> NNSA will corporately fund up to two slots for travel-related expenses. If an EM, OST, or NA-30 employee is selected, their respective organization will be responsible for their travel-related expenses.</p>
<b>Benefits to Organizations:</b>	The program prepares federal civilian employees for high-level policy, command, and staff responsibilities. Participants will gain valuable experience in leadership, information strategy, national security studies, military strategy, logistics, economics, industry studies, and much more. This experience will help produce capable and exceptionally prepared professionals for the Department.
<b>Benefits to the Participant:</b>	All participants who complete the program receive a Masters of Science in National Resource Strategy. Students will have an opportunity to travel abroad for industry studies. Students are offered a wide and interesting variety of electives, and the opportunity to intermingle with the multi-agency student body at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) and/or the National War College (NWC).
<b>Program Cycle:</b>	<b>A ten-month program that begins in August 2011 and concludes in June 2012</b>
<b>Continued Service Agreement:</b>	<b>NNSA Applicants:</b> The NNSA Continued Service Agreement (CSA) will be provided to the selectee(s) at the time of selection.
<b>Nomination Procedure and Due Date:</b>	Please contact Aleta Haynes, Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer, at <a href="mailto:Aleta.Haynes@hq.doe.gov">Aleta.Haynes@hq.doe.gov</a> , or 202-287-5499, if you wish to submit an application. Nomination packages are due by January 27, 2011. Late or incomplete applications will

	<p>not be accepted.</p> <p><b>NNSA Applicants:</b> The application package is available at the <a href="#">NNSP webpage</a> and includes all forms and instructions required to be considered for this career development opportunity. Please contact Patricia Patt, Career Development Specialist, NNSA Service Center, OHCMS, Learning and Career Development Department (LCDD), at <a href="mailto:ppat@doeal.gov">ppat@doeal.gov</a>, or on 505-845-4489, or Molly Saenz at <a href="mailto:msaenz@doeal.gov">msaenz@doeal.gov</a>, or on 505-845-4306. NNSA nomination packages are due to LCDD by January 7, 2011, by 4 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.</p>
<b>Additional Information</b>	<p>Detailed information is available on the <a href="#">National Defense University website</a>, or the <a href="#">National War College website</a>, or the <a href="#">Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) website</a>.</p>