

Summer 2027 Cohort



SUMMARY

The DCSA Student Experience (DSE) is a paid internship program designed to attract talented students. Students have an opportunity to gain marketable developmental experience in counterintelligence, industrial security, personnel security, security training, and DCSA core mission and support areas.

HIGHLIGHTS

Students work for a required minimum of 10 weeks from June through August as full-time, temporary federal employees. Students that successfully complete the summer program may be eligible to continue the internship program during the semester and non-competitively return for the Summer 2028 Cohort. Students must provide proof of all eligibility items.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or graduate degree program from an accredited college/university with the intention of remaining a full-time student through October of 2028. (Law Students may apply in any year during their JD program.)
- Maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0/4.0 GPA from the time of application, the semester prior to cohort participation, and throughout their employment in the program.
- Obtain and maintain the required clearance.
- Pass pre-employment and random drug testing.
- Reside in the local commuting area of the selected duty location during summer session.
- Meet other qualifications as stated in the announcement.

**Upcoming Student Trainee Positions will be posted on USAJOBS.gov
Opening September 1, 2026**

The DSE Summer '27 Cohort runs from May 31, 2027 through August 20, 2027.
Students are required to complete a minimum of 10 weeks (400 hours) in the summer session.

MID-ATLANTIC REGION

VA - Alexandria, Arlington, Stafford, Quantico

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| • Administration & Analysis Student Trainee | • Law Student Trainee (Legal Intern) |
| • Security Student Trainee | • Human Resource Management Trainee |
| • Industrial Security Student Trainee | • Public Affairs Student Trainee |
| • Personnel Security Student Trainee | • Visual Information Student Trainee |
| • Computer Science Student Trainee | • Social Science Student Trainee |
| • Computer & Data Science Student Trainee | |

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MD - Fort Meade, Linthicum

- [Administration & Analysis Student Trainee](#)
- [Business & Industry Student Trainee](#)
- [Training Specialist Student Trainee](#)
- [Personnel Security Student Trainee](#)
- [Public Affairs Student Trainee](#)
- [Computer & Data Science Student Trainee](#)
- [Security Student Trainee](#)

EASTERN / CENTRAL / WESTERN REGIONS

PA - Boyers

- [Administration & Analysis Student Trainee](#)
- [Human Resources Management Trainee](#)
- [Auditing Student Trainee](#)

PA – Philadelphia

- [Intelligence Student Trainee](#)

MA – Andover

- [Industrial Security Student Trainee](#)

CA – McClellan & Palmdale

- [Security Student Trainee](#)

TX –San Antonio

- [Industrial Security Student Trainee](#)

UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR THE DSE SUMMER '27 COHORT

Sessions are in Eastern Time conducted via Zoom.gov, you may use a phone, tablet, or computer to access.
Please select the date and complete the required registration.

Session	
Monday, 24 August 1500	Monday, 14 September 1200
Wednesday, 26 August 1200	Wednesday, 16 September 1800
Friday, 28 August 1200	Friday, 18 September 1500
Tuesday, 1 September 1500	Tuesday, 22 September 1800
Thursday, 3 September 1800	Thursday, 24 September 1200
Tuesday, 8 September 1200	Monday, 28 September 1500
Thursday, 10 September 1500	Wednesday, 30 September 1800