

## **Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) in Cyber Defense Research (R) Designation CAE Designation Summary**

The Cyber Research (CAE-R) designation is awarded to Department of Defense (DoD) schools, Ph.D. producing 11 military academies, or regionally accredited, degree granting four-year institutions rated by the Carnegie 12 Foundation Basic Classification system as either (1) a Doctoral University – Highest Research Activity (R1), (2) 13 Doctoral University – Higher Research Activity (R2), or (3) Doctoral University – Moderate Research Activity 14 (R3).

Institutions wishing to earn the **Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Research (CAE-R) Designation** for a particular program of study will apply in one step.

**CAE Designation:** To be eligible for designation, the academic institutions must hold a current regional accreditation as outlined by the Department of Education (<https://www.ed.gov/accreditation>). While multiple PoS validations (CAE-CDE and CAE-CO) per academic institution is allowed, no duplicates of any Institutional designation type is allowed.

### **CAE-Cyber Defense Research (CAE-R) Designation Checklist**

#### College Information:

- Institution Name:
- Name of *Regional Accreditation Agency*:
- Institution Street Address:
  - City, State, Zip:
- Name of chosen program of study (PoS):
- Department that houses the program of study:
- Program of Study type:
  - Doctoral:
  - other:

#### Point of Contact (POC) Information:

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President/ Provost Information:

- Title:
- First
- Last:
- Phone:
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**Please indicate ‘Yes’, ‘No’, or ‘Unknown’ to the questions below and submit the checklist; you will be contacted with information on how to continue.**

<b>CAE Designation Requirements</b>				
<b>Criteria Name</b>	<b>Criteria Description</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Unknown</b>
General Information	Is your academic institution regionally accredited?			
	Has your Institution previously earned the Centers of Academic Excellence (CAE) designation?			
	Have you attended a CAE workshop in the past 6 months?			
	Have you been approved by your institutions administration (Provost or higher) to pursue the CAE Designation?			
1. New CAE-R Applicants	Are you familiar with your institutions accreditation process?			
	Can you provide evidence of CD Research initiatives?			
	Does your academic program provide sufficient CD area of study?			

	Does your institution have an officially established cyber center (physical or virtual)?			
2. Research Rating	Is your Carnegie Foundation Classification level R1, R2 or R3?			
3. Program Faculty	Do you have three faculty who teach/conduct research?			
4. Publications and Research	Are you able to provide evidence of peer reviewed publications?			
	Are you able to provide evidence of research impact in CD areas?			
	Are you able to provide links to ten (minimum) papers in CD core areas?			
5. Graduate-level Production	Is your PhD enrollment average 3 per year with 3 or more graduates in the last five years?			
	Are you able to provide links to at least 5 student research papers?			
6. Research Funding	Are you able to show 5 years of new and sustained research funding?			
	Are you able to demonstrate the quality of your research and evidence of significant impact?			
7. Subject Matter Preparation	Are you able to demonstrate that students have received adequate CD subject matter preparation?			

\*I certify that the information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge: *Yes/No*