

## **CyberCorps®: Scholarship for Service Application Instructions**

### **Kansas State University**

#### **Before Applying:**

Ensure that you:

- Are a United States citizen or permanent legal resident
- Are a full-time student at K-State or applying to a degree program at K-State  
You must either be a current student or an applicant for admission  
You must be accepted before you can receive the award
- Are studying or intend to study fields which emphasize Cybersecurity, Information Assurance, Cryptography, and/or Risk Management
- Are able to pass federal government job screening requirements and background check
- Are 3 years or fewer away from graduation by the first semester the scholarship will be awarded
- Meet minimum cumulative GPA requirements (3.2 for undergraduate students; 3.3 for graduate students)

#### **Requirements for Recipients:**

Ensure that you:

- Maintain full-time student status at K-State without pursuing or holding any outside employment
- Concentrate in an area of study related to Cybersecurity, Information Assurance, Cryptography, and/or Risk Management
- Maintain a good academic standing including minimum cumulative GPA requirements
- Maintain compatibility with federal agency requirements (e.g., no drugs, felonies, etc.)
- Participate in required events within the program (e.g., job fairs, professional development, etc.)
- Complete at least one internship at a government agency during the summer\*
- After graduation, secure a full-time job in federal, state, local, or tribal government for a period of time commensurate with the number of years the scholarship is awarded\*

#### **Application Instructions (submit by email to [cs-sfs@ksu.edu](mailto:cs-sfs@ksu.edu)):**

To apply for the CyberCorps Scholarship for Service (SFS) scholarship, please submit the following materials:

- The completed application form (see below; please type or fill out electronically)
- Official transcripts from any previous post-secondary schools other than K-State
- A resume or curriculum vitae
- Three (3) letters of recommendation highlighting technical and scholarly skills and experience
- **A personal statement:**

Please submit a personal statement detailing the following:

- Your interest in this program and what lead to you applying for the scholarship
- Any awards, recognition, honors, and/or commendations you have received
- Any unique reasons that make you an exceptional candidate and help set you apart from other applicants

You may also want to include such information as:

- Why you are interested in the study of security-related fields
- Why you would like to work for the government in these fields
- Any knowledge and experience related to these fields
- Evidence of good interpersonal communication skills (public speaking, writing, working in teams, etc.)
- Evidence of good problem-solving skills

\* Students can apply for any position that includes duties in Information Assurance at a Federal Executive agency. Other options (subject to prior approval) can include other Federal agencies as well as State, Local, or Tribal Government organization, Independent Agency, Government Corporation, Commission, Quasi-Official Agency, National Laboratory, Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC), or other approved organization. These requirements/approvals are managed by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management ([sfs@opm.gov](mailto:sfs@opm.gov)).

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**Personal Information:**

Last Name:		First Name:		Middle:
Permanent Address:				Daytime Phone:
City:		State:	Zip:	Evening Phone:
Email Address:				Mobile Phone:
Current Address (if different):				U.S. Citizen? Yes:      No:
City:		State:	Zip:	<b>NOTE: You must be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident to receive this scholarship</b>
Country of origin (if applicable:)				

**Application Information:**

Degree Program where you would use the Scholarship Bachelors:          Masters:          Doctorate:		Major/Program:	Anticipated Graduation (MM/YYYY):
Degree Status at K-State: are/have you Currently Enrolled?          Accepted but not Enrolled?          Applied but not Accepted?          Not Applied?			
Highest ACT Scores (if any) Comp:          Math:		Highest SAT Scores (if any) V:          M:	Highest GRE Scores (if any) V:          Q:          A:

**Current and Previous Post-secondary Schools Attended (send official transcripts):**

Name of Current School:			Years Attended:
Address of Current School:			Degree Awarded (if any) and Year:
City:	State:	Zip:	GPA:

Name of Previous School:			Years Attended:
Address of Previous School:			Degree Awarded (if any) and Year:
City:	State:	Zip:	GPA:

Name of Previous School:			Years Attended:
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City:	State:	Zip:	GPA:

How did you hear about the CyberCorps® program?

By signing below, I acknowledge that:

- 1) I am a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident.
- 2) I do not, and do not expect to, have other service commitments such as ROTC.
- 3) The information provided on this form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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*Signature of Applicant*

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*Date*

**CyberCorps®: Scholarship for Service Recommendation Form  
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Applicant Information (to be completed by the applicant):

Applicant's Name:
Recommender's Name:
Relationship to Applicant:

Evaluation of Applicant (to be completed by the recommender):

Please rate the applicant on the following traits compared to his or her peers	Exceptional	Very Good	Average	Below Average	Cannot Judge
Intellect / Academic Skills					
Initiative / Work Ethic					
Oral Communication					
Written Communication					
Leadership					
Working on a Team					
Problem Solving Skills					
Interpersonal Skills					
Willingness to Learn					
Maturity					
Dependability					
Honesty / Integrity					
Time Management					
Attention to Detail					

Does the applicant's GPA accurately reflect his or her abilities in the field?    Yes:                      No:

(If the answer is no, please elaborate in the attached letter)

Overall Recommendation: Compared to his or her peers, I would rank this candidate in the top:

1% - 4%:                      5% - 9%:                      10% - 24%:                      25% - 50%:                      50% or lower:

Recommender Information:

Place of Employment:	Title:
Email Address:	Daytime Phone:

**Please attach a separate letter of recommendation with additional comments. Email both to [cs-sfs@ksu.edu](mailto:cs-sfs@ksu.edu).**

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*Signature of Recommender*

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*Date*