

Constructive and Transfer Credit for DSCU Courses

Introduction:

Some security cooperation (SC) workforce members have extensive SC-related formal experience and knowledge that may qualify these individuals for constructive credit for some DSCU courses. The procedures below explain the constructive credit process. Informally, this process is often referred to as testing out of a course.

Background:

DSCU courses are intended to support SC certification by providing formal training and education in DoD-approved SC competencies to the level required for certification as outlined in DoD's SC Workforce Certification Guidelines.

The most practical method of achieving these objectives is typically completing a DSCU course. In some cases, however, SC Workforce members may have gained those SC competencies through their professional experience. Such individuals are eligible to request constructive credit for certain DSCU courses (i.e., credit for the course without taking it) by documenting their experience and then passing a test to demonstrate their proficiency, as outlined below.

Another practical method of achieving these objectives is completing course requirements through a non-DSCU class. Many workforce members completed regional studies curricula that could potentially meet the regional orientation competencies requirements. Such individuals are eligible to request transfer credit for certain DSCU courses.

Students that completed legacy courses before the SC workforce certification program met the competency requirements by completing DSCU courses. The system autogenerates credit for these courses, and no action by the student is required. A list of these courses is included in the Legacy Course Credit Equivalency Table <

<https://www.dscu.mil/pages/certification/legacy-course-equivalency.aspx>>

DSCU Course Constructive Credit Requirements

Basic Level Courses

SC-101 Introduction to Security Cooperation

1. Students can take a pre-test for each module in this asynchronous course. Passing the test for that module allows the student to continue to the next module. If the student does not pass the test for that module, the student must then complete the module and pass the test upon completion of the module.

SC-121 Introduction to End-Use Monitoring

1. Students can take a pre-test for each module in this asynchronous course. Passing the pre-test for a module allows the student to continue to the next module. If the student does not pass the test for that module, the student must then complete the module and pass the test upon completion of the module.

Intermediate Level Courses

CASE-201 Intermediate SC Case Life Cycle Management

1. A minimum of two years experience with SC programs involving most aspects of the SC case process (FMS or pseudo-FMS (BPC) case development, case funding, international sustainment, acquisition for international programs, and/or international military training management) as documented by current supervisor validation of experience.
2. Complete SC-101 Introduction to SC (test-out option available, see above).
3. Completing the knowledge assessment for CASE-201 with a minimum passing score of 80%.

CASE-202 Intermediate SC International Training Management

1. A minimum of two years experience with SC programs involving most aspects of the SC case process for international military training management as documented by current supervisor validation of experience.
2. Complete SC-101 Introduction to SC (test-out option available, see above).

3. Completing the knowledge assessment for CASE-201 with a minimum passing score of 80%.

POE-201 Intermediate SC Planning, Oversight, and Execution

1. A minimum of two years experience with SC program oversight and execution involving multiple 10 USC and 22 USC authorized SC programs (SC legal authorities, formal security cooperation planning process and plans, application of funding for SC programs, SC Assessments, Monitoring, and Evaluation), documented by current supervisor validating experience.
2. Completing SC-101 Introduction to SC and SC-121 Introduction to End-Use Monitoring (test-out option available, see above).
3. Completing the knowledge assessment for POE-201 with a minimum passing score of 80%.

SCO-201 Security Cooperation Organization/Officer

1. A minimum of two years SCO focused experience with SC programs involving most aspects of the SC process (working in a Security Cooperation Office, Defense Attaché Office with SCO responsibilities, Geographical Combatant Command, and/or as a regional desk officer for a service with SC program planning, FMS or pseudo-FMS (BPC) case development, case funding, international logistics, acquisition for international programs, and/or international military training management experience), documented by current supervisor validating past experience.
2. Completion of SC-101 Introduction to SC and SC-121 Introduction to End-Use Monitoring (test-out option available, see above)
3. Completion of one of the following (credit for one of these courses can be obtained through transfer credit, see transfer credit section)
 - a. SC-250 Intermediate Cross Cultural Competence & Regional Survey.
 - b. SC-251 Intermediate Cross Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation
(CENTCOM)

- c. SC-252 Intermediate Cross Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation
(INDOPACOM)
 - d. SC-253 Intermediate Cross Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation
(EUCOM)
 - e. SC-254 Intermediate Cross Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation
(AFRICOM)
 - f. SC-255 Intermediate Cross-Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation
(SOUTHCAM)
4. Completing the knowledge assessment for SCO-201 with a minimum passing score of 80%.

REQUESTING CONSTRUCTIVE CREDIT

Basic Level Courses

1. Register for the course and pass the pre-test for each module.

Intermediate Level Course

1. Write a document to provide evidence of your experience. Include job positions, responsibilities, and dates assigned to those positions.
2. Logon to CSOD <dau.csod.com>
3. Select [CONSTRUCTIVE CREDIT REQUESTS]
4. Select [Constructive Credit Request Form]
5. Process constructive credit request form.
 - a. Fill out the form with your personal information.
 - b. Select the Constructive Credit course for which you are requesting the Knowledge Assessment.
 - c. Attach documentation to show your prior training and experience.
 - d. Submit the form.

6. Once submitted, this form will be routed for approval.
 - a. Upon approval, you will be assigned the Constructive Credit knowledge assessment. You have one attempt to pass this assessment (a minimum score of 80% is required).
7. Upon passing, you will receive completion for the corresponding Constructive Credit course. If you fail the assessment, you will be required to complete the Constructive Credit course.

DSCU Course Transfer Credit Requirements

1. Credit for the following courses can be achieved by submitting a transfer request for course work completed outside of DSCU.
 - a. SC-250 Intermediate Cross-Cultural Competence & Regional Survey.
 - b. SC-251 Intermediate Cross-Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation (CENTCOM)
 - c. SC-252 Intermediate Cross Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation (INDOPACOM)
 - d. SC-253 Intermediate Cross-Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation (EUCOM)
 - e. SC-254 Intermediate Cross-Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation (AFRICOM)
 - f. SC-255 Intermediate Cross-Cultural Competence & Regional Orientation (SOUTHCOM)

REQUESTING TRANSFER CREDIT

1. Logon to CSOD <dau.csod.com>
2. Select [TRANSFER CREDIT REQUESTS] 3. Select [Transfer Credit Request Form]
4. Fill out the form.
 - a. Select the course for which you would like to receive credit by selecting from the dropdown.

- b. Select the start and end dates of the training you took that you would like to receive the transferred credit for.
 - c. Attach evidence of course completion (a copy of your transcript and a copy of the course syllabus) and a copy of the memo filled out by you.
 - i. A sample memo is available for you to download.
 - d. Once you are done, click on Submit at the bottom of the page.
8. Your request will be routed for approval, and upon approval, it will appear on your Completed tab on the View Your Transcript page. If your request is not approved, you will be required to complete the Transfer Credit course.