

The **SANS Technology Institute (SANS.edu)** offers regionally accredited undergraduate and graduate cybersecurity programs that are eligible for tuition assistance programs. Individuals may take up to two (2) courses for academic credit without being enrolled in a degree program. Non-degree students must satisfy all of the course requirements, including GIAC exams, within 3 months and will receive a grade upon completion of the course. Follow this step-by-step guide to use your tuition assistance benefits on a single course.

## STEP 1

Choose your course from this list.

Your tuition includes the cost of the course, textbooks, and GIAC certification tests that serve as final exams, when applicable.

ACS 3275	Foundations: Computers, Technology, & Security   <b>SEC275 + GFACT</b>
ACS 4450	SOC: Analyst Training - Applied Skills for Cyber Defense Operations   <b>SEC450 + GSOC</b>
ACS 4497	Practical Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT)   <b>SEC497 + GOSI</b>
ACS 4498	Digital Acquisition and Rapid Triage   <b>FOR498 + GBFA</b>
ISE 5001	Security Leadership Essentials for Managers   <b>LDR512 + GSLC</b>
ISE 5101	Security Essentials   <b>SEC401 + GSEC</b>
ISE 5201	Hacker Tools, Techniques, and Incident Handling   <b>SEC504 + GCIH</b>
ISE 5401	Network Monitoring and Threat Detection In-Depth   <b>SEC503 + GCIA</b>
ISE 5601	Security Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership   <b>LDR514 + GSTRT</b>
ISE 6001	Implementing and Auditing CIS Controls   <b>SEC566 + GCCC</b>
ISE 6215	Advanced Security Essentials-Enterprise Defender   <b>SEC501 + GCED</b>
ISE 6240	Cybersecurity Engineering: Advanced Threat Detection and Monitoring   <b>SEC511 + GMON</b>
ISE 6245	Detection Engineering and SIEM Analytics   <b>SEC555 + GCDA</b>
ISE 6250	Defeating Advanced Adversaries - Purple Team Tactics & Kill Chain Defenses   <b>SEC599 + GDAT</b>
ISE 6255	Defensible Security Architecture and Engineering: Implementing Zero Trust for the Hybrid Enterprise   <b>SEC530 + GDSA</b>
ISE 6270	Applied Data Science and AI/Machine Learning for Cybersecurity Professionals   <b>SEC595 + GMLE</b>
ISE 6315	Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking   <b>SEC542 + GWAPT</b>
ISE 6320	Enterprise Penetration Testing   <b>SEC560 + GPEN</b>
ISE 6325	iOS and Android Application Security Analysis and Penetration Testing   <b>SEC575 + GMOB</b>
ISE 6330	Wireless Penetration Testing & Ethical Hacking   <b>SEC617 + GAWN</b>
ISE 6360	Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, & Ethical Hacking   <b>SEC660 + GXPN</b>
ISE 6370	Red Team Operations and Adversary Emulation   <b>SEC565 + GRTP</b>
ISE 6420	Windows Forensics Analysis   <b>FOR500 + GCFE</b>
ISE 6425	Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics   <b>FOR508 + GCFA</b>
ISE 6440	Advanced Network Forensics: Threat Hunting, Analysis and Incident Response   <b>FOR572 + GNFA</b>
ISE 6502	Cloud Security Tactical Defense   <b>SEC 502 + GCLD</b>
ISE 6509	Enterprise Cloud Forensics and Incident Response   <b>FOR 509 + GCFR</b>
ISE 6515	ICS/SCADA Security Essentials   <b>ICS410 + GICSP</b>
ISE 6518	Mac and iOS Forensic Analysis and Incident Response   <b>FOR518 + GIME</b>
ISE 6520	ICS Visibility, Detection, and Response   <b>ICSS15 + GRID</b>
ISE 6525	Essentials for NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection   <b>ICS456 + GCIP</b>
ISE 6549	Cloud Security Architecture   <b>SEC549 + GCAD</b>
ISE 6553	Cyber Incident Management   <b>LDR553 + GCIL</b>
ISE 6573	AI-Powered Security Automation: Building Tools with Python, LLMs, and MCP   <b>SEC573 + GPYC</b>
ISE 6578	Cyber Threat Intelligence   <b>FOR578 + GCTI</b>
ISE 6585	Smartphone Forensic Analysis In-Depth   <b>FOR585 + GASF</b>
ISE 6608	Enterprise-Class Incident Response & Threat Hunting   <b>FOR608 + GEIR</b>
ISE 6612	Cloud Security Engineering and Controls   <b>SEC510 + GPCS</b>
ISE 6615	Application Security: Securing Web Applications, APIs, and Microservices   <b>SEC522 + GWEB</b>
ISE 6630	Cloud Penetration Testing   <b>SEC588 + GCPN</b>
ISE 6650	Cloud Native Security and DevSecOps Automation   <b>SEC540 + GCSA</b>
ISE 6655	Cloud Security Threat Detection   <b>SEC541 + GCTD</b>
ISE 6700	Building and Leading Security Operations Centers   <b>LDR551 + GSOM</b>
ISE 7610	Reverse-Engineering Malware: Malware Analysis Tools and Techniques   <b>FOR610 + GREM</b>

## STEP 2

Complete the online application at [application.sans.edu/apply](https://application.sans.edu/apply) and confirm your admission.

If admitted, you will be prompted to accept your offer of admission.

## STEP 3

Complete new student orientation and meet with your student advisor.

You will receive instructions via email to complete a short, virtual new student orientation. At the end of orientation, you will schedule a call with your student advisor to confirm the course you wish to take, funding, modality, and start date.

## STEP 4

Register and pay for your course.

After meeting with your advisor, you will receive instructions via email with a link to register and pay for your course through SANS.edu.

## STEP 5

Complete your course.

After completing your GIAC exam within the 3-month course term, you will receive a grade report via email.

## STEP 6

Receive credit towards a program.

Talk to your student advisor about transferring your credit earned to one of our SANS.edu programs. Transfer credit does not count against the 25% course waiver limit. Visit [SANS.edu/admissions/transfer-of-credit](https://SANS.edu/admissions/transfer-of-credit) for more details.

Questions? We are happy to help.

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