

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 Security Foundations | **SEC275 + GFACT**
- ACS 4450 Blue Team Fundamentals: Security Operations and Analysis | **SEC450 + GSOC**
- ACS 4497 Practical Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) | **SEC497 + GOSI**
- ACS 4498 Digital Acquisition and Rapid Triage | **FOR498 + GBFA**
- ISE 5001 Security Leadership Essentials for Managers | **LDR512 + GSLC**
- ISE 5101 Security Essentials | **SEC401 + GSEC**
- ISE 5201 Hacker Tools, Techniques, and Incident Handling | **SEC504 + GCIH**
- ISE 5401 Network Monitoring and Threat Detection In-Depth | **SEC503 + GCIA**
- ISE 5601 Security Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership | **LDR514 + GSTRT**
- ISE 6001 Implementing and Auditing CIS Controls | **SEC566 + GCCC**
- ISE 6215 Advanced Security Essentials-Enterprise Defender | **SEC501 + GCED**
- ISE 6240 Continuous Monitoring & Security Operations | **SEC511 + GMON**
- ISE 6245 Detection Engineering and SIEM Analytics | **SEC555 + GCDA**
- ISE 6250 Purple Team Tactics & Kill Chain Defenses | **SEC599 + GDAT**
- ISE 6255 Defensible Security Architecture and Engineering | **SEC530 + GDSA**
- ISE 6270 Applied Data Science and AI/Machine Learning for Cybersecurity Professionals | **SEC595 + GMLE**
- ISE 6315 Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking | **SEC542 + GWAPT**
- ISE 6320 Enterprise Penetration Testing | **SEC560 + GPEN**
- ISE 6325 Mobile Device Security & Ethical Hacking | **SEC575 + GMOB**
- ISE 6330 Wireless Penetration Testing & Ethical Hacking | **SEC617 + GAWN**
- ISE 6360 Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, & Ethical Hacking | **SEC660 + GXPN**
- ISE 6370 Red Team Operations and Adversary Emulation | **SEC565 + GRTP**
- ISE 6420 Computer Forensic Investigations – Windows | **FOR500 + GCFE**
- ISE 6425 Advanced Digital Forensics, Incident Response, & Threat Hunting | **FOR508 + GCFA**
- ISE 6440 Advanced Network Forensic Analysis | **FOR572 + GNFA**
- ISE 6502 Cloud Security Tactical Defense | **SEC 502 + GCLD**
- ISE 6509 Enterprise Cloud Forensics and Incident Response | **FOR 509 + GCFR**
- ISE 6515 ICS/SCADA Security Essentials | **ICS410 + GICSP**
- ISE 6518 Mac and iOS Forensic Analysis and Incident Response | **FOR518 + GIME**
- ISE 6520 ICS Active Defense and Incident Response | **ICS515 + GRID**
- ISE 6525 Essentials for NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection | **ICS456 + GCIP**
- ISE 6549 Cloud Security Architecture | **SEC549 + GCAD**
- ISE 6553 Cyber Incident Management | **LDR553 + GCIL**
- ISE 6573 AI-Powered Security Automation: Building Tools with Python, LLMs, and MCP | **SEC573 + GPYC**
- ISE 6578 Cyber Threat Intelligence | **FOR578 + GCTI**
- ISE 6585 Smartphone Forensic Analysis In-Depth | **FOR585 + GASF**
- ISE 6608 Enterprise-Class Incident Response & Threat Hunting | **FOR608 + GEIR**
- ISE 6612 Public Cloud Security: AWS, Azure, and GCP | **SEC510 + GPCS**
- ISE 6615 Defending Web Applications Security Essentials | **SEC522 + GWEB**
- ISE 6630 Cloud Penetration Testing | **SEC588 + GCPN**
- ISE 6650 Cloud Security and DevOps Automation | **SEC540 + GCSA**
- ISE 6655 Cloud Security Attacker Techniques, Monitoring and Threat Detection | **SEC541 + GCTD**
- ISE 6700 Building and Leading Security Operations Centers | **LDR551 + GSOM**
- ISE 7610 Reverse-Engineering Malware: Malware Analysis Tools and Techniques | **FOR610 + GREM**

## 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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