# International Student Information Guide

## First Things First

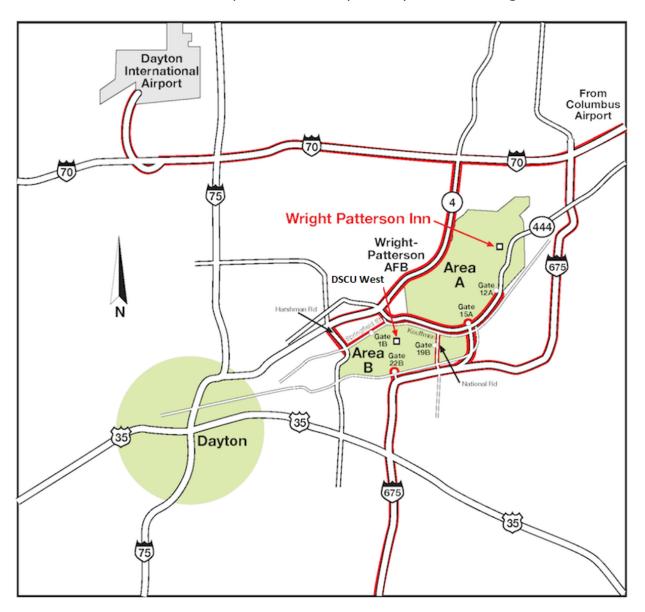
Please note that DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB offers a variety of courses for our international partners. Make sure that you know which course you are scheduled to attend and then make sure that the correct course is indicated on your Invitational Travel Orders (ITO). We must put you in the course indicated on your ITO. If you want to move from one course to another after you arrive at DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB, we must first ask your country's Security Cooperation Office (SCO) to provide us with an amendment to your ITO. This requires the SCO to coordinate with your government and can take a long time. Even though some of our courses run concurrently, we may not move you from one classroom to another without an ITO amendment. It is best to make sure your ITO is correct before you depart for DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB.

The following courses comprise our international curriculum:

- 1. International Partner Security Cooperation Finance and Logistics (3 weeks, MASL D178271) starts on Monday and runs for three weeks, ending at noon of the Friday of the third week. We ask that students not schedule departure flights prior to 1600 hrs on that day.
- 2. International Partner Security Cooperation Finance and Training Management (3 weeks, MASL D178270) starts on Monday and runs for three weeks, ending at noon of the Friday of the third week. We ask that students not schedule departure flights prior to 1600 hrs on that day.

## Once You Get Here

- If you are traveling to DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB by air, you will arrive at the Dayton International Airport. Please try to arrive prior to 2200 hrs on the day immediately preceding the start date of your course..
- There is a commercial taxi stand just outside the front of the terminal. Fares to WPAFB range from \$50 to \$80. IMPORTANT: Commercial taxis are NOT authorized on Wright-Patterson AFB.
- If you arrive by car or take a taxi or rental car from the airport, proceed to the Hope Hotel, a base access pass is not required for the Hope Hotel.
- To get on WPAFB, you will need your passport and a copy of your ITO. Show the WPAFB gate guards your ITO and they should allow you temporary base access to get to the base. You will be taken to Pass and Registration on the first day of class to obtain a blue base access pass.



• You will not need a separate vehicle pass if you are driving a car.

# Lodging

- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB will arrange for your lodging, normally at the Hope Hotel. The Hope Hotel is located immediately adjacent to WPAFB, Area A (address: 10823 Childlaw Rd, WPAFB OH, 45433). Unless you advise us of an earlier arrival date, we will make your reservations starting the day prior to your class start date. **Reservations for rooms earlier than the day prior to the class start date are on a space-available basis only.**
- Current Hope Hotel rate is \$111.00 plus tax per night (\$121.82). Students are expected to pay for their full stay upon check-in.
- When we make your reservations, we will tell the lodging office your expected arrival time. If during your trip it appears that you will arrive later than originally planned, please inform the lodging office by phone at (937) 257-5442 or the Hope Hotel at 937-879-2696 so

that they will know to hold your room or to change your reservation. Please also inform the <u>Registrar</u>. Note that lodging will not hold your room past 1700 hours of the day prior to your class start date unless you notify them or DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB of your late arrival.

- We recommend that you not bring family members, other dependents, or guests. The VOQ will not provide billeting for them. Moreover, DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB is not authorized to issue them a base pass.
- If you decide to stay in quarters other than those arranged for by DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB, whether because you are accompanied by a family member or for other reasons, you must make your own arrangements, including transportation from the airport. Furthermore, DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB will not provide you with a statement of non-availability for quarters.
- If you have a physical disability, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can make the necessary arrangements to ensure that you have a comfortable stay while you are here.

#### Local Transportation

- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB provides free bus service between the Hope Hotel/VOQ and the schoolhouse. If you choose to stay elsewhere, you must provide your own transportation to and from class.
- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB may also provide a free shuttle service between student quarters and local eating establishments in the evenings and on weekends.

The bus runs several routes daily. It departs immediately upon loading all readily available passengers.

- 7:05 AM, Building 823 (Hope Hotel)
- 7:08 AM, Building 83x (parking lot entrance)
- 7:11 AM, Buildings 825/826 (between the buildings)
- 7:25 AM, Building 52 (DSCU main entrance)
- 7:30 AM, Building 823 (Hope Hotel)
- 7:33 AM, Building 83x, (parking lot entrance)
- 7:36 AM, Buildings 825/826 (between the buildings)
- 7:55 AM, Building 52 (DSCU main entrance)
- 4:00 PM, Building 52 (DSCU main entrance)
- 4:15 PM Building 823 (Hope Hotel)
- 4:20 PM, Building 83x
- 4:23 PM, Buildings 825/826

## Money Matters

- Your official travel expenses, per diem, lodging, and any other costs associated with your attendance at DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB are the responsibility of your government.
- Due to the short duration of the course (less than five weeks), students are to be paid in an advance prior to departing their home country. Please annotate the advance on the student's ITO. Exception: Students coming from DLI.
- You **MUST** arrive with sufficient funds to cover your billeting, meals, and other expenses while you are here at DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB.
- VISA and MasterCard credit cards are widely accepted around Dayton and WPAFB.
- There are also numerous ATMs around Dayton and WPAFB

# Food and Drink

- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB may provide a free shuttle service to take you to local restaurants in the evenings and on weekends. This service is dependent upon need and usage.
- There are limited options for meals around the lodging or around DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB. However, your room will have a microwave oven, a refrigerator, and other amenities, so you will have some capability to cook in your room.
- Many DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB students find it most convenient to bring lunch to DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB during the school week. DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB's student lounge has a galley with a refrigerator, a freezer, several coffee stations with hot water dispensers, and several microwave ovens.
- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB provides a "coffee mess" that you can join for \$7.00 per week for unlimited coffee, or you can pay 50 cents per cup. We also provide tea bags for 50 cents each and soft drinks for \$1.50 each.
- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB enforces a "covered mug" policy, that is, we do not allow open-top beverage cups anywhere in DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB spaces, especially classrooms. We will issue you a souvenir DSCU covered mug at no cost. We do not permit bottles or
- Wright-Patterson AFB mug at no cost. We do permit bottles with a cap.

# Conduct of the Course

- Your first day of class will start at 0800 hrs
- Busses will leave lodging at approximately 0700 and 0730. The welcome packet that your DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB greeter will provide, or that will be waiting for you at the hotel, will include a detailed bus schedule
- Note that DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB is on Area B of WPAFB, which is not contiguous to Areas A where the VOQ or Hope Hotel is located. That means that you will have to go off-base and then back on-base to get to DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB. Make sure you carry your base pass.
- Graduation for all courses will be at 1200 hrs on the last Friday of the course. Due to airport security requirements, please do not schedule your departure flight until after 1600 hrs that day.
- DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB normally will not authorize early departures except for bona fide emergencies.
- We look forward to seeing you here at DSCU Wright-Patterson AFB in the near future. Have a safe and comfortable journey.