

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM AND DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY

We, the undersigned, hereby agree and affirm the establishment of a strategic partnership between the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) and the George Mason University (GMU), Department of Public and International Affairs, leading to a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree. The partnership will be subject to the following terms and conditions:

- The MPA program will be available to any member of the Department of Defense Acquisition, Technology & Logistics (AT&L) workforce who meets graduate admission requirements.
- MPA candidates must complete the degree requirements published in the GMU catalog in effect at the time of initial registration as a degree-seeking student.
- A maximum of twelve (12) credits from DAU may be transferred to George Mason University and applied toward the MPA degree. The DAU courses must be evaluated as graduate level by the American Council on Education, as published within the *Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services*, and meet other GMU criteria for transfer credit as stated in the applicable university catalog.
- All transferred DAU courses will be applied toward the MPA electives. Students who have not completed the equivalent of 12 credits of graduate-level coursework through DAU will complete the remaining elective credits through GMU coursework. The student's faculty advisor will provide guidance in choosing courses to meet program requirements.

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