



ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN DEFENSE ACQUISITION DECISION MAKING (MASL P319036)

This eight day course examines ethics and integrity in defense acquisition decision making and the fundamental characteristics of a fair and transparent public procurement system. Emphasis is placed on creating and sustaining an organizational culture that is grounded in individual ethical behavior. The importance of sound and enforceable legislation and policy is examined throughout the course. Ethics and integrity are critical to defense acquisition, procurement and logistic systems as they enable public trust and confidence in organizations and they demonstrate a commitment to reasoned decision making through policy and its enforcement.

Objectives:

The key themes of this course include:

- Creating the organizational framework for ethical defense resource management and decision making through the procurement process.
- Setting standards of conduct for individual and organizational accountability.
- Developing and managing organizational protocols that will result in ethical behavior.
- Designing transparent systems that deter and detect unethical behavior.
- Establishing lines of authority that ensure policies, procedures and processes are in place, understood, practiced, and enforced.
- Monitoring, oversight, and feedback of corrective action

Topics:

- Ethics and Integrity in Defense Acquisition Defined
- Ethical Culture, Leadership, and Compliance
- Characteristics of Ethical Decision Making Systems
- Role of Government, Legislature and Ministries
- Individual & Group Ethics: Organizational Challenges
- Causes & Effects of Ethical Defense Acquisition Resource Management Systems
- Global Impact & Implications for Ethics and Integrity
- Ethics and Integrity in Defense Acquisition: A Survey Instrument
- Case Study: Industry and Benefits of Ethical Standards

Learning methodologies include lecture, open discussion, in class exercises and case studies. Course participants are challenged to make supportable decisions in difficult and dynamic situations.

Participants:

This course is designed for international military officers and civilian equivalents of grades 04-06 who are involved in defense acquisition decision making systems.

Programming:

The course is exported and customized given a country's specific requirements.