
Potential College Credit for Selected DISAM Courses

At the request of the Defense Institute of Security Assistance Management (DISAM), the American Council on Education (ACE) recently conducted an evaluation of the Security Assistance Management - Overseas (SAM-O) and CONUS (SAM-C) courses. Founded in 1918, ACE is the nation's association for coordinating higher education. For more than fifty years, ACE's military programs department has been translating military courses and occupations into academic credit. Based on its evaluation of military programs, ACE makes recommendations with respect to the number and level of credit hours that a college or university might wish to accept for transfer credit with respect to Department of Defense courses.

In 1978, ACE recommended that the SAM-O course receive three semester hours of upper-division baccalaureate credit in international business. In light of substantive enhancements made to the SAM-C course in recent months, it, too, is expected to receive a favorable ACE recommendation for college credit. Within six weeks, DISAM should receive the final ACE notification and will announce the results, once known. The ACE evaluation is part of DISAM's ongoing efforts to maintain a recognized quality education program for the defense security cooperation community.