Technology can change anything. Even how we protect our country.

Immerse in leading technology firms to bring innovative solutions back to the Department of Defense

Become a Defense Venture Fellow

Shift's Defense Ventures Program, in partnership with AFWERX, is now accepting Fellowship applications for 2023.

The Fellowship is an industry immersion program that selects innovative officers, enlisted personnel, and DoD civilians in the midst of their careers to join venture capital firms and technology companies across the US for eight weeks to bring the latest commercial tech trends and innovation back to the Department of Defense.

How does the program work?

In 2023, Shift will host Fellows from across the DoD, with immersions focused on venture capital, the startup ecosystem, cybersecurity, and artificial intelligence.

- Two weeks of part-time work to prepare fellows with industry background (approx. 6-10 hours/week)
- Six weeks of full-time immersion with a technology company or venture capital firm.
- Capstone project to capture and share your experience.

Who can apply?

- Employees of the DoD (active duty, guard & reserve, civilian)
- Minimum three years of professional work experience preferred
- Must be available for a full-time commitment to the program (CDR approval required if selected).
- Fellowship will be hybrid, virtual, and in-person

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decentralized solutions by

General Charles Q. Brown, Jr. USAF Chief of Staff

Upcoming Sessions

Session 2	Part-time June 26 - July 14 Full-time July 17 - Aug. 25
Session 3	Part-time Aug. 7 - 18 Full-time Aug. 21 - Sept. 29
Session 4	Part-time Sept. 18 - 29 Full-time Oct. 2 - Nov. 10

