

# Basic Engagement Skills Train-the-Trainer

## COURSE DETAILS

MC CID:	N030JZ3
LENGTH:	12 days (10 Training days)
LOCATION:	Fort Story, VA
TYPE TRAINING:	Individual/Unit
MASL:	
NUMBER OF STUDENTS:	14
REPORTING TIME:	0800

## FY17 RESIDENT SCHEDULE

Please contact MCSCG S3 for latest course dates:  
Commercial: (757) 962-4430 (ext. 2264)  
DSN: 438-4430

**\*COURSE DATES MAY BE REFINED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE OPERATING FORCES**



## PURPOSE

This program of instruction provides a Marine with fundamental knowledge of the designated Basic Engagement Skills (BES) and certification as Primary Instructor to teach the BES classes. The intent behind the course is to offer MCSCG and non-MCSCG units the opportunity to train instructors who can assist the MEFs with meeting the growing demand for Marines to be prepared for Security Cooperation (SC) missions. An implied objective is to provide quality control and standardization of concepts and lexicon across the Marine Corps with regards to the core engagement skills required of Marines of all ranks who execute SC missions. The target audience for the BEST3 is a Sergeant or above. This program of instruction provides a Marine with basic knowledge and skills required to interact with a member of a Foreign Security Force (FSF) as part of a Security Cooperation (SC) mission. The target audience for the Basic Engagement Skill Train-the-Trainer Course is Staff Sergeant thru Captain serving in a SC capacity.

## SCOPE

The two-week BEST3 course consists of an orientation to the core BES content, multiple days of faculty-advisor discussion groups, rehearsals of instruction, at least one formal certification period of instruction per student, and an oral board on the BES content per student. Members of the Training Instructor Group Advisor Fundamentals section serve as faculty advisors and guide students through the process of learning the material, instructor certification, and execution of the oral board. Students receive instructional material that includes the lesson plans for each BES class prior to attending the course. Students will receive instruction in Introduction to Security Cooperation, Non-Verbal Communication, Establish Cross-Cultural Relationships, Recognize Cultural Stress, Communicate Through an Interpreter, and Foreign Disclosure. The three-day Basic Engagement Skills provides fundamental engagement skills training to prepare Marines for overseas Security Cooperation missions. Through formal instruction practical application, students learn to build and maintain relationships and rapport with FSF counterparts, understand nonverbal communication, learn to recognize and mitigate cultural stress, and learn how to employ interpreters. Students graduate prepared to interact with a Foreign Security Force in order to develop its organizational capability and capacity in accordance with US Government, Service, and FSF objectives. Portions of the course are classified **Secret**.

## PREREQUISITES

Students are required to complete the following on line courses:

- a. USMC Cyber Awareness Training (Marinet Course Code-CYBERM0000)
- b. RCLF Culture 101 (Marinet Course Code- CLRCULT01A)
- c. Advising Foreign Security Forces 101 Course ([Joint Knowledge Online-J7SN-US333](#))
- d. DISAM: Security Cooperation Familiarization Course ([www.disam.dsca.mil](http://www.disam.dsca.mil) Course Code SCM-FA-OL)
- e. Human Rights Awareness Education ([Joint Knowledge Online-J3SN-US649-HB](#))
- f. Basic Instructor Skills Course (Marinet Course Code- BISC-010)

**Special guidance:**

Visit MCSCG website to find the Command Screening Checklist (CSC) and reporting instructions. Students must arrive with the CSC ***completed and endorsed by a BN CO or above***, have all prerequisites met, and possess the appropriate gear needed for course in accordance with the reporting instructions. Students must also bring a copy of the completion certificates to the first day of the course.

## SECURITY CLEARANCE

### SECRET CLEARANCE IS MANDATORY!!

Students are required to have a valid Secret Clearance. Security clearance verification must be done for all participants who require access to classified spaces, materials or briefs. The primary means for transmitting the visit request is via Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS). The SMO Code 200031FN5.

Security clearance verification must contain the following information: Full name; rank, grade, or rate; date and place of birth; social security number; citizenship of proposed student; name and address of the activity to be visited; date and duration of the proposed visit; security clearance of proposed visitor, investigation type, date of investigation; and phone number and verifying signature of the Security Manager (if Faxed). The fax number to MCSCG is (757) 962-4431.

## QUOTA CONTROL

All personnel that wish to attend the BEST3, please contact:

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## Course Overview

### Basic Engagement Skills

This annex provides a student with knowledge and skills necessary to be effectively interact with a FSF. The Marine receives instruction on Introduction to Security Cooperation, Recognizing Culture Shock, Non-Verbal Communication, Establishing Cross-Culture Relationships, Employing Interpreters, and Foreign Disclosure.

