EM 578 Conceptual Construction Estimating

The Cost Analysis (GCA) program is designed to advance the knowledge and creative problem solving skills needed to effectively estimate program resources within the global military, U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) and the United States Air Force (USAF) environments.

Cost analysts provide services that allow decision makers to accurately estimate the cost of their programs, to compare the cost of alternatives, and to help make informed decisions with regards to prudent resource allocation choices. This program is designed to educate the Cost Estimating Professional. It will help your organization meet government expectations, and ultimately result in cost estimates with greater accuracy and realism. President Barack Obama, which created the Directorate of Cost Analysis and Program Evaluation within the DOD, and increases awareness of cost estimating issues. The CEA addresses a critical need for personnel as the DOD doubles the number of professional estimators in the near future. From the Naval Post Graduate Education Distance Learning Program

"Uninterrupted experience is important with the firm I work for, and going to graduate school fulltime was financially impossible. The Purdue program was a perfect match. It allowed for continuous employment while studying for an advanced degree in construction management."