



# SECURITY CLEARANCES

## TOP SECRET WAY TO EARN MORE MONEY!

Everyone has to work. But what if there was a secret code to earning more for doing the same job?

There is! Jobs that require security clearances pay more than jobs that do not.

So, how do you earn a security clearance?

You have to be a US citizen, follow the law, model good behavior, make good decisions with money, use information technology responsibly, and be loyal to the United States.



## WHAT IS A SECURITY CLEARANCE?

Certain information and locations are protected by law. In order to access confidential information or locations an individual must be investigated to assure that he or she will keep this information and what goes on in these locations secret.

Occupation	Security Clearance Clearancejobs.com	Without Security Clearance bls.gov
IT Management Executive	\$116,935	\$86,179
Engineering - Aerospace & Aviation	\$92,923	\$69,700
Security - Intrusion Detection	\$83,158	\$75,365
Engineering-Electrical	\$80,392	\$62,280
Linguist, Translator or Interpreter	\$70,952	\$62,789
Cement Mason/Concrete Finisher	\$27.15/hr	\$17.93/hr
Electrician	\$29.65/hr	\$23.12/hr
Gardener/Grounds Keeper	\$28.83/hr	\$20.06/hr
Truck Driver - Heavy & Tractor Trailer	\$23.51/hr	\$18.06/hr
Registered Nurse	\$71,410	\$62,480

## LEVELS OF SECURITY CLEARANCES

- Confidential
- Secret
- Top Secret

## KEY FACTORS FOR CLEARANCE

1. Trustworthiness
2. Character
3. Judgment

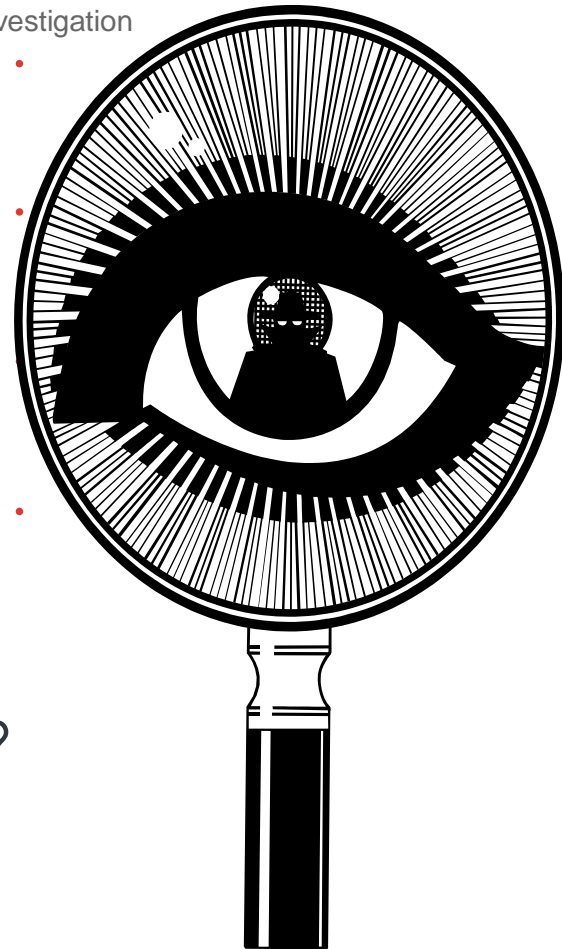
## REPUTATION MANAGEMENT TIPS

- Value relationships with others
- Respect the ownership of intellectual property
- Limit the information you share about yourself
- Project a positive image through your posts

# The Security Clearance Investigation

The background investigation helps determine your honesty, trustworthiness, reliability, discretion, character, judgment, and unquestioned loyalty to the United States. There are 13 guidelines used in the security clearance investigation

- Allegiance to the United States
  - Foreign Influence
  - Foreign Preference
  - Sexual Behavior
  - Personal Conduct
  - Financial Considerations
  - Alcohol Consumption
  - Drug Involvement
  - Psychological Conditions
  - Handling Protected Information
  - Criminal Conduct
  - Outside Activities
  - Use of Information Technology Systems
- For more detailed information about these 13 Adjudicative guidelines see <http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/dcid6-4/class.htm>



## Nobody's Perfect: What if I make a mistake?

There is a process which looks at the mistake you made to determine whether or not you will earn your clearance. This process reviews your conduct for the following 9 characteristics:

1. The nature, extent, and seriousness of the conduct;
2. The circumstances surrounding the conduct, to include knowledgeable participation;
3. The frequency of the conduct; behavioral changes;
4. The individual's age and maturity at the time of the conduct;
5. The voluntariness of participation;
6. The presence or absence of rehabilitation and other pertinent
7. The motivation for the conduct;
8. The potential for pressure, coercion, exploitation, or duress; and
9. The likelihood of continuation or recurrence.