





EDUCATION ASSISTANCE at FORT RUCKER

The Education Counselors at the Rucker Continuing Education and Testing Center can assist personnel in starting or completing a college degree or certificate. We offer the following services and more:

- GoArmyEd and Tuition Assistance support
- · Financial aid counseling
- Military and academic testing and preparation resources
- Education counseling for active duty, retirees, family members, and DOD affiliated personnel
- Army Apprenticeship Program information
- · Army Commissioning Program information
- Basic Skills Education Program
- · Veterans Education Benefits information

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FIND THE SCHOOL FOR YOU

Representatives from Fort Rucker-partnered colleges and universities are available to explain the programs and coursework that schools offer locally.

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Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Worldwide Fort Rucker

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Enterprise State Community College

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Global School of Aeronautics

334-400-7373

www.globalschoolofaeronautics.com

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334-598-2443 www.trov.edu



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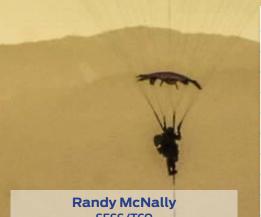
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WELCOME TO THE FORT RUCKER EDUCATION CENTER! GREAT RESOURCES AWAIT!





Hi, I would like to welcome and invite you to the Fort Rucker Education Center! My name is Randy McNally and I am the Fort Rucker Education Center Manager. It is my privilege to work beside a very dedicated team with the specific goal of assisting military members, their families, veterans, and Department of Army civilians preparing for their futures. Being one of the lucky individuals to be able to work in a job that I feel has a great impact on people's lives, the Education Center staff and I feel very passionate about assisting people with career/education counseling and testing.

As you should know, Education is not only one of the best ways to grow in knowledge and understanding, to open one's mind to new information, and strengthen our ability to make more informed decisions, but also to achieve career opportunities. It is the best way to enter into a career and move upward. By challenging ourselves to achieve academic and vocational goals, we are committing ourselves to accomplishing long-term goals that will have a significant impact

Hi, I would like to welcome and invite you on our lives and the lives of our families/othe Fort Rucker Education Center! My communities.

In this Stars and Stripes booklet, you will be shown a lot of information pertaining to programs and opportunities offered to the Fort Rucker military community to assist its members with committing and achieving those life-changing goals. Take advantage of these benefits. They have been put in place as recognition of the great sacrifices that you and your family members have made or are making for the rest of us. Don't miss the opportunities provided for you.

As you look at the team picture to the left, and read through these pages, you will begin to see how our team works together in support of you. From counseling, to testing, to training, and career guidance, we are all here for you and your family.

The newest edition to the Fort Rucker Education Family is Counselor Kristina Baston. We are so happy to have Ms. Baston join our family!

Courtesy of the Fort Rucker
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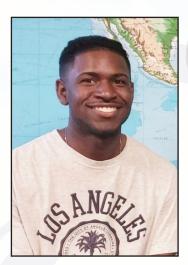
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FORT RUCKER EDUCATION CENTER HEROES

CONGRATULATIONS to our FAST/BSEP Class Heroes! These Soldiers have risen to the challenge to not only accomplish, but supersede so many educational goals!



MS4 Weaver is the epitome of an Education Center Hero! MS4 Weaver has shown outstanding resilience in the achievement of his education goals! MS4 Weaver in-processed here at Fort Rucker, and used every ounce of his education briefing to the max! MS4 Weaver attended the FAST/BSEP class and improved his GT score by over 15 points!

Goals Achieved: In the 2nd year of completing the Green to Gold Program (G2G)! When he graduates, he will be a 2LT! He completed his Associates degree with Troy University with Global Business Administration. Now he is a full time G2G student at Georgia State University.

His advice is to take advantage of all the education center has to offer you as a Soldier.



SPC Ceesay is an Education Center Hero, because not only did he improve his score by 24 points (Ft Rucker Record), he has also shown extreme perseverance in obtaining his bachelor's degree in psychology. SPC Ceesay states that, by taking the FAST/BSEP class his confidence about completing mathematical problems without the use of a calculator has extremely improved. Also learning how to rely on educational skills with confidence was the best benefit of

Future Goals: Become a Commissioned Officer

Advice for Future Soldiers: Work hard and take the practice tests seriously. Do not be scared to stop and ask questions before going on to the next section.



SFC Campo is another Education Center Hero! SFC Campo attended the February FAST/BSEP class and has stopped at nothing to showcase his brilliance, accomplishing goal after goal! SFC Campo studied hard, and always portrayed leadership in class. SFC Campo improved his AFCT score by a whopping 21 points!

Goals Achieved: After preparing for the AFCT Math in class, I went to Troy University, and was able to CLEP a math course. I then used the Ed Center to take and pass the SIFT test. Next, I enrolled into Central Texas College, and now I'm only a semester away from graduation. I plan to apply to become a Flight Warrant Officer.

Advice for Future Soldiers: This is not high school anymore, it is your career, it's about you, and you should take it seriously. Create study habits, take time to study, and take baby steps.

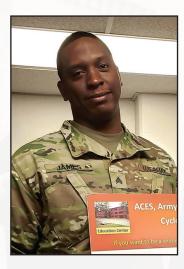


PFC Hughes is on the path to greatness! She has shown success in persevering to strive for excellence with her educational goals; therefore she is definitely an Education Center Heroine!

Goals Achieved: Since the FAST/BSEP class, I registered with Central Texas College for an Associate of Science degree in General Studies.

Future Goals: Now that I have the AFCT score that I wanted, I am going to complete the Green to Gold packet.

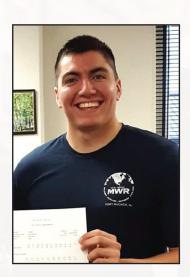
Advice for Future Soldiers: Even when you get a little frustrated, keep going! Never give up!



SGT James is an Education Center Hero, because not only did he attend the FAST/BSEP class and improve his score by 17 points, but SGT James also showed extreme resiliency to further and accomplish all of the goals he set.

Goals Achieved: I was able to reclass into a 15 Echo, and was able to get the job that I strived for.

Advice for Future Soldiers: Pay attention in the FAST/BSEP class, there is a method to the madness. Ms. Elizabeth is an awesome instructor.



SPC Huesca holds the honor of being the top scorer in his cohort. Huesca showcased dynamic leadership skills throughout the whole course. Huesca is another Education Center Hero!

Goals Achieved: He began his study of a Bachelor's degree of Science in Air Traffic Control, at Thomas Edison State University.

Future Goals: To become a commissioned officer and to eventually apply to Troops to Teachers.

Advice for Future Students: Don't second-guess yourself!

Photos courtesy of Fort Rucker Army Education Center

FAST TRACK YOUR FUTURE!

Kenya Fuller Admin/MLF Coordinator



Did your commander tell you that you need a 110 General Technical Score (GT) for a certain Military Occupational Specialty (MOS)?

Or maybe your GT score is good but you need to improve other line scores for a certain MOS?

What do you do?

The FAST class could help. The FAST class (Functional Academics Skills Training) is a commander's on-duty training program for soldiers needing to improve academics and job related math and reading skills. The FAST class is 3 weeks long, from 0800 to 1200, Mon thru Friday. On the first day, students will be administered the TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education) to find out where improvements are needed. Half way through the course students will take a GT Predictor exam to show the level

of improvement since the first day. At the end of the course students will be administered the ASVAB, now called AFCT (Armed Forces Classification Test), for their final score. I assist a lot of soldiers in this course and when they get the score they want it feels great to know I had something to do with it! So if you are in need of GT improvement don't hesitate to contact the Education Center. It would be my pleasure to help!

– Courtesy of the Fort Rucker Army Education Center Ms. Elizabeth Whaley Fast Class/BSEP Instructor



DANTES EDUCATION BENEFITS APP

Information on your Defense Department education benefits is available in the palm of your hand, anytime, anywhere you want it. The My VolEd Path mobile app is a tool aimed at increasing awareness of and access to voluntary education programs and benefits for military members. The app serves as a discovery tool to help you begin to build personal pathways to your individual education and career goals. It also serves as another resource to demonstrate the Department of Defense (DoD) Voluntary Education (VolEd) program's commitment to ensuring you are properly informed of the educational opportunities available. The My VolEd Path mobile app can be downloaded from the Apple App Store and through Google Play.

Tool to Help Counselors & School Representatives

One of the voluntary education community's strengths is its myriad of professional education counselors and school representatives from academic institutions under the DoD Voluntary Education Partnership Memorandum of Understanding (DoD MOU). The My VolEd Path mobile app helps these professionals empower you and other military students to navigate the vast amount of available information. Counselors and school representatives may encourage students to use the app to aid in making informed decisions

on the right programs and benefits that will help them prepare and be ready to succeed while pursuing post-secondary education. The app can be used to begin the process of clearly defining education goals and connecting to those resources that will be the most beneficial throughout a member's education journey. The app may also save counselors time during advisement sessions by familiarizing students with voluntary education terminology, programs, and how to access resources.

A key feature of the mobile app is the discovery tool designed to quickly assess and generate recommended programs. You can "Create a New VolEd Path" by answering a few short questions about your career and education goals. Based on these responses, you will receive program cards that introduce you to programs you may be interested in learning more about. Once those selections are made, you are taken to your personal pathway to help reach your goals.

Voluntary Education Pathways

The "My Pathway" section of the app provides you with a customized checklist to support the pursuit of your education goals. You will see a snapshot of your discovery tool selections to remind you of the options you chose. Because you are able to create multiple pathways, this reminder allows you to be clear on the pathway that

corresponds to a particular goal (for example: military advancement, officer accession, college degree, etc.). Next, you'll receive the option to "Find a Counselor" and explore "Recommended Programs".

The programs included on the "Recommended Program" list will include those voluntary education programs that best correspond to your current education level and future education goal. As you select a program, you'll be taken to an overview of how the program may help you prepare for college and career advancement, find support as you pursue schooling, and save time and money while completing degree requirements. To find more detailed program information, you can select "Learn More". If you are ready to get started with using a program, you can select "Try Now" to be instantly connected to register for a program. You are also able to share your recommended pathways directly with their education counselor through email or social media.

Connections to Counselors

When using the app, you are able to connect to voluntary education professionals through the "Find a Counselor" feature. By selecting a branch of Service, CONUS or OCONUS, and state, you are presented with all of the education centers available in the state or location selected. The app includes additional functionality that connects

directly to the mobile device's call features to allow you to contact the education center. The education center location and street address are also included. If you prefer virtual assistance, the branch of service selection will automatically populate the appropriate Virtual Education Center or voluntary education portal information.

Education Program Information

Not everyone who uses the app may want to complete the discovery tool assessment. If you are simply interested in learning about of the available programs, you can select "All Benefits" from the main menu. This will bring you to an overview of all the program included in the app and links to additional program information. From here, you can also access each program by selecting "Try Now".

Videos, Podcasts, & News

Because there are various ways learners consume information, the mobile app includes videos and audio podcasts. These resources will be updated on a regular basis and provide program benefit information and tutorials based on frequently asked questions. The app also includes articles on various education topics from the DANTES4Military.com blog for servicemembers. Each week, new articles are available that offer guidance, advice, encouragement,

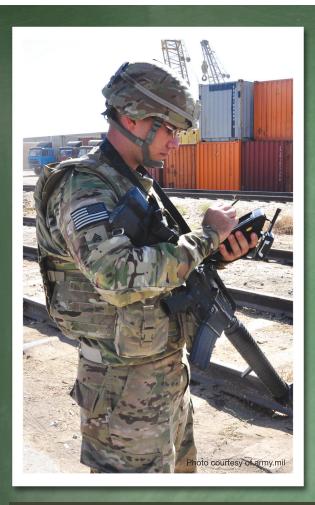
and information that supports you and other military students pursuing voluntary education.

FAQs, Resources, and Encouragement

An important aspect of promoting quality education opportunities for servicemembers is ensuring you have adequate support. In addition to being able to "Find a Counselor", the app provides you with connections to DANTES support resources. From any screen within the app, you can select the question mark at the top right-hand corner of the screen to be connected to either chat live with a DANTES representative via instant messenger or send a message for an email response. In the "FAQ and Resources" section, you can find answers to frequently asked questions and links to helpful resources.

You and other My VoIEd Path users will also benefit from positive reinforcement and periodic encouragement through badges. You can earn badges for reaching certain milestones within the app. These badges can be viewed with their profile and are also shareable on social media. To download and view the My VoIEd Path mobile app, visit MyVoIEdPath.com or the Apple App and Google Play Stores.

- Courtesy of Military.com



CAREER SKILLS PROGRAM YOU'RE HIRED!

ARMY CAREER SKILLS PROGRAM TO AID IN TRANSITION.

One of the most important questions Soldiers start asking themselves when getting ready to transition out of the military is, "What am I going to do next"? The good news is that the military has an answer for that, and it is called the Army Career Skills Program (CSP). The Army CSP is a component of the Soldier Life Cycle that encourages soldiers to capitalize on training and development opportunities throughout their military careers – both in uniform and as civilians beyond their military service. CSPs provide Soldiers with the opportunity to participate in career and employment skill training opportunities during transition, to improve employment options upon separation from military service.

CSP Highlights

- 1. Soldiers are eligible if they are within 180 days of discharge/release from military service.
- CSPs afford Soldiers the opportunity to participate in first-class apprenticeships, on-the-job training (OJT), job shadowing, and employment sills training up to 180 days prior to separation from the Army.
- Solders have the opportunity to move into highdemand and highly-skilled jobs.
- 4. 5-day Department Of Labor Workshop must be

completed prior to enrollment in CSP.

- Commanders must approve Soldier's application; companies select participants.
- 6. A commander may terminate a Soldier's participation out of military necessity.
- 7. Appropriated funds will not be used to pay for CSPs (TA is not authorized)
- 8. Majority of CSPs are free to Army & Soldiers; Soldiers cannot receive outside compensation.

At the Fort Rucker Army Continuing Education
Center, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University does
briefings for Soldiers interested in their Microsoft
Software & Systems Academy through Fort Benning.
Assistant Campus Director of ERAU Fort Rucker, Pam
Ridlehoover states the biggest benefits to Soldiers
are, "being able to walk away from the program with a
direct interview with Microsoft or one of their partners.
These positions usually offer a very decent salary."

- Courtesy of Delores Williams, ACES Fort Rucker

TYPES OF CAREER SKILLS PROGRAMS

- Credentialing The process of meeting certain professional and technical standard and earning official recognition in the form of certificates, licensure, and other official verification of competency accepted by civilian industry or federal, state or local authorities.
- Internships A system of on-the-job-training (OJT) offered by a provider to eligible servicemembers to develop job and employment skills training assisting them to gain employment in the civilian sector. Must be completed in federal, state, or local government, or in the private sector consisting of OJT and work experience for entry-level positions.
- Job Shadowing A work experience option where individuals observe the day to day activities of someone in the current work force. No participation limit to the number of job shadowing opportunities in which the soldier participates.
- On-the-Job Training (OJT) Employment training and tasks learned at a place
 of work while performing an actual job. An OJT or employment skills training program
 must adhere to certain criteria.
- Apprenticeship The combination of On-the-Job Training and related classroom instruction under the supervision of a trade official. Employer and union groups, individual employers, or employer association jointly sponsor these programs.

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*Please note this is not a full listing

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Total CSPs

194

JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD

- Airstreams Renewables, Inc Commercial Driving School
- GAF Roofing
- Heavy Equipment College of America (HECoA)
- Intercontinental Hotels Group (IHG)
- International Union of Painters and
- Allied Trades (IUPAT)
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 Allied Trades (IUPAT) Glazing
- Microsoft Software Systems Academy
- Onward to Opportunity (O2O)
- Pacific Mountain/Work-Ex Internship SMART Heroes
- Troops into Transportation
- United Association Veterans In Piping (UAVIP) Welding, HVAC
- US Chamber of Commerce, Heroes USFS Land Management
- 17 VA WARTAC

FORT WAINWRIGHT, AK Alaska Works

FORT IRWIN, CA

- Airstreams Renewables, Inc.
- Heavy Equipment College of America
- Werner

- Apprenti Amazon Web Services
- Concrete Preservation Institute (addt'l program at Alcatraz, San Francisco, CA)

- program at Alcauaz, San Francisco, Ory CVS Store Manager Training JN Auto Group Microsoft Software Systems Academy (MSSA)

FORT HUACHUCA, AZ

- Arizona SkillBridge
- Intercontinental Hotels Group (IHG) SEALETA
- 4.
- US Chamber of Commerce, Heroes
- Werner CDL

FORT CARSON CO.

- 2. Caliber Collision
- Home Builders Institute
- Microsoft Software Systems
- Onward to Opportunity (O2O) PMG Retool Manufacturing
- Ryder Diesel Mechanics SecureSet Cybersecurity
- Service to Sales
- SMART Heroes
- Solar Ready Vets (DOE) Teamsters TMAP CDL
- UA VIP Welding
 US Chamber of Commerce, 15.
- VA WARTAC
- Vet's Local Gov't Mgmt.

- VA WARTAC

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Fellowship

- **Career Skills Map** FORT RILEY, KS

 1. Airstreams Renewables, Inc
 2. Heroes MAKE America
 3. Intercontinental Hotels Group
- (IHG)
- Ryder Diesel Mechanics Shift Military Fellows Teamsters TMAP CDL

- VA WARTAC

 RT LEAVENWORTH, KS

 Filling the USA 'Skills Gap'

 International Union of Paint
 and Allied Trades (IUPAT)
 US Chamber of Commerce,
- Heroes Vet's Local Gov't Mgmt.

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CA

- ReMax Show Me Heroes
- US Army Corps of Engineers

FORT LEONARD WOOD, MO

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Jones Investment Group

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DETROIT ARSENAL M

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- Rvder Diesel Mechanics
- **Troops into Transportation**
- Warren Caterpillar

- College ComStar Telecommunications
- HBI
- Hiller Transition to Trades
- Mechatronics
 Microsoft Software Systems
 Academy (MSSA)
 Onward to Opportunity (O2O)
- Operation Next
- Ryder Diesel Mechanics UA VIP Fire Sprinkler UA VIP Welding

- Werner CDL Workforce Essentials Internship
- New Horizon
- Onward to Opportunity (O2O)
 R&R Trucking
 Senior Leaders Corp Fellowship

VA

Europe

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EUROPE

VA WARTAC

FORT BUCHANAN, PR

VA WARTAC

HQ IMCOM eMOU

(CHRA)

1. Army Civilian Human

Resources Agency

FORT DRUM, NY

- ABC Construction Armed Forces Conservation
- Corps Heavy Construction Academy
- National Tractor Trailer School
- Onward to Opportunity (O2O)
- Ryder Diesel Mechanics
- Solar Ready Vets
- WEST POINT, NY
- FDM Group IT Prudential

First Data

- FORT MEADE, MD

 1. ProSphere
- University of Maryland Baltimore County Training Centers (UMBC TC)

- Michael and Son HVAC and Plumbing National Security Services (NS2) Parsons-Armed Forces Intro to Project
- Management US Chamber of Commerce, Heroes

- Machining
 New Horizons
 Shipper's Choice CDL
 Global Institute of Technology, GTI
- RT EUSTIS, VA Shipper's Choice CDL TNCC Welding

- Caliber Collision/Changing
- Charter Communications
- CVS Store Manager Training
- Diversified Academy
 Fayetteville Community College
 CDL (FTCC-CDL)
- GAF Roofing Heroes MAKE America
- Home Builders Institute
 InfraSource
 Ingalls Shipbuilding (TASL)
- Innovative Systems Group
 Microsoft Software Systems
- Academy (MSSA)

 NC DPS Correctional Officer

 NC State Farmer and

- Rancher/Agriculture

- NC Truck Driving
 Onward to Opportunity (O2O)
 RC Construction
 Riley Power Group
- Vet Capital Vet Fellowship Werner

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Troops to Firefighters





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 SAP St. Michael's Academy
 Tokyo Electron
 Troops into Transportation
 UA VIP – Welding
 UBC MVAP
 USC MVAP
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 Home Builders Institute Ryder Diesel Mechanics SAP St. Michael's Academ US Chamber of Commerce
- CB&I/ McDermott Electrical **CLTCC** Pipefitting

FORT GORDON, GA VET2 Veterans Education Career Transition Resource (VECTR)

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1. Airstreams Renewables, Inc.
2. Microsoft Software Systems
Academy (MSSA)

Savannah River Operations

- Troops into Transportation Veterans Education Career Transition Resource (VECTR)
- FORT STEWART, GA
- Georgia Power
 Home Builders Institute Ingalls Shipbuilding (TASL)
- Marco's Pizza ReSupply the Military Marketplace
- Ryder Diesel Mechanics
- Troops into Transportation VET2 VA WARTAC
- Veterans Education Career Transition Resource (VECTR)

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*Map updates on a weekly basis due to consistent program growth

CERTIFICATIONS OFFERED AT THE FORT RUCKER CAMPUS





Jeff Van Ness Admissions Coordinator Global Aeronautics

A&P Certification at Fort Rucker

The Global School of Aeronautics (Global) provides state-of-the-art

training to assist in converting aircraft maintenance experience into an FAA Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) license. The company is staffed with military veterans who have an extensive knowledge and background of aircraft maintenance. Their staff is committed to providing students with a superior training experience, which will prove advantageous as you expand your career opportunities.

Careers in Aviation Maintenance provide a dynamic and progressive experience. Specialty occupations such as A&P licensing requires a highly technical level of training and experience. Our nation is dependent upon proficient technicians in order to ensure our countless aircraft remain well-maintained and safe for all travelers. This requires an extensive staff of professionals who work to diagnose and repair all aspects of aircraft, including engines, landing gear, brakes, systems, and other technologies. Numerous aircraft technicians take their general skills and become specialists in certain areas of aircraft maintenance. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that

technicians who have earned their A&P licenses have the best job prospects of all aviation technicians.

Eligibility requirements for A&P certification:

- 18 months practical experience with either airframes or powerplants, or 30 months practical experience working on both; or, graduation from an FAA-Approved Aviation Maintenance Technician School
- Pass three written examinations –
 General, Airframe, and Powerplant
 - · Pass an oral test
 - · Pass a practical test

Global Student Success Story: Mr. Christopher Lowery

"My goal was to root myself into a career program for longevity. Global was able to get me into the A&P course really quickly. Global was easy to work with financially, especially for those coming out of the military enabling them to get certified. Through Global I was able to get the written papers for FAA. The instructors

are down to earth, and make the process an easy one. Going to Global it's easy to transition to civilian life, and it's a direct connect.

Currently, I am in Mobile, Alabama completing the Airbus Program. Without Global, I would not have this opportunity for myself, or my family."

Global teaches A&P licensing in the Education Center at Fort Rucker in Daleville, AL. The Fort Rucker office is open Monday-Thursday from 1100-1600 in Building 4502, Kingsman Street (at Andrews Avenue), Office 236, and may be reached by phone at (334) 400-7373. Their email address is info@globalschoolofaeronautics. com and our website is www. globalschoolofaeronautics.com.

We are enthusiastic about working with you to obtain your A&P license and look forward to hearing from you soon. Classes are being taught frequently, so please contact us at your earliest convenience so that you may be enrolled as quickly as possible.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University offers Microsoft Certifications

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Worldwide has been working with U.S Military servicemembers and civilians since 1970. We have more than 130 worldwide location and more than 90 campuses on military installations around the globe. The Embry-Riddle Fort Rucker Campus offers associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees, as well as undergraduate certificate options.

Many of these certificates are built into our degree programs, such as the one with Microsoft. With a Bachelor of Science in technical management students can use an Applied Information Technologies Specialization to build hands-on software and systems skills – while working towards their Microsoft Professional Certifications. Each specialization is FIVE courses, in sequence, focused on a major software technology area. Three different certificates let you choose between three major areas of information technology (IT) – Server and Cloud Systems, Cloud Applications Development, and Cybersecurity.

Each AIT course incorporates fieldproven, world-class Microsoft official courseware. The successful completion of your specialization, and its associated certification exams, can lead to your earning Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP) credentials, in addition to your academic credits

Embry-Riddle also offers their Bachelor of Science in Engineering 100%

online! The Engineering program is a multidisciplinary engineering degree with hands on learning. The degree will focus on electrical, mechanical, aeronautical and aviation engineering applications. This degree program is designed to help prepare the graduate to take the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) exam that is the first step in obtaining the Professional Engineer (PE) certificate.

Embry-Riddle's flexible degree delivery methods include courses in a classroom, EagleVision home or classroom (webcam based system of learning), online, and blended. Whichever modality you choose we have one that will suit your lifestyle and work schedule.

- Courtesy of the Fort Rucker Army Education Center

Pam Ridlehoover Director Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University



LEVEL UP Your Career with Credentialing Assistance

The demand for workforce development skills is imperative for today's society in both the Army and civilian sector. The Army is answering the call of this demand in a BIG way! In FY20 servicemembers will gain access to over 1600+ credentials by way of the Credentialing Assistance Program (CA)! Servicemembers will have up to \$4000 per fiscal year (FY) for CA. Another added incentive with CA is that books and materials are included. According to ACES Counselor Delores Williams, "the need for credentials in the workforce is imperative. It really speaks to how much the Army listens to servicemembers that this opportunity is available. We see servicemembers everyday come in asking for these amazing credentials and it is so important for them to take advantage of the opportunity and sign up. At Fort Rucker, we will be excited to help servicemembers leverage their educational goals and be life-long learners using credentialing assistance!"

How does the program work?

FY20, CA is expected to launch Army wide. When CA opens for all servicemembers, local ACES Education Center Counselors will be available for one-on-one help to get you started. CA program requests must be completed at least 30 days in advance, so it is important to see your counselor. Servicemembers will have the choice to earn the credentials through an education

institution or a private partner of their choosing. Currently, CA is on a test run at Fort Hood and Fort Campbell, it has proven to be an extremely successful and beneficial program!

What credentials are available and how do I see the list?

Servicemembers can access a full list of credentials on www.cool.army.mil.

The best thing about CA is that servicemembers can request to take any credential listed; it does not have to be MOS specific.

On Army Cool, you can search credentials by a number of different categories including: Credentials In Demand/Not, Promotion Points Eligible, Gap Analysis Findings, E-learning/ Not, Accreditation, Credential Type, and Enlisted/Officer.

What are some top in-demand credentials?

Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH)

Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS)

Certified Lean Six Sigma Green Belt (ICGB)

Certified in Logistics, Transportation and Distribution (CLTD)

Certified Personal Trainer (ACSM-CPT)
Certified Welder (CW)

Commercial Driver License (CDL)

CompTIA A+, Network +, Security +

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT)

Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA)

Professional in Human Resources (PHR)

Project Management Professional (PMP)

*Looking for a specific credential? Check Army Cool for the full list!

How are promotion points awarded for credentials?

Education Centers can evaluate credentials, and promotion point memos to submit to S1. Current guidance from U.S. Army Human Resources Command states, "Army G1 has approved the initiative to award promotion points for technical certifications to Soldiers competing for promotion to Sergeant and Staff Sergeant."

- Ten promotion points for each awarded technical certification
- A maximum of 50 promotion points are authorized for technical certifications
- No additional promotion points are authorized for recertification

 Promotion points will be awarded under civilian education on the DA Form 3355

The finalization of the CA program is still in an evaluative state, and actual regulations can change before the FY20 launch. Contact your local Education Center for any updates.

- Courtesy of Delores Williams, ACES Fort Rucker

Delores Williams ACES EDUCATION COUNSELOR

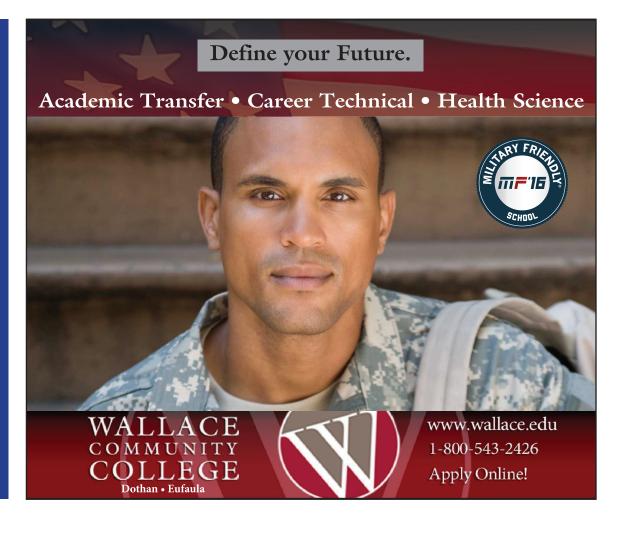




MRS. KRISTINA BASTON

Meet our new counselor Mrs. Kristina Baston Mrs. Baston joins the Fort Rucker Education Center Staff as a 22-year Retired Army

Veteran. She has spent most of her career in Support Services, Security Management, and as a Personnel Manager. She is a true believer in education, and even celebrates the opportunity to have been able to get her master's using Veterans Education Benefits. She notes that being a guidance counselor is her dream job! She believes in the Keys to Success and that, "Your purpose is bigger than your problems"! We are ecstatic to have her join our team, and be the lead on so many projects including Credentialing Assistance.



FORT RUCKER EDUCATION CENTER TESTING CENTER MISSION



Kathy Lindsay Test Examiner

Whether we're administering an online language test (DLPT), the Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT), an FAA Certification test or a Fire Protection E-Exam. we try to create a comfortable environment for our testers to show what they really know. We understand the importance of these tests. There's a goal the tester is trying to accomplish. To obtain that goal they must prove their proficiency

in the discipline by testing. Often these tests lead to promotion points, reenlistment eligibility, and qualifications for new MOS's or certifications to obtain a job in or out of the military. They take it seriously and so do we.

Our Army Personnel Tests (APT) are offered only to active-duty military, Reserve and National Guard but FAA and E-Exams are also offered to qualifying civilians. Go to our Facebook page to see our current testing schedule and call us at 334 255-3651 to schedule your test.



Free FAA Testing Available for Some at Education Center

The Fort Rucker Education Center has offered free FAA testing for years, but with recent personnel changes we're now open to offering free testing to other affiliated members of the military. Previous testing was limited to active-duty military, retired military, reserve and national guard. We're now able to test dependents of active-duty military and DoD Civilians. Many of these tests can cost hundreds of dollars so this will help our military affiliated members offset some of the cost of getting FAA certified. There are still restrictions for age and background checks for dependents but we're hoping the community will take advantage of this offering. Check out our Facebook https://www.facebook.com/ruckeredcenter/ page for details.

SOLDIER HIGHLIGHT:

Congratulations CW4 Lund on a perfect 100 score FAA exam!

FAA Requirements for Hobbyist and Commercial Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Pilots

The latest aeronautic craze has hit the U.S. and the interest in unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) otherwise known as drones, is growing rapidly. This is not just a technology being embraced by aerial hobbyist. UAS is being used commercially for its surveillance and delivery capabilities. Like most new technologies regulations must be put in place to insure it is being used responsibly and within the law. We've all seen the headlines concerning some of the drone hobbyist pilots being involved in anything from community nuisance to shutting down airports. Because the UAS/ Drone technology has this capability the FAA has developed regulations that help to spell out the "Do's and Don'ts" of drone ownership. First and most importantly is the licensing and registration of UAS/Drone pilots. Certifications and regulations differ depending on whether you're a hobbyist of a commercial pilot.

Check out the links on our Facebook page for more information. Fort Rucker Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/ruckeredcenter/

FAA Drone Certification:

https://www.faa.gov/uas/commercial_operators/ Drone registration information:

https://www.faa.gov/uas/getting_started/register_drone/

- Courtesy of Delores Williams, ACES Fort Rucker

TEST		DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBLE TO TEST
AFCT*	Armed Forces Classification Test	Multi-part test used to identify aptitudes and areas of career potential.	Active-duty military, reserve, national guard
DLPT/ DLAB/OPI*	Defense language Proficiency Test and the Defense Language Aptitude Test	Battery of foreign language tests used by the DoD to assess general language proficiency. DLAB is a standardized test used to determine natural ability to learn a language.	Active-duty military, reserve, national guard
SIFT*	Selection Instrument Flight Test	Exam for candidates wishing to progress to later stages of an Army Aviation career.	Active-duty military, reserve, national guard
E-Exam	CDC, PME and SC online exams offered by AirUniversity.	Online E-Exams for Fire Protection and medical agencies offered after completing by AirUniversity courses.	Active-duty military, reserve, national guard and qualifying civilians
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration Tests	FAA tests for airplane, helicopter, traffic control and unmanned aerial systems.	Active-duty military, reserve, national guard, retired military, dependents of active-duty military, DoD Civilians.
*APT (Army Personnel Test)			

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRANSITIONING SERVICEMEMBERS



Interested in Pursuing/ Continuing Education after your military service?

Education, whether through an institute of higher learning, vocational or technical training, or certification, may increase opportunities for advancement and income earning potential.

Accessing Higher Education Track Overview

By selecting this track, you decided higher education will be part of your "after military service" career development path. This workshop is designed to help guide you through the variety of decisions involved in choosing a degree program, college institution, and funding, as well as the admissions process. The expected future outcome is you eventually creating a customized plan for a successful transition to a higher education institution.

Participant Benefits

Upon completing the two-day workshop, you will have a greater understanding of funding factors, veteran's support groups, institutional selection factors, and admission processes.

Contact Soldier for Life – Transition Assistance program to register.

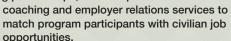


Onward to Opportunity (020)

Supported by grants from JPMorgan Chase & Co. and the Schultz Family Foundation, Onward to Opportunity – formerly known as the Veterans Career Transition Program – utilizes an online learning platform to help active-duty, selected reserve, veterans, and military spouses learn business, technology, and customer service skills to accomplish their personal and professional goals. Participants may choose to work towards one of our supported industry certifications administered by globally recognized organizations. O2O combines industry-validated curricula, strong partnerships, and comprehensive career

Diana Alicea match program opportunities.

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O2O offers:

- Free opportunity that does not utilize educational benefits
- Assistance preparing for recognized industry certification exams
- Connection to veteran-service organizations and private sector companies committed to training and hiring veterans

For detailed information on eligibility requirements and course offerings visit: https://ivmf.syracuse.edu/onward-to-opportunity/.

- Courtesy of the Fort Rucker Army Education Center

FORT RUCKER SOLDIER FOR LIFE TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SFL-TAP)

The SFL-TAP provides transition and employment assistance to Soldiers and their adult family members who are transitioning from active-duty, veterans and retirees, and DoD civilian employees in a Reduction in Force status. Pre-separation planning includes benefits information, job search skills development, career guidance, job search assistance and other guidance relevant to a thorough transition

Are you interested in developing an effective job search plan? If so, you'll want to take advantage of the SFL-TAP classes that provide detailed information on how to do so. SFL-TAP staff members and the Department of Labor representatives who teach the classes have "been there and done that." They've all transitioned from military service (as either a military member or dependent) to the private sector, they've all had the opportunity to apply and interview for jobs, and they've all had extensive training in what it takes to conduct a successful job search.

Would you like to develop resumes and cover letters that best market your qualifications for the jobs you're interested in? SFL-TAP classes provide comprehensive guidance on how to do so. Additionally, once you've attended classes, you can work one-onone with trained counselors and get their help in perfecting and polishing your resumes and cover letters. At this point, perhaps you're questioning the use of the plural--"resumes" rather than "resume." After all, you might wonder, isn't a resume a resume? Or, why would I need more than one? Well, you might not, but most people do. Usually, different jobs require different resumes. For each individual job, you emphasize the qualifications, experience, and skills you have that are applicable to that specific job listing. The classes and counselors can help you learn how to tailor your resumes for a particular job so you can best market yourself.

TAP EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOPS

TAP Workshops are designed to teach you how to search for jobs and will prove useful for the rest of your working life. Additionally, subject matter experts will brief you on all your VA benefits. Call (334) 255-2558 to register for a workshop. Additionally, there are three, two-day seminars that you can sign up to take: Assessing Higher Education, Entrepreneurship, and Career Exploration and Planning. These will prove very useful to you.

Mortiz Hall, Building 4502 (Fort Rucker Education Center), Room 250.

Moritz Hall, Building 4502, Room 250 Kingsman Street, Fort Rucker, AL 36362 Hours of operation: 0800-1600 Monday-Friday;

open on all DONSA days

SFL-TAP: (334) 255-2558 | Reenlistments: (334) 255-6512

Reserve Component: (334) 255-9120



TROY UNIVERSITY BENEFIT TO **SOLDIERS ON FORT RUCKER**

CLEP & DSST Testing

In addition to Tuition Assistance (TA), the military allows eligible servicemembers additional resources to help them earn degrees faster and free of charge. Two programs, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and DANTES Subject Standardized Test (DSST) allow college credit through examination, which saves time and TA money. The

exams are offered in multiple subject areas and taking and passing the exams earns the equivalent of an undergraduate college course credit. DANTES PAYS FOR ONE FREE ATTEMPT PER TEST.

During the period of one month, W01 Rambinski Sovann passed four exams. That put him four classes closer to completing his degree requirements and saved him months of time in the classroom.

Troy University's Fort Rucker site administers the exams at the Army Education Center on Fort Rucker. For more information about the programs, contact Troy University at 334-598-2443.

There are online resources available to help with test preparation. You can visit the Fort Rucker Education Center for FREE CLEP Study Guides! Also, active-duty servicemembers and their dependents can get a scholarship waiver signed at the Education Center, reducing the cost of tuition to \$250 per credit

Carol Covington Director Troy University Fort Rucker Campus



POP-UP WRITING WORKSHOPS

Troy University Writing Centers Offer Pop-Up Workshops at the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy (NCOA)

Military servicemembers and the structures that serve and develop them, manage competing demands of Military Occupational Specialities (MOS) expertise, leadership development and academic skills development that also yield military benefits. Many times, the choice is either career or academic development, and for servicemembers

with dusty academic skills, no internal or external refresher programs are available. At Fort Rucker, Troy University offers FREE workshops for NCOA candidates focused on research writing strategies required to complete the Aadvanced Leaders Course (ALC) and Senior Leaders Course (SLC) writing projects.

The Writing Strategies Course is part of an overall writing improvement strategy for the NCOA.

The workshop provides knowledge of the processes and practices involved

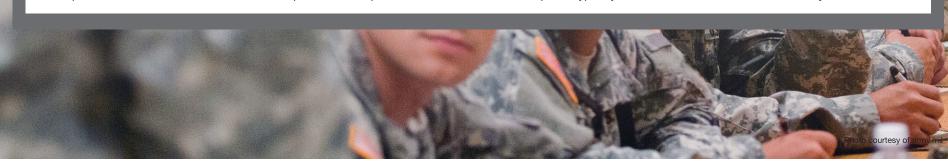
in research writing with the goal of improving research approaches, citation style and creating effective written communication.

The Directors of the Troy Writing Centers started offering the workshops to NCOA candidates in September of 2018 and have served more than 200 writers at Fort Rucker since then. Troy and the NCOA have worked together over time to co-design the program and customize the workshop to fit candidates' needs and schedules. What started as a three-day workshop after duty hours on weekdays is now a one-day, threehour workshop offered on Saturday afternoons.

Workshops are typically offered on

a schedule that gives each incoming rotation an opportunity to engage. This means that some workshops include both ALC and SLC candidates, but that just makes the discussions even more interesting. The Writing Center directors created guides, templates, and checklists in the form of two books produced exclusively for the NCOA, and each candidate is provided an electronic copy of these books on writing and research strategy. Troy designed the workshop and texts as just-in-time job training rather than as a standard college course, and they have found this approach most effective at the NCOA.

> - Courtesy of the Fort Rucker Army Education Center





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MILITARY SPOUSE AND FAMILY EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

There are several education benefits available to dependents of veterans as well as surviving family members of deceased veterans. Ranging from scholarships to totally free school, these benefits are often overlooked.

Department of Defense

Post 9/11 GI Bill Transferability

There is a special provision of the program that allows military members to share their remaining GI Bill (education) benefits with immediate family members. The key factor is whether or not the member has used any of their GI Bill in the past; only unused benefits can be transferred. This means that if they used 12 months of their GI Bill, then they can only transfer the remaining 24 months of benefits.

Servicemembers must meet specific criteria to be eligible to transfer their GI Bill benefits. This includes having at least six years of service and an obligation to serve at least four more

Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts (MyCAA)

The Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts (MyCAA) program provides up to \$4,000 of Financial Assistance for military spouses who are pursuing degree programs, licenses or credentials leading to employment in portable career fields.

Veterans Affairs

Dependents Education Assistance Program

The Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) program provides education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of certain veterans. The program offers up to 45 months of education benefits. These benefits may be used for degree and certificate programs, apprenticeship, and onthe-job training. Remedial, deficiency, and refresher courses may be approved under certain circumstances.

Marine GySgt John D. Fry Scholarship Program

The Fry Scholarship is an a program similar to the Post-

9/11 GI Bill that makes education benefits available to the surviving spouses and children of servicemembers who die in the line of duty after Sept. 10, 2001. Like Post-9/11 veterans, eligible surviving spouses and children attending school may receive full tuition coverage at state-operated colleges and universities, plus a monthly living stipend and book allowance under this program.

Surviving spouses can use the Fry Scholarship for 15 years from the anniversary of the servicemember's death or until they remarry. Eligible children can use the Fry Scholarship between the ages of 18 and 33. Children under age 18 cannot use this benefit even if they have completed high school. The child's marital status does not affect eligibility for the Fry Scholarship.

State Provided Education Benefits

Educational benefits for families, particularly the children of deceased, MIA, POW, and disabled veterans, may be available in some states.

Scholarships and Grants

While looking for money for school many spouses and their families overlook the over \$300 million of military - and veteran - related scholarships and grants. These scholarships often go unclaimed.

Not applying for scholarships is like turning down free money.

Army Resources

Army Emergency Relief (AER)

Army Emergency Relief maintains two scholarship programs – the Spouse Education Assistance Program and the MG James Ursano Scholarship Program for dependent children. Both scholarships provide financial assistance for students who are pursuing their first undergraduate degree.

- Courtesy of Military.com







WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO COMPLETE A TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS (TEB)? COMPLETE APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER

- 1. Login in to milconnect at https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/
- 2. Verify your dependents are listed as eligible to receive the transfer.
- 3. Your dependents will be listed in the List of Family Members chart.
- If your dependent(s) is under 23 years-old and is identified as ineligible, contact your DEERS office to enroll that dependent into DEERS.
- Enter the number of months you wish to transfer to each dependent.

- Entering a Transfer End Date is optional, but not recommended. If left blank, the dependent will receive the longest period of eligibility allowed by law.
- 7. Click the "OK" button and repeat for each dependent.
- 8. Complete the application by reading every statement and selecting EVERY check box.
- 9. Be sure to click the SUBMIT button.
- 10. Transfer request is complete.
- 11. Dependent Application to VA for use: www.vets.gov.
 - Courtesy of the Fort Rucker Army Education Center



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