

We're Here for You

Army Education Counselors

Clarify your long-term education goals, locate degrees, certificate, and credential programs available online and in-person, while maximizing your Tuition Assistance / Credentialing Assistance and VA education benefits. Additional information available on FAFSA / scholarships, BSEP classes, and Army personnel / academic testing.

Soldiers

Meet your personal and professional goals using a full range of educational programs and services.



Helpful Websites

ArmyIgnitED Information (TA)

armyignited.army.mil/

Army COOL (Certification & Licensure)

www.cool.army.mil/

TA Decide (College & Career Planning)

www.dodmou.com/tadecide/

DANTES (CLEP / DSST)

www.dantes.mil/Education-Programs/Get-College-Credit-for-What-You-Know/

Career Path Decide (College & Career)

www.careerpathdecide.org

Kuder Journey (College & Career Planning)

<https://dantes.kuder.com>

Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

www.studentaid.gov

Joint Service Transcripts (Military Training)

jst.doded.mil



About Us

Front Desk Hours: Monday - Friday 0730-1600

(1st and 3rd Thursday each month - open at 1030).

Counseling Hours: Monday - Friday 0900 - 1500

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Computer Lab Hours: Monday - Friday 0800 -

1600 (Limited printing available).

Facebook: Up-to-date info on ArmyIgnitED

news, closures, and more.



Contact Us: ArmyIgnitED student message, telephone, e-mail, and counseling walk-ins (see front desk).

Use these QR codes to access info on the go!



Virtual Brochure



Facebook Updates



Testing Dept. Email

Fort Carson Education Center



Army Continuing Education System (ACES)



1675 Long Street, Bldg. 1117
Fort Carson, Colorado 80913



719-526-2124



Army Education Funding

Tuition Assistance (TA)

- 16 SH per FY, up to \$250 per SH / \$4,000 per FY
- One degree at the Associate, Bachelor's, and Master's levels (no lower or lateral degrees)
- Up to 130 SH of undergraduate credit, up to 39 SH of graduate credit, up to 21 SH for an academic certificate (only 1 undergrad **or** grad cert per lifetime)
- TA funding available for Special Programs (AMEDD, Foreign language training, etc.)
- Provide an Evaluated Degree Plan prior to the completion of 6 SH
- Request TA in ArmyIgnitED up to 60 days prior and **no later** than 7 days prior to the **TERM** start date; Course must end 60 days prior to ETS date
- Can be used in conjunction with Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) and GI Bill
- Maintain a 2.0 or higher TA GPA for undergraduate courses or 3.0 or higher TA GPA for graduate courses
- Military Service Obligation (MSO) beginning on the end date of the last TA funded class; AD Commissioned Officers (CW2 / 2LT and above) incur a 2-year ADSO and Reserve a 4-year RDSO

Credentialing Assistance (CA)

- \$4000 per FY (same funding ceiling as TA)
- May request CA for multiple credentials listed in Army COOL - cannot exceed FY limit
- **No ADSO for Officers using CA**
- Request CA in ArmyIgnitED up to 90 days prior and no later than 45 days prior to the selected start date; Credential must be completed 31 days prior to ETS date
- **CA requests handled by virtual counseling team; Information and virtual counseling can be found by visiting <https://www.cool.osd.mil/army/index.html>**



Education Services

TA Brief

Fort Carson Education Center - assigned Soldiers who are first-time college attendees or are new to using ArmyIgnitED must attend the TA briefing.

Briefing Times: Mon @1000 and Wed @ 1400

***Counselors can provide TA unit briefings upon request. Contact the Education Center for scheduling.**

Memo Services

- Promotion Point Memo
- OCS
- REFRAD
- Foreign Transcript Evaluation

Soldiers needing memo services should send counselors a message through ArmyIgnitED. **Please upload copies of all transcripts / documents to your account for memo review and allow 5 -7 business days for completion.**

GI Bill Information

- Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30)
- Post 9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33)
- GI Bill Top-Up Program
- Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB)

Soldiers with questions about these VA programs should come in to speak with a counselor or visit the VA website.

Department of Veterans Affairs (G.I. Bill)
www.va.gov/education



Army Personnel Testing

Available tests include: AFCT, DLPT, DLAB, OPI, SIFT, BMST, ECL, and TABE.

Many tests require a Commander signed DA Form 4187 prior to scheduling a testing appointment. Email the testing department for information at usarmy.carson.imcom.mbx.dlpt-testing@army.mil

Computer & Printing Services



Our computer lab is available to work on courses or other education needs.

Printing Services limited to 5 pages/day
MLF 2nd Floor 0800-1600 Mon- Fri



Basic Skills Education Program (BSEP)

The BSEP on-duty program is a good place to start to raise your GT score and / or prepare for college courses.

MUST attend a BSEP brief to enroll. BSEP briefings are held every Tuesday at 1400.

Course Options:

BSEP offers a three-week full day class from 0900-1600 (1 hr lunch break). No class on Fridays.

Commander's approval is required to attend.



On-Post Colleges & Financial Aid

On-post college classes are available for you and your Family Members. School representatives are here to provide one-stop services to get you enrolled.

Pikes Peak State College (PPSC)
(719) 502-4200

Colorado State University - Pueblo (CSU-P)
(719) 586-6930

Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ (ERAU)
(719) 576-6858

Univ of Colorado at Colorado Springs (UCCS)
(719) 526-8066

Univ of Maryland Global Campus (UMGC)
(240) 221-1343

TRIO Representative (FAFSA Help)
(719) 526-6818