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AVIANO AIR BASE

EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTER

MAKING ADVANCED EDUCATION AS USER-FRIENDLY AS POSSIBLE



Check us out on the Web! Just go to www.31FSS.com and click on the Other Services link, then find Education and Training!

How are we doing?? Leave us a comment!

http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=card&service_provider_id=109413&site_id=404&service_category_id=4

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Come by the Education Center to pick up Term IV scholarship applications. We have scholarship applications available from ACES (Aviano Community Enlisted Spouses), AOSCS (Aviano Officers and Civilian Spouses), STAP, Top 3, Aviano 5/6, and others! The Education Center also has information on other scholarship and financial aid opportunities! **STAP DEADLINE: 28 FEB @1600**

AFAS has scholarship opportunities for undergraduate AF dependents. Great information for our HS Seniors, as well as families!!

Visit our website at: www.afrc.avianoab.info <<http://www.afrc.avianoab.info/>>

Post 9/11 GI Bill

The Education Center currently has booklets with helpful Post 9/11 GI bill information. Pick up a copy today!

Information for the Post 9/11 GI Bill is also available at: www.gibill.va.gov and 1-888-GI Bill-1.

Money for College and Career Advancement (MyCAA)

Military Spouse Career Advancement Account (MyCAA) Details:

MyCAA reopened in October for spouses pursuing an Associates, certificate, or license with sponsor in pay grades E1-E5, W1-W2, and O1-O2.

Spouses can enroll on: www.MilitaryOneSource.com/MyCAA and find additional scholarship opportunities.

NEW PROCEDURE FOR STAP

The STAP application now consists of both a paper and online application. Please return your completed paper application to the Ed. Center. Apply online at: <https://airportal.acc.af.mil/stap/>

Counselor's Corner

Are you an Airman who does not yet have your Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) degree completed? Visit the Air Force Virtual Education Center and see where you stand. You'll probably be surprised. Be a part of this great institution and add your name to the list of graduates.

Are you looking to pursue a civilian degree at the two year, four year, or master's degree level? The Education Center can help you research your options making it possible for you to earn a degree in the discipline you are passionate about.

Don't let your busy lifestyle stop you from taking classes. Higher education in the 21st century is all about flexibility and convenience. You truly can go to school anywhere on any schedule and the Education Center staff can show you how! Visit the Education Center today!

AU-ABC

The AU-ABC program will take up to 60 hours from your CCAF to apply to a Bachelor's program! All on base schools participate! Stop by the school on base of your choice to find out more!

PME Enrollments

Attention Officers- Professional Military Education is an important component of your career. Please take advantage of PME offerings through correspondence and seminar modes. For information on Squadron Officer School (SOS), please visit <http://www.au.af.mil> for Air Command and Staff College information, visit <http://www.wacsc.au.af.mil/>; for Air War College, please visit <http://www.au.af.mil/au/awc/awchome.htm>. Contact the Education Center at 632-5330 for more information.

CCAF GRADUATION

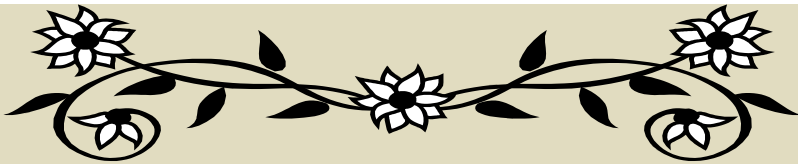
The next CCAF/Consolidated Graduation will be in May. **The deadline to have all credits completed and Graduation Nomination completed for MAY CCAF graduation is: FEBRUARY. Deadline for OCTOBER CCAF graduation is AUGUST.**

PRAXIS

The next PRAXIS will be administered May 3&4. You must register by MARCH 10th for these test dates!!!!

Testing for Credits Scheduling

We will be testing Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 08:30 AM and 10:30 AM for civilian college, PME, SAT, ACT, GED, Praxis, DLPT, and DLAB. Call DSN: 632-5330 or stop by our office to pick up a list of all the tests for credit that we offer.



ATTENTION: ACTIVE DUTY STUDENTS!

Military Tuition Assistance (TA) will pay for up to \$250 per semester hour or \$166 per quarter hour toward Associate, Bachelor, Master degrees, and/or certification/license. Tuition Assistance is capped at \$4,500 per fiscal year. At the Aviano AB Education and Training Center we offer five educational terms. Voluntary education is considered to be a part-time endeavor; therefore, there is a 7 semester hour limit per term. In order to request Tuition Assistance, the education record must contain the degree goal and plan of required classes. Members choosing to pursue a certification program must have approval from the Education and Training Chief before requesting TA.

Things to Remember when submitting a request for TA:

- Be sure to have all of the course information available before you begin the application. You will need Course Code, Course Title, the term dates (not meeting dates), Cost per Credit, Number of Credits, and location of the course. If you are taking the course On-Line: Distance Learning will be the location. For members assigned overseas, the Off Base location option will never be selected.
- Take note of the Reason for Enrollment: If you are taking a class to work towards your CCAF degree, enter CCAF as the Reason for Enrollment. If you are applying for TA for courses needed to complete a civilian degree, make sure that you have a civilian degree goal on record with the Ed Center. The Degree Goal should include the type of degree being sought (Associate, Bachelor, or Master), the Major course of study, number of credit hours required to complete the degree, and an Evaluation (A list of courses required, specific to you, to complete the degree.)
- For Billing purposes we ask that you submit only one Course per TA application. Your TA application will not be approved if there is more than one course listed on the application.
- TA must be submitted and approved by the Ed Center prior to registration in the class.

If you have questions about this process please contact the Aviano Education and Training Center at 632-5330. We also provide a computer for the purpose of submitting TA applications. If you need help feel free to drop by and submit your TA application with the aid of one of our courteous Academic Advisors.

NEW Policy Alert!! If you are a NEW TA user: You will need to sit down with an Academic Advisor to go over TA procedures and policies prior to submitting your first TA application. You may visit us between 07:30-16:00 Monday – Friday.

Commissioning Briefings:

Held on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 10am.

If you are interested in learning more about commissioning programs please call the ED Center at 632-5330 to sign up for the next briefing.

Next Briefing:
February 17, 2011

PMC ADDRESS/NOMINATION PROCEDURES

The PMC requires a formal application process, with recommendation by the individual's unit commander or commandant.

1. Download and complete the Letter of Recommendation
2. Scan and E-mail the completed/signed Letter of Recommendation and copy of official transcript from civilian institution reflecting completed leadership/management courses to ccaf.deal@maxwell.af.mil or mail to:

Community College of the Air Force
Credentialing Programs
100 South Turner Blvd
Maxwell-Gunter AFB, AL 36114-3011

Upon receipt of Letter of Recommendation, CCAF/DEAL will evaluate the individual's CCAF record and validate completion of all program requirements.

Important Info about CLEPS!!!

To have your CLEP score updated to your CCAF progress report, please ensure the front office is given the copy of your score report that says **OFFICIAL EDUCATION CENTER COPY** to send to **CCAF!**

School Information

Important Upcoming Dates:

General Ed Center term dates are based on UMUC term dates:

On-Base

Registration *ongoing until 21 Mar*
On-site Session IV *21 Mar-14 May*

Distance Education

Registration *ongoing until 4 Apr*
DE Session IV *4 April-12 June*

ERAU – Term IV Dates

On-Base

Registration On-Going (On-line at <http://erau.edu>)
On-site contact ERAU for dates

Please check in with the Education and Training Center to make sure your Ed record is up-to-date and find out what courses you need to complete your degree. We are available to help you!!
The Education and Training Center is located at Area 1, Bldg 147. We are open from 0730-1630, Monday – Friday.



Spring Term IV starts 21 March 2011

Registration for all upcoming classes is NOW through Class Start Date

Spring Term IV – On-Site Term Start Date – 21 March 2011

Spring Term IV – DE Term Start Date – 4 April 2011

CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE

At Central Texas College we believe that we offer our students great opportunities to take their first step towards accomplishing their goals. We offer several classes online that can help you get closer to your degree. We also offer on-site classes for the following degrees:

Criminal Justice
Early Childhood Professions
Fire Technology
Automotive Mechanic/Technician
Hospitality Management
Applied Management-Military Science

We offer an online **Microsoft Certification Program**. Upon completion of ITMT 1400 and ITNW 1358, you get a free MP4 player with all necessary information to complete the courses. The following courses are needed to complete the certification:

- ❖ **ITMT 1400-** Implementing and Supporting Microsoft Windows XP Professional
- ❖ **ITNW 1358-** Network +
- ❖ **ITMT 1440 –** Managing and Maintaining Microsoft Windows Server
- ❖ **ITMT 1355 –** Implementing, Managing, and Maintaining Microsoft Network Infrastructure
- ❖ **ITSY 1442 –** Information Technology Security

In addition to our face-to-face classes, Central Texas College also offers 8-12 week online classes that start every month so it's never a bad time to start or finish working on your degree! Please contact Kari Middleton at DSN 632-5143 or email aviano@europe.ctcd.edu for more information.

****Reminder:** You can access On-Line Tuition Assistance through your AF Virtual Education Center (AFVEC) under your Air Force Portal account at www.my.af.mil. Click on, "Apply for TA" under Self Service Applications. All TA requests are sent to the Education Center for approval/disapproval. You will then receive an email within 48 hours. Upon approval you will access AFVEC and print out the TA document and turn it into your school for class registration. Before applying for TA, you will need the following information: school name, course code, course title, start date, end date, location of course (on-base or distance learning), quarter hours or semester hours, cost per hour, and number of hours.

EMBRY RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY

ERAU offers a certificate program to help you earn the FAA Airframe and Powerplant Certification. The program consists of six courses working towards preparation for testing with the FAA. Upon completion of the six courses, you will receive a Type 65 Certificate from ERAU. ERAU Aviano offers will offer two courses in Term IV towards the certification.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Master of Arts in International Relations - The Interdisciplinary Master of Arts Degree with an emphasis in International Relations is a non-thesis 32 semester hour degree program. Students can tailor this program of study to meet their individual interests and needs by selecting from a wide range of courses in political science, communication, history, human relations, geography, economics and management.

The degree prepares students for a wide body of careers including governmental, nonprofit, military, corporate and academic. The intensive class format provides flexibility for working adults and students can enter the program at any time in a provisional status while awaiting full admission.

To request information about the program contact the University of Oklahoma Advanced Program's Site Manager, Amy Negron at DSN: 632-5977, email: apaviano@ou.edu, or stop by our office (Aviano Ed. Ctr., Room 5).