





Before You Begin

- Continuous Learning as a Sailor is an expectation
 - Professional Military
 - Technical
 - Academic
 - Personal
- Download the Navy College Program Mobile App from the App Store or Google Play
- Before you talk to an Academic Institution:
 - · Take time to prepare yourself
 - Navigate through the Navy College Program website and Mobile App
 - Explore the online tutorial/wizard and training tools to understand the education process and pitfalls
 - Contact a Navy College Education Counselor

You Will Be Supported as a Lifelong Learner

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Navy College Counseling

MyNavy Portal

https://www.mnp.navy.mil/group/training-education-qualifications/getting-started

Navy College Virtual Education Center (NCVEC)

- https://www.navycollege.navy.mil/
- Provides education counseling
- Provides assistance to Sailors via virtual tools
- Processes Tuition Assistance requests
- Communication channels: Chat, Electronic Help Requests, Email, Telephone

OCONUS Navy College Offices

 Yokosuka, Atsugi, Misawa, Sasebo, Guam, Pearl Harbor, Rota, Naples, Sigonella, Bahrain, Guantanamo Bay

Navy College Program Region Advisors

- Norfolk, Jacksonville, San Diego, Kitsap
- Facilitate education fairs, base access for visiting schools, command briefs

Navy Support for Your Education and Continuous Learning

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Voluntary Education Process

- Explore education and career paths
- Receive counseling from Navy College Education Counselor
- Research, select a school, and develop a plan
- Automated Tuition Assistance (or other funding)
 - All Voluntary Education (VOLED) prerequisites must be met or system won't allow you to fill out WebTA application
 - Command Approver verifies each Sailor's eligibility and approves
 - WebTA application is automatically approved and a voucher is created
 - You must send the voucher to your school for processing and course payment
- Execute your plan

How to Get Started Moving Toward Your Degree

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At Sea Education

- Automated NCPACE-DL (Navy College Program for Afloat College Education-Distance Learning)
 - Eligibility similar to TA, several overlaps
 - Same registration process as WebTA Automation
 - You will need a proctor (usually command's ESO)
 - Guided individual study
 - Sailor completes self-contained course(s) while underway
 - Sailor sends required materials back to the academic institution offering the course for grading and credit

Learn Where You Serve



New Tuition Assistance Policy

- NAVADMIN 114/19 (Effective 01 October 2019)
- Two years time in service required
- Semester hours capped at 12¹ per Fiscal Year
- Funding is capped at 120 semester hours¹ per career²
- New Sailors are encouraged to focus on getting qualified in their jobs
- To explore other personal and professional development opportunities available contact NCVEC (Navy College Virtual Education Center) at 877-838-1659

- 1-Or equivalent quarter hours
- 2-Excludes courses taken toward HS diploma

New Policy



Navy College Virtual Education Center

NCVEC 877-838-1659

Counseling



Other Funding Options

CLEP/DSST

- Exams for credit
- Fully funded for active duty
- Over 60 subjects to choose from

Financial Aid

- Eligible for all Financial Aid
- Submit FAFSA
- Parents' income no longer factored in
- Scholarship Search Engines: Fastweb, CollegeBoard, etc.

Self Pay

Investing in yourself is always a good investment

GIBill

- Two Chapters available
 - Chapter 30: Montgomery GI Bill
 - Chapter 33: Post 9/11 GI Bill



Career Development Options

Navy COOL and USMAP

- Develop skills in your primary and collateral duties
- · Get set up for a future career
- Proof of expertise for both Navy and future employment

Navy COOL (Credentialing Opportunities OnLine)

- Pays for credentialing and licensing exams related to
 - Primary Job
 - Collateral Duties
 - Degrees
 - Leadership
 - Apprenticeship
 - Example: Networking+ from CompTIA

Credentialing



Career Development Options

- USMAP (<u>U</u>nited <u>Services Military Apprenticeship Program)
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 - Free
 - No Off-duty Study Required
 - Earn U. S. Department of Labor Certificate



Recommendation & Way Ahead

Recommendation:

- Take a deliberate approach to managing your career and future
- Understand you are preparing for the unknown
- Continue to seek knowledge

Next Steps:

- Assess which tools are best for you
- Learn how they work and use them to develop a plan
- Write it down
- Work it







