

## COMPUTER LAB

20+ computers available for requesting Web TA, Financial Aid, Joint Services Transcript, completing college applications and other academic requirements.

## COLLEGE CLASSES

There are two academic institutions on MCAGCC that hold classes in the Education Center. Terms are 4-18 weeks in length. Marines, Sailors and family members can save money by attending classes on base.

## ON-BASE PROGRAMS

### Copper Mountain College

[www.cmccd.edu](http://www.cmccd.edu)

2nd Floor, Room 209

760.830.6133

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am - 4:30 pm



### National University

[www.nu.edu](http://www.nu.edu)

3rd Floor, Room 309

760.830.6887

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 5 pm

Friday: 8 am - 4:30 pm



## MILITARY ACADEMIC SKILLS PROGRAM (MASP)

The purpose of MASP is to strengthen English and Math skills. Many seeking to improve AFCT scores or preparing to transition into college complete this program.

- Four weeks in length
- Command approval required
- Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) required
- Facilitated by Copper Mountain College

## COOL - CREDENTIALING OPPORTUNITIES ON-LINE

Marine Corps COOL is for both active and reserve Marine Corps service members. COOL defines civilian credentials and maps it to Marine Corps MOSs. It outlines the path, work, training and experience required to earn them. Free credential exam vouchers are available at no cost to eligible Marines. Please see an Education Specialist for more information. Apply on-line: <https://www.cool.osd.mil/usmc/>

## UNITED SERVICES MILITARY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM (USMAP)

USMAP is a formal military training program that provides active duty service members the opportunity to complete their civilian apprenticeship requirements while they are on active duty. <https://usmap.osd.mil/>

# EDUCATION CENTER SERVICE GUIDE



### MCCS/MFP/P&PD Education Center

BLDG 1530, 6th Street  
MCAGCC

760.830.6881 | [mccs29palms.com](http://mccs29palms.com)

Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am - 5 pm

Friday: 7:30 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday: 7:30 am - 12:30 pm (limited services)



## ADVISING

Counselors are available on a walk-in basis to assist you and your family with college and career goals.

## TESTING

### Military Classification Testing

*Availability: Tuesday and Thursday*

- Air Force Institute for Advanced Distribution Learning (AFIADL)
- Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT)
- Defense Language Aptitude Battery (DLAB)
- Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT)
- Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI)
- Other tests - Contact your Education Center Staff

### Non-Military Tests

*Availability: Varies*

- College Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- DANTES Subject Standardized Test (DSST)
- General Education Diploma (GED)
- GRE/GMAT
- Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE)

### PearsonVUE Exams

*Availability: Mondays*

Must pre-register at:

[www.pearsonvue.com/military](http://www.pearsonvue.com/military)

## TUITION ASSISTANCE

### Tuition Assistance (TA) For Active Duty

- TA pays tuition costs up to \$250 per semester hour or \$166.67 per quarter hour
- TA does not cover book costs
- The maximum TA per fiscal year is \$4,500

Still have questions? First-time TA-users must attend the TA Brief (AKA College 101). Call the Education Center for further details.

## GI BILL

### The Montgomery GI Bill CH 30

- Must have contributed \$1200 to be eligible

### The Post-9/11 GI Bill CH 33

- Must have served on Active Duty on or after 11 September 2001 to be eligible
- TEB - Transfer of Education Benefits, learn how to transfer your benefits to your family member

### Top-Up

- Allows the use of GI Bill in conjunction with Tuition Assistance
- Please see an Education Specialist for more information

For more information, visit:

[www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/)

The Education Center holds a GI Bill workshop on a weekly basis. Call the Education Center for further details.

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For more information on these financial aid resources and others, please call the Education Center.

## PAYING FOR COLLEGE

### California Student Aid Commission (CAL Grant)

The CAL Grant may be awarded to students for undergraduate studies or vocational certificate programs.

- Money you do not have to pay back
- Must meet academic, financial and eligibility requirements

[www.calgrant.org](http://www.calgrant.org)

### California Promise Grant

Active duty service members and their family members qualify for the California Promise Grant, which waives tuition fees for students attending California community colleges.

<https://home.cccapply.org/en/>

### Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- Create a FAFSA ID: <https://fsaid.ed.gov>
- Available at: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

### In-State Tuition Rates

Service Members and their family members on permanent change stationed in California may qualify for resident tuition rates at California state-supported colleges and universities.

### Scholarship and Financial Aid Explorer (SFEX)

Multiple scholarships for active duty and retired Marine Corps service members and their immediate families.

[www.mcsfex.net](http://www.mcsfex.net)