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TA funds are authorized each fiscal year (Oct 1 to Sept 30):

Up to \$4500 each FY; paid out by the credit hour for a max of:

\$250/semester credit (most popular credit type)

\$166.67/quarter credit

\$16.67/clock credit



All first time users of TA must:

Attend a TA orientation from the Base Education Center

ENLISTED ONLY:

Have 10 college credits (or more) passed with a C or better; OR

Have a GT score of 100 or higher; OR

Have an AFQT of 50 or higher; OR

Taken the in-person Academic Skills Program; OR

Taken and passed the Online Academic Skills Course: https://dantes.petersons.com

If you do not have any of these or cannot complete the OASC, then our ESO will still approve you to use TA! You will be allowed 1 class at a time for the first ten credits. Pass your classes with a C or better!

You're allowed to request only ONE class when it is your first time*. After that, no more than 2 classes at a time may be requested. *Exception to policy- if you have at least 31 semester credits with a 2.5 GPA, then you can request 2 classes for your first time.

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TA Portal Website (where you request/fill out your TA applications): https://myeducation.netc.navy.mil

The MyEducation site is your TA portal for all TA requests. You will be required to submit your requests in advance of your course start date (up to 2 months). You will also need:

- Command TA approver email (officer or approved By Direction personnel); make sure it is their work email.
- School and course information (dates of term, course & number, cost per credit, # of credits, etc...).

We need a degree plan after 10 semester credits have been earned (either before or with TA). This document comes from your school (or advisor). It can be uploaded under your Files area of your account.

What is your current EAS date? You must be active duty to use TA.

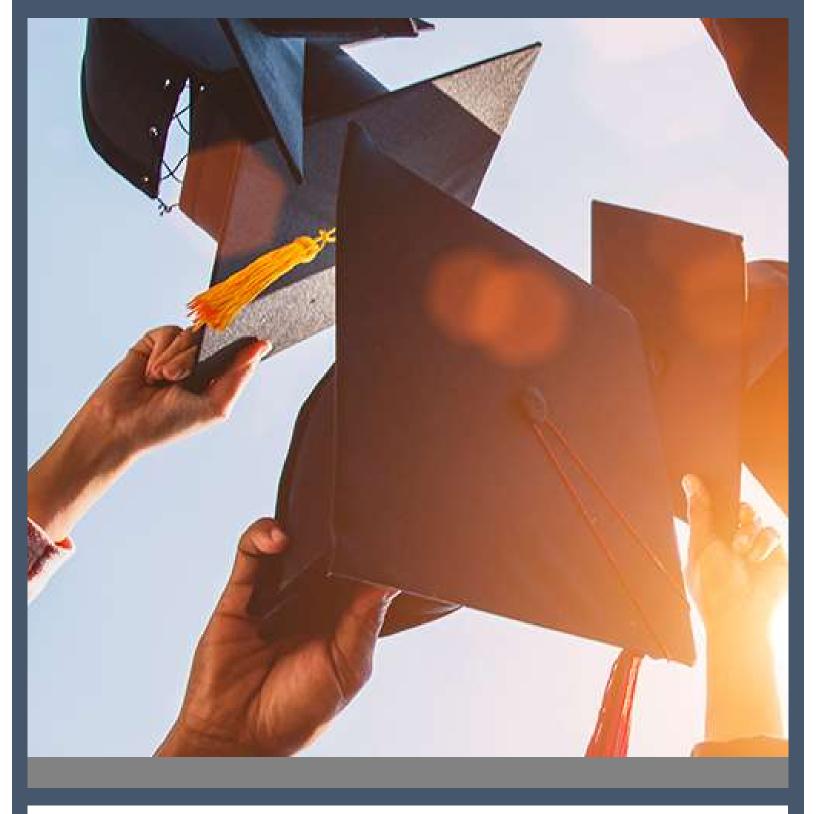
All Enlisted & WOs (WOs without BA/BS degree)- last TA must end 60 days before EAS.

Officers & WOs (WOs with a BA/BS degree or higher): You incur a 2 year payback obligation.



Your school and program must be DoD approved (https://www.dodmou.com lists all approved schools). All other rules must be followed as well (read the Statement of Understanding, & follow MCO 1560.25 as well as HQMC's site:

https://usmc-mccs.org/taguide).



PLEASE ENROLL IN A UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE BEFORE APPLYING FOR TA

Base Education Center Mainside

BLDG 1331

Camp Pendleton, CA Phone: (760) 725-6660 Phone: (760) 725-6414 Base Education Center School of Infantry

BLDG 520512 Camp Pendleton, CA Phone: (760) 725-0606

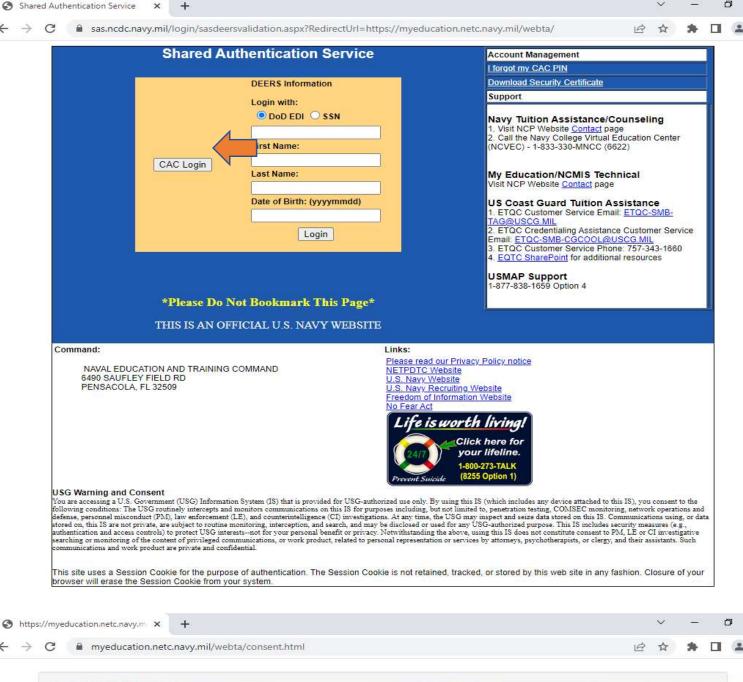
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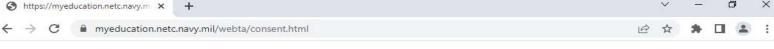


HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR TUITION ASSISTANCE

COPY WEBSITE BELOW:

https://sas.ncdc.navy.mil/login/sasdeersv alidation.aspx?RedirectUrl=https://myed ucation.netc.navy.mil/webta/





Navy College Management Information System Voluntary Education for the Sea Services

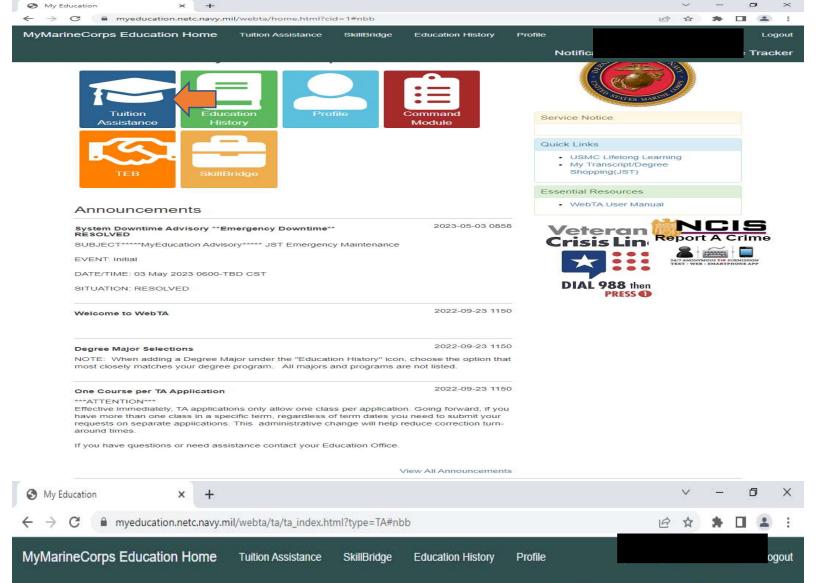


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Education Plans require approval by an Education Counselor. Contact an Education Counselor to review your education plan and tuition assistance eligibility.

This Tuition Assistance (TA) page allows you to access a variety of features specific to the TA program. If you would like some information on how to get started, visit Get Started: VOLED Process.

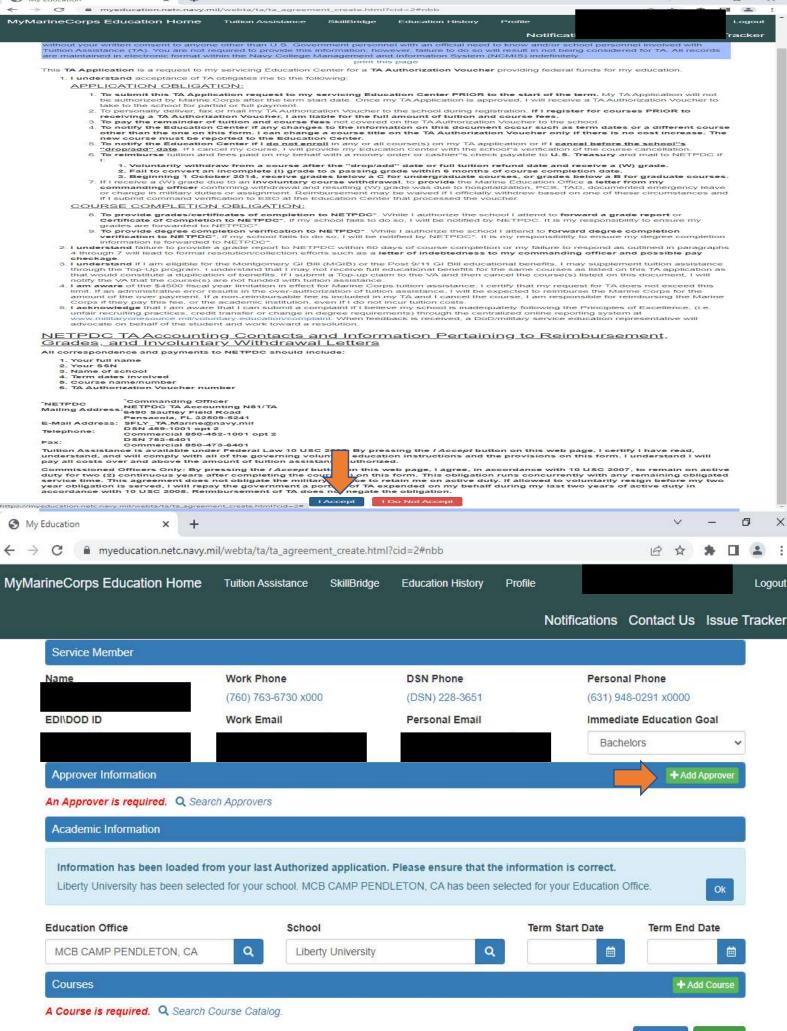
If you are ready to submit a TA application, select the Create New Application button below. Please complete all entries on the TA application as accurately as possible. You need the following information readily available:

- The email address and phone number of your Commanding Officer or other official within your command with By Direction Authority to approve TA applications
- · Your Unit Identification Code (UIC)
- A daytime phone number where you can be reached (this may be the same as your command phone number)
- · The name of the school you plan to attend
- . The course number, name, and cost per credit unit of the courses you plan to take

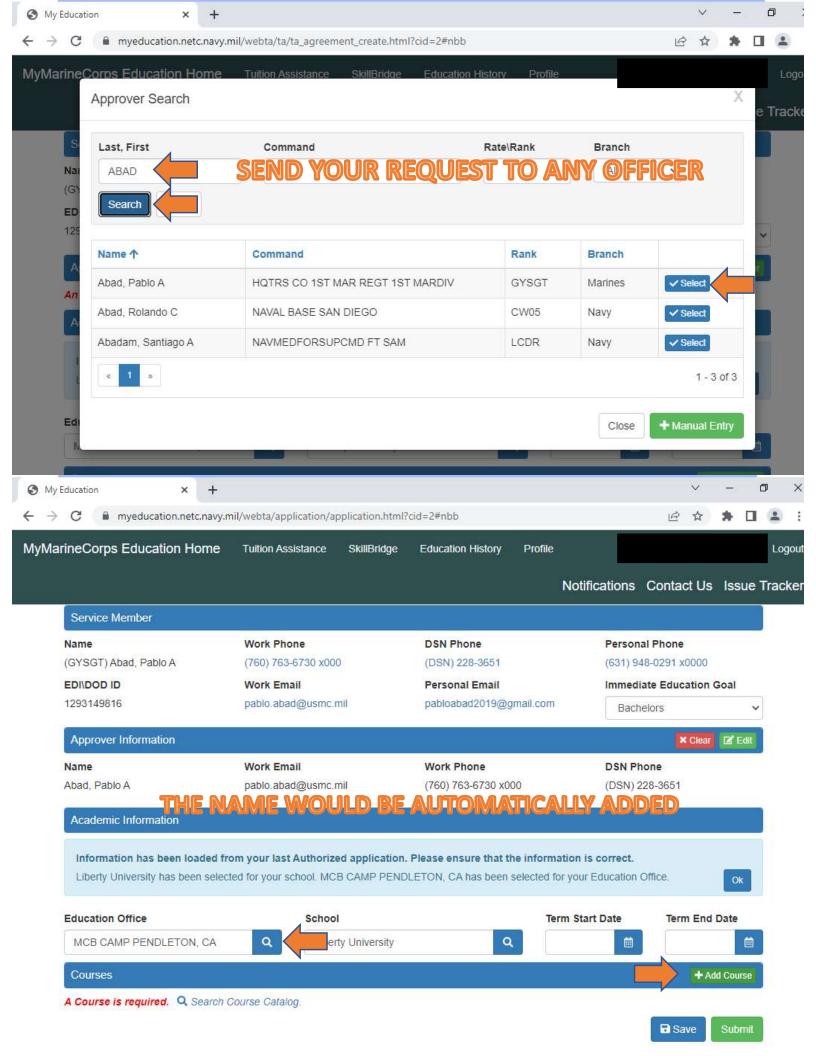
Visit the Marine Corps Lifelong Learning Center at www.marines.mil to learn more about the Tuition Assistance program.

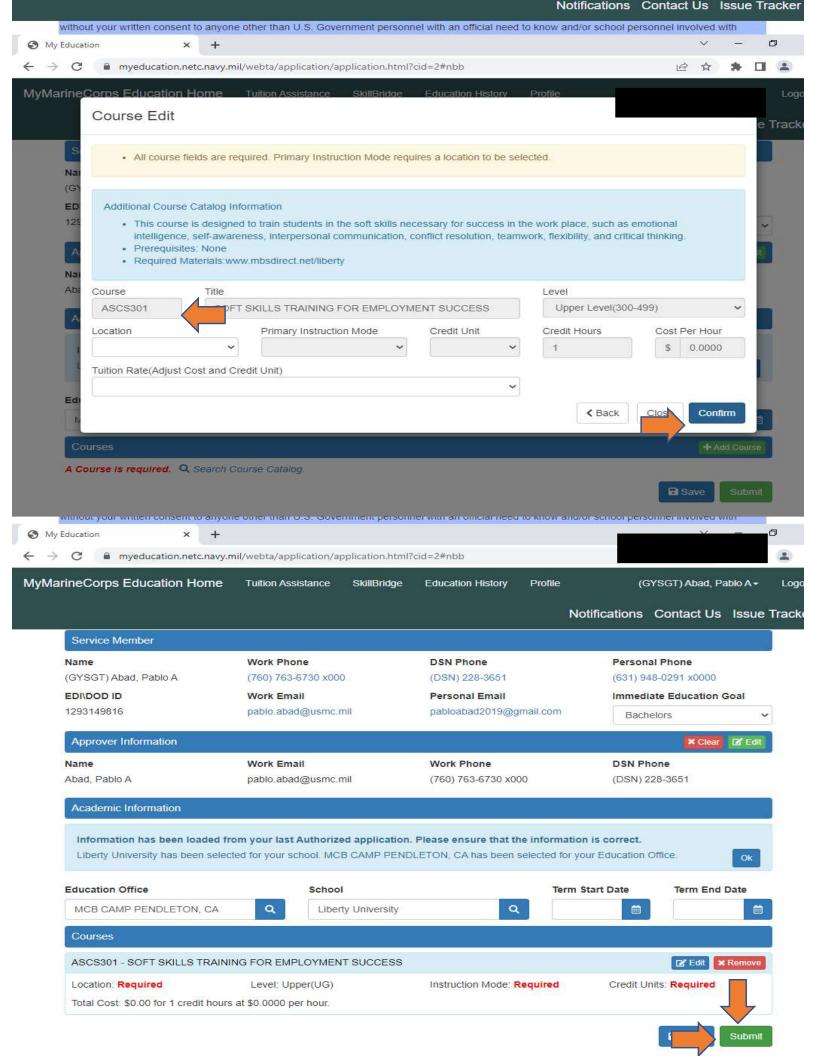
Available Options





Submit





MCB Camp Pendleton Marine & Family Programs 2023 Transition, Career, Education, Library, and Readiness Services

BASE EDUCATION CENTER

The Base Education Center (BEC) provides personal and professional learning opportunities through education counseling, military and civilian testing, education workshops and briefs, on-base college classes, tuition assistance, administrative support, and world-class customer service. There are five higher education institutions aboard the base that provide academic programs from associate to master's degrees. In addition, students have options to seek programs with visiting schools.

Services include:

- 1. Tuition Assistance
- 2. Academic Counseling
- 3. Education and Interest Assessment
- 4. Military Classification and Civilian Testing including AFCT, CLEP, DLAB, DLPT, and TABE.
- 5. GI Bill Application Assistance and Financial Aid Application Assistance
- 6. Leadership Scholar Program
- 7. Academic Skills Program
- 8. Marine Corps Credentialing Opportunities On-Line (MCCOOL)
- 9. U.S. Military Apprenticeship Program (USMAP)
- 10. MyCAA

Two Locations:

- 1. Mainside Base Education Office, building 1331, (760) 725-6660 or (760) 725-6414
- 2. School of Infantry Base Education Center, building 520512, (760) 725-0606

Academic Advising

The Base Education Center (BEC) has Education Specialists who offer academic guidance to you and your family members who want assistance in preparing for college. Counseling appointments are one hour in length and are available at both locations. To schedule an individual appointment with an Education Specialist, please email CPEC@usmc.mil or call (760) 725-6660 or (760) 725-0606.

Academic Skills Program

The Camp Pendleton Base Education Center (BEC) and Palomar College have teamed up to provide a 30-day PTAD Academic Skills Program. This valuable program focuses on helping you improve both English and Math skills; two skills that are extremely necessary to increase your competitiveness in today's military and civilian job markets! Program is open to military spouses and dependents too. Classes are limited to 20 students per session and are held at the BEC, building 1331, Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 am until 4:00 pm for four weeks. The Academic Skills Program is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED for all active-duty military students who want to use tuition assistance for the first time but have a GT of 99 or below and failed to achieve a grade 10.2 on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE). This non-credit class is open to the public, but priority and guaranteed admission are given to active-duty service members with those holding a GT score of 99 or less. For more information, please email CPEC@usmc.mil or call (760) 725-6660.

The 2023 sessions are as follows:

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6	Session 7	Session 8
1/9 – 2/3	2/21 - 3/17	4/3 – 4/28	6/5 – 6/30	7/3 – 7/28	8/7 – 9/1	9/11 – 10/6	10/23 – 11/17

For more information, visit the Base Education Office website at www.mccscp.com/bec.





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BASE EDUCATION CENTER (continued)

Educational Events

The Base Education Center hosts several events per year. For more information, please email CPEC@usmc.mil, call (760) 725-6660, or visit our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/mccseducationcenter.

Mar 17 Warrior to Campus

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The Warrior to Campus Program is an extraordinary opportunity for you to tour a local university and meet with school representatives. This in-person event allows you to see the campus and learn about the admissions process, student services, and veteran benefits. Point Loma Nazarene University will offer a tour on March 17, and California State California University San Marcos will offer a tour on April 28. Please contact the BEC for more information on how to participate in this innovative program, email cpec@usmc.mil or call (760) 725-6660.

Jun 15 Juneteenth Education Fair

This event is a fun educational and resource fair. It will bring awareness to Juneteenth, a Federal holiday, while highlighting our on-base schools, visiting schools, and support agencies who we have trusted partnerships with to support you and your family members. Event will be held at the Mainside Marine Corps Exchange (MCX) from 11 am until 1 pm. No registration needed.

Sep 8 MCB Commencement Ceremony

The MCB Commencement Ceremony recognizes the accomplishment of students who have successfully completed the graduation requirements for an associate's, bachelor's, or master's degree. This program will be held at the Mainside Theater.

Oct 13 MCB Camp Pendleton College Fair

Two and four-year higher education institutions from across the country come to this event to connect with you and your family members! If you are considering higher education or if you are continuing your education, this is a great opportunity to meet with many school representatives to learn about their veteran-friendly programs and services. Event will be held at the Mainside Marine Corps Exchange (MCX) from 11 am until 3 pm. No registration necessary; come join us!

Oct 13 Leadership Scholar Program Forum

The Leadership Scholar Program (LSP) Forum connects qualified Marines with 50 four-year, not-for-profit colleges and universities across the nation. This program provides assistance in the admissions process for Marines who qualify. Come learn what it takes to attend one of these schools! Event will be held at Mainside Marine Corps Exchange (MCX) from 9:00 am until 10:30 am. No registration necessary, come join us!

On-Base Institutions

There are five on-base colleges and universities that offer associate, bachelor, and master's degrees.

2-year schools (General Education, AA/AS degrees):

Central Texas Community College

Palomar College

4-year schools (BA/BS and Master's degrees)

Embry-Riddle University National University Park University

For more information, visit the Base Education Office website at www.mccscp.com/bec.





Camp Pendleton Base Education Center

Active-Duty Marine Corps Tuition Assistance SOU



Qualifying for Tuition Assistance (for First Time Users):

- Complete a TA orientation from the Base Education Center;
- Have completed the Personal Readiness Seminar (PRS) or the Personal Financial Management course on MarineNet (verified by the command);
- > Enlisted Marines:
 - Have completed at least 10 academic semester credits at the post-secondary level, with no grade lower than a C;
 OR
 - b. Have earned a score of at least 50 on the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT); OR
 - c. Have earned a score of at least 100 on the General Technical portion of the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery; **OR**
 - d. Have completed the Academic Skills Program in the classroom; OR
 - e. Have completed the Online Academic Skills Program (OASC).

If none of these criteria are met, the installation Education Services Officer (ESO) reserves the right authorize TA for one course per academic term until ten semester credits (or fifteen quarter credits) have been completed. If all academic credits are completed with no grade lower that a C, the Marine may continue to use TA at the maximum allowable.

- Officers are only required to complete the TA orientation, be active-duty, and have enough time for their pay-back obligation.
- > Have a school picked out! If you need help, then make an appointment with a BEC counselor.
- Make sure your program is TA authorized. TA does not cover NON-CREDIT courses. Go to https://dodmou.com to ensure your school is listed. Make an appointment with the BEC to help you with research.

Additional qualifications (for all Marines):

- You must be active duty.
- Your command must ensure you are eligible for promotion.
- Your command also ensures you are not attending PME or MOS training.
- You must have an EAS date 60 days beyond your course end date (this is for enlisted Marines, as well as Warrant Officers who do not have a bachelor's degree). Warrant Officers who hold a bachelor's degree and regularly commissioned officers have a 2-year obligation beyond the end date of their course.

Timeline to process:

- > TA applications must be command approved before your term begins.
- You have up to **60 days** to submit TA, so plan ahead!
- We do not follow school deadlines, only HQMC policies.
- TA is authorized only during the fiscal year (October 1- September 30). No processing is allowed for the last two weeks of September. If you are late, no TA. No exceptions!

Tuition Assistance website for creating and submitting your requests:

https://myeducation.netc.navy.mil

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TA course request limitations:

- You are authorized only one class for your first time.
- First time users can gain an exception- have 31 semester credits or more with a GPA of at least a 2.5, and you can take up to 2 courses.
- No one is allowed to receive TA for more than 2 classes occurring at the same time (maintain the 2.5 GPA and have no outstanding issues in the previous TA term).
- You are authorized only one class if you do not pass (fail a course, withdraw voluntarily, etc). If your GPA falls between a 2.0 and 2.49, you are only allowed one course as well for your next TA term.

TA limitations:

- > TA is only allowed for one certificate, one associate's, one bachelor's, and one master's degree. TA will not be authorized for the same level of degree that you already have.
 - Marines who have completed the Military Studies Master's degree through Command and Staff, Marine Corps
 University will be allowed to use TA towards a second master's degree.
 - O Degree pre-requisites or developmental courses can be funded by TA but must be included on your education plan and will count towards the TA funding cap at the level of the degree pursued.
- Maximum number of semester credits allowed for TA is capped at 138 for an undergraduate degree (bachelors and below) and 45 for a graduate degree (masters). It pays to do some research when choosing your school and program! It can matter if you plan to transfer!

Degree plan requirements:

- What classes are you taking for your degree? Make sure we have a degree plan from your school. This is not a word document or email from you stating what you're doing, but an official form or plan from your academic counselor from your school. Please consult with our office to make sure you turn in the right one.
- You must submit an education plan by the time <u>ten semester credits have been successfully completed</u>, regardless of whether TA funded these earned academic semester credits.

Your obligations to TA:

- Turn in your grades! You have 30 days to submit before you are delinquent.
 - You must pass undergrad (AA or BA) classes with a C or higher. Grad classes must be passed with a B or higher.
 - o If you don't pass, then you pay back the TA. If you don't complete an incomplete ("I" grade) then you pay back the TA. If you voluntarily withdraw from your course, then you pay back TA. If you drop your course, be careful-your school might charge, and you might owe.
 - If you have an emergency or military operational commitments that come up, there *might be* a waiver you can submit. This will require a command letter with explanation, possible proof of situation, and "W" grade from school.
- You are obligated to ensure the information on your TA application is correct. Double check with your school on dates, course information, credit amounts, and costs.
 - YOU must let us know of changes if they happen!
 - o Changes cannot be made once the school bills for the TA.
- No TA can be processed if you have any outstanding issues. You are disqualified from TA until your issues are resolved.