

SHAPE/NSA EDUCATION CENTERS

INFORMATION OF SERVICES

Lifelong Learning Opportunities

QUICK LIST OF SERVICES

- INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP COUNSELING
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- VA EDUCATION BENEFITS COUNSELING
- SPOUSE TUITION ASSISTANCE
- ROTC GREEN TO GOLD
- FRENCH AND DUTCH HEADSTART
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
- UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
- UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX
- CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE
- COMPUTER LAB
- ADULT ACADEMIC TUTORING

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- ✓ Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC) is a group of national higher education associations with more than 1,275 institutional members that offers a variety of programs that give servicemembers opportunities to:
 - Earn associates or bachelor's degrees while in the Army (SOCAD), Navy (SOCNAV), or Marine Corps (SOCMAR).
 - Enroll in a college concurrently with enlistment in the Army or Army Reserve (ConAP).
 - Earn college credits and degrees while in the Army National Guard (SOCGuard).

For more detailed information contact a Counselor at the Education Center or at the following internet sites:

www.soc.aascu.org/socad/ for Army
www.soc.aascu.org/socnav/ for Navy
www.soc.aascu.org/socmar/ for USM
www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/ for Air Force

- ✓ The Strong Interest Inventory, Campbell Interest and Skill Survey, the Career Assessment Inventory, and other surveys are all tools to help an individual understand himself or herself better and therefore be able to make better decisions and more effectively implement those decisions. In addition, these various surveys can help an individual make informed decisions with regards to occupational and educational choices. Please contact a Counselor at the Education Center for more information.
- ✓ The Education Center's Army Learning Center (ALC) offers Army Correspondence Course Enrollment as well as an MOS Library. This office also offers Army regulations and reference material for loan. Foreign language programs on audio-cassette can be signed out. Please call the ALC coordinator for a full listing of services at DSN: **423-3309**.



HOW CAN THE EDUCATION CENTER HELP YOU REACH YOUR EDUCATIONAL GOALS?

The SHAPE / NSA Education Centers have been helping assigned service members and family members reach their education goals at SHAPE and the Brussels military communities for over 30 years. The Counseling, Testing, and Army Learning Center Sections bring years of experience and expertise. On SHAPE we are located in Building 212, Room 128 and at NSA Brussels in Building 1, 3rd Floor. The Education Center offers many services to military members and their family members in the community, which include:

- ✓ The counselor staff offers individual education counseling to service members, government civilians, and their families, as well as educating veterans about their education benefits and where to apply.
- ✓ The Education Center issues Tuition Assistance (TA) Forms to U.S. Army soldiers in Room 128. The Air Force Counselor in Room 111 provides TA Forms for Air Force personnel. The Navy and Marine Corps can receive their TA Forms through the Navy Element. Army TA currently pays 100% of the tuition cost up to \$250 per semester hour or up to \$750 per course.
- ✓ All the U.S. Armed Services offer some type of spouse educational assistance for family members in paying part of college classes. Spouses of U.S. Army personnel can pick up

applications in Room 128 of Building 212 or at the Army Emergency Relief (AER) Office in Building 318 on SHAPE and the ACS Office at NSA Annex Brussels. Air Force personnel spouses can pick up forms at the Air Force Counselors office, Room 111 of Building 212. Navy and Marine Corps personnel spouses can pick up forms from the Navy Element at Building 212 in room 126.

- ✓ The Universities of Maryland, Oklahoma and Phoenix, as well as Central Texas College provide university residence and distance education classes. Central Texas College offers Associate degrees. The University of Maryland offers 2-year, 4-year and graduate degree programs. The University of Oklahoma offers 1 graduate program at the SHAPE Education Center. The University of Phoenix also offers graduate programs. Besides the in-house residence courses, you can obtain a degree through Distance Education Classes (correspondence and on-line). Please contact a Field Representative for further details:
Central Texas College, DSN 423- 3309, RM 112
University of Maryland, DSN 423-5173, RM 119
University of Oklahoma, DSN 423-3654, RM 109
University of Phoenix, DSN 423-4645, RM 113
- ✓ The Army Personnel Testing (APT) Program encompasses standardized test to determine eligibility for specialized training and to support the Army's personal selection and classification process, including language proficiency testing.

Alternate Flight Aptitude Selection Test (AFAST) evaluates candidates for admission to the Army flight program.

Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT) reevaluates in-service personnel who wish to improve their ASVAB scores to qualify to reenlist, change MOS, and attend Warrant Officer Training, Officer Candidate School or Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC).

Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) evaluated high school students and individuals wishing to enlist

in the Armed Forces or in-service personnel wishing to be recruited by another branch of the service.

Defense Language Aptitude Battery (DLAB) evaluates the aptitude of in-service personnel nominated for language training to learn a language in on or four levels of difficulty categories.

Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) is given to service members who have received foreign language training and need to have that training validated or re-validated.

These are just a few of the Army Personal Testing Program test that can be taken by service members. Please contact the Test Administrator at SHAPE Military **5501** or an Education Center Guidance Counselor at SHAPE Military **3466** or **366-6367**.

- ✓ The Defense Activity Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) offers college level tests to service members at no charge and for a fee to family members and authorized civilians. These tests include CLEP, DANTES, and ECE. In addition, Certification Tests can also be taken. The Education Center Testing Center also offers GRE-Subject Exams and PRAXIS Tests at scheduled times throughout the year.
- ✓ The Education Center provides HEADSTART language classes in French and Dutch (Which are mandatory to USAREUR soldiers through O5) and adult family members on a space available basis.
- ✓ The Army ROTC Green to Gold program allows qualified soldiers the ability to attend college and earn a commission in the Active and Reserve Components. For more information contact an Counselor or www-rotc.monroe.army.mil
- ✓ The Air Force offers counseling for Air Force members and their family members working in the SHAPE and Brussels Communities. The Air Force Counselor can be reached at DSN: **423-4446** or CML **065/44.44.46**.