

CREDENTIALING ASSISTANCE

BECOME A
CERTIFIED
PROFESSIONAL!



WHAT IS IT?

The Credentialing Assistance (CA) Program provides Soldiers with funding for more than 1,900 credentials listed on <https://www.cool.osd.mil/army/>

HOW DO I QUALIFY?

- Be currently serving in good standing in the ARNG and have a Common Access Card (CAC)
- Not be flagged
- Officers no longer incur a Military Service Obligation (MSO)
- Have an ETS or MRD 31+ days remaining in service after completion of CA- funded course(s)/ exam(s)

WHAT DO I GET?

- Up to \$4,000/fiscal year (max TA and CA)
- Maximum of \$1,000/year to pay for select aviation related credentials (Active Duty/AGR Soldiers only)
- Pays expenses for course training, materials, supplies, textbooks, and exam
- Can be used for any credential listed on www.cool.osd.mil/army and does not have to be related to the Soldier's MOS
- All expenses are paid prior to course/exam start date (Soldiers who pay out of pocket will not be reimbursed)
- Popular Certifications:
 - CompTIA Network+ and CompTIA Security+
 - Project Management Professional (PMP)
 - Private Pilot, Airplane Single Engine
 - Certified Personal Trainer (NASM-CPT)
 - Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

HOW DO I APPLY?

- Contact your State ESO/ESS to discuss the CA application process and verify eligibility
- Ensure your credential is listed on Army COOL at: <https://www.cool.osd.mil/army/search/CredSearchAlpha.htm>
- Apply online at: <https://www.armyignited.army.mil> 45+ days prior to course/exam start date

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Contact the CA Virtual Counseling Center at: https://www.cool.osd.mil/army/costs_and_funding/index.html?credentialingassistance (select the "Contact an Army CA Counselor" button)
- Visit us Online: www.nationalguard.com/education
- Contact your State Education Services Office: www.nationalguard.com/select-your-state



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