

# TEAMS

Transition Employment Assistance for Military Spouses

## Website Guide

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**ACCREDITATION**

Accredited online website. Search for vocational school's admission and completion rates, [www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/vocational-trade-school/](http://www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/vocational-trade-school/)

Better Business Bureau, [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org)

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, [www.consumerfinance.gov/complaint/](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/complaint/)

Council for Higher Education Accreditation and US Department of Education list of recognized accrediting organizations, <https://www.chea.org/search-institutions>

U.S. Department of Education information educational institutions accreditation, <https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home>

U.S. Department of Education information about diploma mills, <https://www2.ed.gov/students/prep/college/diplomamills/diploma-mills.html>

**AMERICAN JOB CENTER**

U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) online portal for Veterans and Military Spouses; Select Find a Job and enter your location in the American Job Center Finder, [www.veterans.gov/](http://www.veterans.gov/)

American Job Center (AJC), <https://www.careeronestop.org/LocalHelp/AmericanJobCenters/american-job-centers.aspx>

DOL's American Job Center locator, <https://www.careeronestop.org/LocalHelp>

**APPRENTICESHIP**

Apprenticeship.gov. Discover apprenticeships across industries, how programs are started by employers, and how to become an apprentice. <https://www.apprenticeship.gov/employers/explore-apprenticeship>.

DOL Employment and Training Administration general information about apprenticeships and access to contact information for regional and local state apprenticeship agencies, <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/apprenticeship>.

DoD SkillBridge overview of program requirements and eligibility, <https://dodskillbridge.usalearning.gov/>.

**CAREER COUNSELING**

DoD's Spouse Education and Career Opportunities Program provides cost-free Career Counseling, <https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil/portal/home/secocounseling>

DOD's Military Spouse Transition Program (MySTeP) provides online education and information for spouses throughout their service member's career, <https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil/portal/mystep>

**CAREER RESEARCH AND ASSISTANCE**

My Next Move, <https://www.mynextmove.org>

O\*NET Online. Data on emerging careers; including descriptions, outlook, wages, and relevant in-demand technologies, <https://www.onetonline.org/>

O\*NET Interest Profiler, <https://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip>

CareerOneStop links to up-to-date industry trends, career trends, occupation profiles, business finder and job finder tools. Also use **mySkills myFuture** to find careers with similar skills.

- [www.careeronestop.org/](http://www.careeronestop.org/)
- <https://www.myskillsmyfuture.org/>

Military OneSource, <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/>

Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook provides occupation descriptions, [www.bls.gov/ooh/](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/)

**CERTIFICATION / CREDENTIALING / LICENSING**

The CareerOneStop Certification Finder tool can identify available certifications by keyword or by occupation,

- [www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-certifications.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-certifications.aspx)
- [www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-licenses.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-licenses.aspx)
- [www.careeronestop.org/FindTraining/find-training.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/FindTraining/find-training.aspx)

DoD Civilian COOL, <https://www.cool.osd.mil/dciv/index.htm>

License Recognition for Military Spouses Resource Guide, <https://www.veterans.gov/milspouses/pdf/License-Recognition-For-Military-Spouses-Resource-Guide-20190417.pdf>

**COLLEGE**

CareerOneStop guide to colleges, [www.careeronestop.org/FindTraining/Types/college.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/FindTraining/Types/college.aspx)

College Navigator, Institute of Education Services National Center for Education Statics (IES > NCES), <https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>

My Career Advancement Account (MyCAA) Scholarship Program  
<https://mycaa.militaryonesource.mil/>

U.S. Department of Education guide to choosing a school, <https://studentaid.gov/resources/prepare-for-college/students/choosing-schools>

**COST OF LIVING CALCULATORS**

Bankrate.com, <https://www.bankrate.com/calculators/savings/moving-cost-of-living-calculator.aspx>

Numbeo.com, <https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/>

SmartAsset.com, <https://smartasset.com/mortgage/cost-of-living-calculator>

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

No-cost online classes:

- Coursera, <https://www.coursera.org/>
- EdX, [www.edx.org](http://www.edx.org)
- Grow with Google, virtual training, and certifications, <https://grow.google/>

Financial Aid for Military and Veterans <https://www.teachingdegree.org/resources/financial-aid-for-veterans/>

**INTERNSHIPS**

USAJOBS Pathways for federal government internships, [www.usajobs.gov/StudentsAndGrads](http://www.usajobs.gov/StudentsAndGrads)

U.S. Chamber of Commerce internship opportunities, [www.uschamber.com/about-us/careers/internship-opportunities](http://www.uschamber.com/about-us/careers/internship-opportunities)

**INTERVIEW PREPARATION**

CareerOneStop Interview Preparation,

<https://www.careeronestop.org/JobSearch/Interview/interview-tips.aspx>

LinkedIn Interview Preparation, <https://www.linkedin.com/interview-prep>

Indeed Career Guide – Interview Preparation,

- <https://www.indeed.com/career-advice/interviewing>
- <https://www.indeed.com/career-advice/interviewing/interview-questions-for-managers>

**LABOR MARKET INFORMATION**

Learn about careers, <https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Learn/learn-about-careers.aspx>

The National Labor Exchange (NLx) database of job openings in public, private, and nonprofit sector organizations, <https://usnlx.com/>

Bureau of Labor Statistics site for comprehensive and up to date LMI; provides deep dive into current economic situation in the United States, [www.bls.gov/](http://www.bls.gov/)

- Bureau of Labor Statistics resources for jobseekers, [www.bls.gov/audience/jobseekers.htm](http://www.bls.gov/audience/jobseekers.htm)
- Employment Projections, <https://www.bls.gov/emp/>
- Occupation Comparison, <https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Learn/compare-occupations.aspx>
- Outlook data, O\*NET Bright Outlook occupations, <https://www.onetonline.org/find/bright>
- Skills Matcher, <https://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Skills/skills-matcher.aspx>
- Skills data, <https://www.onetonline.org/>
- State employment projections - Projections Central, <https://www.projectionscentral.com/>
- State Labor Market Information office, [https://www.careerinfonet.org/select\\_state.asp?from=&next=lmi1&id=11&nodeid=13&socode=](https://www.careerinfonet.org/select_state.asp?from=&next=lmi1&id=11&nodeid=13&socode=)
- Wage data, Occupational Employment Statistics Survey, <https://www.bls.gov/oes/>

**LICENSING**

The CareerOneStop License Finder tool can help you determine if an occupation is licensed in a state and provide links to the state agency website for information on requirements and how to apply, [www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-licenses.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-licenses.aspx)

**MILITARY SPOUSE JOB SEARCH**

No-cost online job portals:

- U.S. DOL Military Spouse portal; select link to find jobs, <https://www.veterans.gov/milspouses>
- Military Spouse Jobs, [www.militaryspousejobs.org](http://www.militaryspousejobs.org)
- Military Spouse Employment Partnership, <https://msejobs.militaryonesource.mil/msep>
- National Labor Exchange virtual jobs, <https://virtualjobs.usnlx.com/>
- USAJOBS houses most federal job vacancy announcements, [www.usajobs.gov/](http://www.usajobs.gov/)
- VirtForce, connection to remote careers <https://virtforce.us/>

**NETWORKING**

Hiring Our Heroes Programs for Military Spouses, various programs for spouses to include networking opportunities, professional workshops, hiring events, and mentoring and fellowship programs, <https://www.hiringourheroes.org/military-spouses/>

Hire Heroes USA , free job search assistance to military members, veterans and their spouses, and help companies connect with opportunities to hire them, <https://www.hireheroesusa.org/>

**SALARY RESEARCH**

Salary.com, <https://www.salary.com/>

Calculator.net, <https://www.calculator.net/salary-calculator.html>

Glassdoor.com, <https://www.glassdoor.com/Salaries/know-your-worth.htm>

SmartAsset, <https://smartasset.com/taxes/paycheck-calculator>

**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION** Resources to start your own businesses, [www.SBA.gov/bootstobusiness](http://www.SBA.gov/bootstobusiness)

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

Facebook. Stay connected with friends, family, and community, [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

LinkedIn. Build and engage with a professional network. Access knowledge, insights, and opportunities, [www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com)

- Access tutorials on how to use LinkedIn and other social media platforms, <https://www.linkedin.com/learning/>
- LinkedIn Premium upgrade for military information, [www.linkedin.com/military](http://www.linkedin.com/military)
- LinkedIn Help topics and tutorials topics, <https://www.linkedin.com/help/linkedin>

- Twitter. Online news and social networking service, [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com)

## TECHNOLOGY

CareerOneStop list of hot technologies, [www.onetonline.org/search/hot\\_tech/](http://www.onetonline.org/search/hot_tech/)

## TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Transition Assistance Program (TAP), <https://tapevents.org/>

TAP Online (Virtual) Courses TAP curriculum can be viewed for All Courses or filtered for Core Requirements, Transition Tracks or Military Life Cycle (MLC), <https://tapevents.org/courses>

- **Boots to Business** - This course is for those interested in exploring business ownership or other self-employment opportunities. Participants learn about evaluating business concepts, developing a business plan, the resources available to access technical assistance, start-up capital, contracting opportunities, and more.
- **DOL Career and Credential Exploration** - This course offers an opportunity to complete personalized career development assessments of occupational interests and aptitudes. Participants will then be guided through a variety of career considerations, including labor market projections, education, apprenticeships, certifications, and licensure requirements
- **DOL Employment Workshop** - This course presents a comprehensive view covering best practices in career employment, including learning interview skills, building effective resumes, and using emerging technology to network and search for employment.
- **Employment Fundamental of Career Transition** - This course lays the foundation for transition from military to civilian careers by introducing essential tools and resources needed to evaluate career options, gain information for civilian employment, and understand the fundamentals of the employment process.
- **Financial Planning for Transition** - This course provides transitioning Service members with an understanding of how transition may impact their finances and provides the tools and resources for a successful financial transition.
- **Managing Your (MY) Education** - This course, designed for anyone pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree, includes information on choosing a field of study, selecting an institution, gaining admission, and funding your education.

**VA BENEFITS AND PROGRAMS**

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs comparison tool for finding estimated benefits by school or program, [www.va.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool](http://www.va.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool)

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs GI Bill benefits for licensing and certification, [www.va.gov/education/about-gi-bill-benefits/how-to-use-benefits/test-fees/](http://www.va.gov/education/about-gi-bill-benefits/how-to-use-benefits/test-fees/)

**VETERANS' RESOURCES**

PatriotLink is a resource database filled with thousands of vetted, direct, cost-free resources tailored to the needs of the military and veteran community, <https://www.patriotlink.org/>

Veterans Benefits Administration information about Veterans' benefits, including education and training, [www.va.gov/education/](http://www.va.gov/education/)

**VOLUNTEERING**

AmeriCorps positions, <https://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ Americorps>

US Public Service and Volunteer Opportunities, <https://www.usa.gov/volunteer>

America's Natural and Cultural Resources Volunteer Portal, <https://www.volunteer.gov/>