

Skills Development Program (SDP) Courses Available

SDP Office: Building 13150, Room 311 www.mccscp.com/transition
CPsdp@usmc.mil / (760) 725-6517

Come learn about ALL the skills courses at our **2018 Monthly Skills Brief held on the 1st Tuesday of each Month!**
Building 13150, Classroom 2 / 0900-1130 / No registration necessary / military uniform acceptable.

For specific course information and to apply, please contact the POC listed.

Airstreams Renewables

7-Week Energy & Communication Tower Technician / Course held at Ft. Irwin; Billeting Provided / Active Duty / Uses GI Bill / POC Eric Aliste 760-222-6508; eric.aliste@air-streams.com; www.air-streams.com

- Cohort 11: Jul 2 – Aug 17, 2018 (apply by 6/11/18)
- Cohort 12: Aug 20 – Oct 5, 2018 (apply by 7/30/18)
- Cohort 13: Oct 8 -- Nov 30, 2018 (apply by 9/17/18)
- Cohort 14: Dec 3 – Jan 25, 2019 (apply by 11/12/18)

Archi's Institute for Sustainable Agriculture (AISA)

6-Week Small Scale Farming, Hydroponics, and Agribusiness Course held in Escondido, CA / Active Duty & Spouses / Uses GI Bill / POC Robert Blundell 760-626-6360;

Robert.B@archisinstitute.com; www.archisinstitute.com

- Cohort 12: Jun 25 – Aug 3, 2018 (apply by 6/4/18)
- Cohort 13: Aug 20 – Sept 28, 2018 (apply by 7/30/18)
- Cohort 14: Oct 8 – Nov 16, 2018 (apply by 9/17/18)

Veterans in Piping (VIP)

18-Week Welding and Pipe Fitting Training toward Apprenticeship held on Camp Pendleton/ Active Duty / Free / Info Session every Wed at 1430; POC Sean Ellis 310-753-1577 to reserve seat; aj.seanellis@gmail.com www.uavip.org

- Cohort 28: July 16 – Nov 15, 2018 (apply by 6/18/18)
- Cohort 29: Dec 3 – Apr 11, 2019 (apply by 11/5/18)
- Cohort 30: Apr 29 – Aug 29, 2019 (apply by 4/1/19)

Workshops for Warriors (WFW)

16-Week course with 2 tracks: Welding or Machining held in downtown San Diego / Active Duty / Free / POC Anne Bottema 619-550-1620; anne@wfwusa.org; sign up online:

www.workshopsforwarriors.org

- Cohort 6: Aug 27 – Dec 14, 2018 (apply by 7/27/18)
- Cohort 7: Jan 2 – Apr 19, 2019 (apply by 12/5/18)

BMW Service Technician Education Program (STEP)

16-Week training toward becoming a BMW Service Technician held on Camp Pendleton / Active Duty / Free / POC Sal Jimenez 619-997-3307; sjimenez@uti.edu

- Cohort 2: July 9 - Oct 26, 2018 (apply by 6/18/18)

Microsoft Software & Systems Academy (MSSA)

19-Week Course with 3 track options: Server & Cloud Admin. (networking), Cloud Development (coding), or Cyber Security / Active Duty / Uses GI Bill / Martin Schwab 760-385-0152 schwa0a8@erau.edu; www.military.microsoft.com/mssa

- Cyber Security held in Oceanside
Cohort 15: Jul 1 – Nov 9, 2018 (apply by 5/17/18)
Cohort 19: Feb 15 – Jun 26, 2019 (apply by 1/2/19)
- Cloud Developer held in San Diego
Cohort 14: Aug 6 – Dec 16, 2018 (apply by 6/22/18)
Cohort 18: Jan 7 – May 19, 2019 (apply by 11/26/18)
- Server & Cloud Admin on Camp Pendleton
Cohort 16: Aug 6 – Dec 16, 2018 (apply by 6/22/18)
Cohort 17: Jan 7 – May 19, 2019 (apply by 11/26/18)

Onward to Opportunity (O2O)

Hybrid professional certification course with 3 track options: Information Technology, Customer Excellence, and Business Management / 3 days in classroom, 90 days online / Active Duty & Spouses / Free / POC Aixa Escobar

Camp Pendleton O2O@syr.edu; www.onward2opportunity-vctp.org

- Cohort 11: May 29 – Sept 13, 2018 (apply by 5/8/18)
- Cohort 12: Aug 21 – Nov 29, 2018 (apply by 7/31/18)
- Cohort 13: Oct 9 – Jan 18, 2019 (apply by 9/18/18)

Hiring Our Heroes Corporate Fellowship Program

12-Week Internship (Bachelor's or Associate's Degree required) local San Diego placements/ Active Duty / Free /

MGomez@USChamber.com

- Cohort 6: Aug 22 – Nov 9, 2018 (apply by 6/29/18)
- Cohort 7: Jan 23 – Apr 12, 2019 (apply by 11/30/18)

Warrior Training Advancement Course (WARTAC)

10-Week Course toward becoming a Veteran Service Representative (VSR) GS-7 position with Dept. of V.A. (Federal Resume Required) / Active Duty / Free / POC Robert Hightower 760-725-6517; Robert.hightower@usmc.mil

- Cohort 7: Dates Coming FY-19

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Skills Development Program (SDP) APPLICATION PROCESS

The SDP offers courses that are geared toward learning high-demand industry-specific skills with the high-probability of securing employment prior to exiting the military. All courses offer a job interview, placement, or certification to enhance entry into the civilian workforce.

1) Program Eligibility

The SDP is directed by MARADMIN 550/13. You must meet all seven eligibility requirements listed below:

1. Enlisted first term Service Member or careerist who is expected to be released from active duty within 180 days of starting the course with an honorable discharge, including general discharge under honorable conditions.
2. Must have enough time to complete the program while on active duty. Securing an extension to your existing End of Active Service (EAS) in order to participate is not authorized.
3. Have completed Transition Readiness Seminar (TRS) or Transition GPS (Goals, Planning, and Success).
4. Have successfully passed your most current Physical Fitness Test (PFT) and Combat Fitness Test (CFT) (or equivalent if non-Marine Corps participant). Must be completed within the appropriate fiscal year.
5. Have received a Standards of Conduct Rating of at least a 4.0 and a Standards of Proficiency Rating of at least 4.0 on your most recent performance evaluation (or be recommended for promotion or advancement, or other military equivalent for non-Marine Corps participant.)
6. Have attended an ethics brief or completed a DOD-approved ethics training (MarineNet Training: PD18A02 Developing Ethical Conduct) within last 12 months (or equivalent if non-Marine Corps).
7. This would be your first skills course, meaning you have not previously completed, are currently participating in, or had participation terminated from another SDP course.

To apply, you must want employment
and be available to be hired and working within 30 - 90 days after the end of the course.

2) Application Process

1. **Gain Course Awareness and Determine if a Good Career Fit:** Inquire directly to the course POC as each course has different requirements. The POC will schedule an individual or group information session. At this meeting:
 - a. You will learn the pre-requisites, action items, due dates, and selection process of the course.
 - b. You will complete an "Applicant Intake Sheet" and secure the "MCCS application packet".

Important: You must secure the application packet from the course POC, otherwise it is not valid.

2. **Complete MCCS Application Packet:** Secure proper signatures on the necessary four (4) documents.
 - 1) Command Screening Checklist: (Battalion CO or XO or Adjutant by Direction)
 - 2) Command Authorization Letter: (Battalion CO or XO or Adjutant by Direction)
 - 3) Verification of V.A. Education Benefits: (VA Benefits Advisor)
 - 4) Acknowledgement of Responsibilities: (Self)

Remember: The rank of the approval authority on both
the Command Screening Checklist and the Command Authorization Letter is an **04 or above**.

3. **Qualify for the Course:** Please deliver the completed signed 4 documents to the SDP office, building 13150, room 311, (760) 725-6517 prior to the course due date. The SDP office will review the paperwork in your presence and verify that all the documents are complete. If everything is in order, then you will be considered "a qualified applicant". If stationed off Camp Pendleton, please scan and email your documents to the SDP office.

Special note: It is critical that you submit your signed application packet by the DUE DATE!

4. **Follow Selection Process:** Each course has its specific requirements, admissions procedure, and selection process. Please understand and adhere to the detailed requirements and due dates. **The course provider will select participants. Both you and your command will be notified of your application status.**

APPLYING TO A COURSE DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOU A SEAT INTO THE COURSE. Due to limited seats, all courses are competitive and have a SELECTION PROCESS, either an interview, an exam, a scoring system, or a résumé review. Some are first-come, first-serve. **Best to apply early!**