



## Top 4 FAQs – AU-ABC

### 1. What is the AU-ABC program?

Air University-Associates to Baccalaureate Cooperative (AU-ABC) establishes partnerships between the Air Force and civilian institutions to provide Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) graduates advanced education opportunities at the baccalaureate level. This program targets active-duty Air Force, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members. Degree requirements, however, may be completed after students retire or separate from the Air Force. Students will work directly with the AU-ABC school to complete enrollment and degree requirements.

### 2. What programs are included?

AU-ABC baccalaureate programs cover graduates of all CCAF AAS degrees. Currently more than 200 baccalaureate degree programs are available in a variety of disciplines to include but not all encompassing:

Administration of Justice  
Adult and Career Education  
Aeronautics  
Allied Health  
Applied Management  
Applied Science  
Aviation Maintenance  
Border Security  
Business Administration  
Computer Science  
Criminal Justice  
Cybersecurity  
Education and Training  
Electronics Engineering

Technology  
Energy Management  
Engineering Technology  
Fire Science  
General Studies  
Health Sciences  
Human Resources  
Management  
Industrial Technology  
Intelligence Studies  
Information Technology  
Management  
Information Systems

Logistics and Supply Chain  
Management  
Marketing  
Multidisciplinary Studies  
Operations Management  
Professional Aeronautics  
Psychology  
Security Management  
Sports Science  
Strategic Leadership  
Technical Management  
Web Information Systems

### 3. Which Civilian Universities are part of AU-ABC?

Each civilian university partner has gone through a review process that links their AU-ABC programs to one or more CCAF degrees.

- Students work directly with the school to enroll and manage degree program progress.
- Upon completion of all requirements, the partnering institution will award the baccalaureate degree.
- Currently more than 55 approved colleges and universities are participating.
- For the most up-to-date information on participating schools and programs, visit the Air Force Virtual Education Center (AFVEC).

### 4. How do I apply for an AU-ABC program?

- Determine Your Category
  - i. Cat I





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1. Programs designed for DAF members with a Community College of the Air Force Associate in Applied Science (CCAF AAS) degree. These CCAF graduates are guaranteed that no more than 60 semester hours of additional credit will be required to complete a bachelor's degree.
  - ii. Cat II
    1. Programs designed primarily for DAF members who are currently enrolled in a CCAF AAS degree program. Partnering institutions will identify specific prerequisite coursework the CCAF students need to complete as part of their CCAF General Education and Program Elective requirements. These courses would simultaneously fill both the CCAF AAS requirements and some of the AU-ABC degree requirements. Upon completion of their CCAF degree, students would be guaranteed that no more than 60 semester hours of additional credit will be required to complete an AU-ABC degree if they follow the published AU-ABC degree plan.
  - iii. Cat III
    1. Programs which require CCAF AAS graduates to complete more than 60 semester hours of credit beyond the AAS but meet all other AU-ABC specifications.
    2. Note: The degrees in this category must still link to one or more CCAF AAS programs and have exceptional value for the Air Force
- Explore AU-ABC Degree Programs
    - i. <https://afvec.us.af.mil/afvec/au-abc/search>
  - Apply to School/Program
    - i. Use the program listing from step 2 to find a program and school which best fits your needs.
  - Create Education Goal
    - i. Once you have found an approved AU-ABC program for your AFSC, submit an Education Goal. On Step 2 of the goal submission, ensure you check that this is an AU-ABC goal.
  - Start a Funding Request
    - i. Once your Education Goal has been approved, you may apply for tuition assistance from your approved goal in AFVEC

## CCAF Advisor

Did you know we have a CCAF Advisor in our office? Mr. Ryan Klemcke can assist you with all your questions regarding your associate's degree from CCAF. He is available between 0830-1600 Monday through Friday in the Education Center or you can contact him at [ryan.klemcke.1.ctr@us.af.mil](mailto:ryan.klemcke.1.ctr@us.af.mil).



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## Testing Corner

It is promotion testing season! Here are some tips to remember to ensure that your testing session goes as smooth as possible:

- Pay close attention to the **confirmation emails** you receive regarding your test. These communications have pertinent information regarding date, time, location, and required documents for your specific test.
- Make sure you have your **CAC** with you. Do not forget this item!
- Plan to arrive NLT 15 minutes **before** your scheduled test time.
- Arrive in **uniform** for all tests. Civilian clothes are not authorized during testing.
- No food or water is allowed in the testing rooms. This includes gum and candy.
- All cell phones, smart watches, fitness trackers, study materials, etc. **MUST** be left outside the testing room. There are lockers available outside the testing room for your use during your test.
- Don't forget to study and prepare for your test!

**HOT:** For those who are taking foreign language tests, there are some exciting changes coming to the Foreign Language Pay program. Stay tuned for updates over the next month or so.

The Minot AFB Education Center offers the following tests:

AFCT	AFOQT	AFRAT	CDC	DLAB	DLPT
EDPT	EPQT	FAA	HAZMAT	OPI	TAPAS
TBAS	TYPING	WAPS			

For more information regarding testing, please contact our Test Control Officer at 701-723-4394 and the Civilian Training Manager at 701-723-2883.

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## AF COOL Update

AFCOOL released new complete guidance, effective 1 Mar 2024. Please see the updated DoDI1322.33\_DAFI 36-2683 and the new AFCOOL Handbook for policy changes.

**HOT:** Effective 6 March 2024, the Private Pilot Certification will **ONLY** be funded as an AFSC-related certification! AFCOOL will no longer provide funding for the PPL to any service member that cannot create the education goal as PAFSC-related.

**NOTE:** AF COOL funding requests may take up to 14 calendar days for approval from the AF COOL Program Office due to the extensive review process. Members should plan accordingly.

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## Helpful Websites

### **Air Force Virtual Education Center:**

<https://afvec.us.af.mil/afvec/public/welcome>

### **Frequently Used Websites**

#### **Federal Student Aid**

<https://studentaid.gov/>

#### **GI Bill Comparison**

<https://www.va.gov/education/gi-bill-comparison-tool/>

#### **PSLF Help Tool**

<https://studentaid.gov/pslf/>

#### **PSLF & TEPSLF App**

<https://studentaid.gov/sites/default/files/public-service-application-for-forgiveness.pdf>

#### **SAT Information**

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat?excmplid=vt-00051>

#### **Student Loan Repay**

<https://studentaid.gov/manage-loans/lower-payments>

### **Tutoring Help:**

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

<https://www.mathway.com/Algebra>

<https://www.asvabprogram.com/>

<https://www.dantes.doded.mil/>

<https://dantes.petersons.com/>

<https://www.tutor.com/>

<https://dodmwrlibraries.org/>

<https://military.tutor.com/eligibility>

### **Access the Mango language learning software free**

at <https://dodmwrlibraries.org/>



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## On Base Schools

### Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Office Phone: 701-727-9007

Teams Phone: 928-777-6342

Email: [minot@erau.edu](mailto:minot@erau.edu)

Website: <https://worldwide.erau.edu/locations/minot/>

#### Upcoming Terms:

Mar 18, 2024 – May 19, 2024 (9 weeks)

Apr 15, 2024 – Jun 16, 2024 (9 weeks)

#### Schedule:

[Course Search | Embry-Riddle  
Aeronautical University - Worldwide  
\(erau.edu\)](#)

### Minot State University

Phone: 701-727-9044

Phone: 701-340-0812

Website: <http://www.minotstateu.edu/cel/mafb.shtml>

#### Upcoming Terms:

Mar 11, 2024 – May 2, 2024 (8 weeks –  
Term 2)

#### Schedule:

[Minot AFB Spring 2024 Class Schedule](#)





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