

SOCAD ARMY CAREER DEGREE

ARMY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY

CMF 68 (91) Medical
MOS 68W (91W) Health Care Specialist
SOCAD-2 NETWORK — Open Network

COLLEGE AND DEGREE

Mountain State University
Associate of Science - Medical Assisting

DEGREE OBJECTIVE — Occupational, intended for employment in clinical and administrative positions within a health care setting. Accredited by the Commission of Allied Health Programs (CAAHEP) and follows the objectives outlined in the AAMA Role Delineation Study. Graduates may transfer into related resident baccalaureate degree programs within the School of Health Sciences.

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ACADEMIC RESIDENCY — 18 SH from Mountain State University.
Mountain State University distance learning courses can meet this requirement.

HOW TO USE THE DEGREE PLAN

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HOW TO PROCEED

Use the resources mentioned above to determine whether this is the right degree for you. If you are unsure, review Selecting the Right Degree, Appendix IV. If you will soon complete BNCOC or WOBC, look at Appendix II and estimate your status. If not, or if you want a more complete picture, check the Requirement pages to determine how many you have met, how many remain, and how you might satisfy them. Consult your Army Education Center counselor or use the contact information shown above to enroll. Ask the college for an official evaluation and a SOCAD Student Agreement degree plan based on this degree plan. It will show exactly what you must do to complete the degree. Decide which remaining requirement to pursue next; go to its individual Requirement page and explore your options. Repeat the last step until you have met all the degree requirements for graduation.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

Mountain State University
Associate of Science - Medical Assisting

REQUIREMENT		SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
A	ENGL 101 & 102 - English Composition I & II	6	X			X		X
B	Humanities/Fine Arts Electives	3	X			X		X
C	PSYC 201 Principles of Psychology	3	X		X	X		X
D	HLTH 211 - Medical Terminology I	3	X	X	X	X		X
E	HLTH 212 - Medical Terminology II	3			X	X		X
F	MAST 101 - Keyboarding - OR - MAST 201 - Intermediate Information Processing	3	X					X
G	BIOL 215 & BIO 215L - Human Anatomy & Physiology I & Lab	5	X	X	X	X		X
H	MAST 103 - Introduction to Medical Assisting Skills	3		X				X
I	MAST 102 Administrative Procedures I	3		X	X			X
J	HLTH 200 – Principles of Communication in Health Care	3		X	X			X
K	MATH 102 - Beginning Algebra	3				X		X
L	Computer Competency Electives	3	X			X		X
M	MATH 104 - Business Mathematics	3	X			X		X
N	MAST 105 & MAST 105L - Clinical Procedures I and Lab	3		X	X	X		X
O	OFAD 214 - Medical Transcription I	3	X			X		X
P	OFAD 218 - Medical Coding I	3				X		X
Q	MAST 202 - Administrative Procedures II	3		X	X			X
R	MAST 205 & MAST 205L - Clinical Procedures II and Lab	3		X	X			X

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	REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
S	MAST 201 - Intermediate Information Processing - OR - OFAD 202 - Advanced Document Production	3	X					X
T	HCMI 301 - Introduction to Medical Informatics	3						X
U	ACCT 211 - Principles of Accounting I	3	X			X		X
V	PHIL 200 - Medical Ethics and Law	3				X		X
W	MAST 203 - Administrative Procedures III	3		X	X			X
X	MAST 207 & MAST 207L - Clinical Procedures III and Lab	3		X	X			X
Y	MAST 210 Clinical Practice	4		X				X
	TOTAL	81						

- An "X" indicates that the college guarantees to accept credit from the source shown for at least part of the requirement. See details for credit awarded for each particular requirement on the following pages.
- CLEP, DANTESSST, and Excelsior examination scores must meet or exceed cut-off scores in the Mountain State University Catalog.
- Mountain State University will review students' transcripts to avoid duplication of credit awarded for degree requirements.
- Mountain State University challenge exams currently are being reviewed and their challenge exams are subject to change. Contact the Mountain State University POC for more information.
- If a soldier has completed any certification listed on the COOL web site (<https://www.cool.army.mil>), he or she should contact the Mountain State University Point of Contact to find out how, if any, course credit can be awarded. Course credit, if awarded, would be based upon an individual evaluation of a soldier's record.
 - Note: Mountain State University will award credit to soldiers who have an EMT license. Students must submit a copy of their licensure to the admissions office to be evaluated for course equivalents.

Note: If your training and experience are other than the schools and MOS shown in Appendix I, inform the university when you apply.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT A

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
ENGL 101 & 102 - English Composition I & II	6	X			X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

EN024A – English Composition I
EN025A – English Composition II

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category numbers shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

CLEP – English Composition with Essay 6 SH
 ECE – College English Composition 6 SH

Note: Only ENGL 101 is available through testing.

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

ENGL 101 English Composition I 3 SH
 ENGL 102 English Composition II 3 SH

Any Composition I and II courses listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 11.07.00 Composition.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT B

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
Humanities/Fine Arts Electives	3				X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

PL081A – Ethics

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not Applicable

TESTS

CLEP General - Humanities	6 SH
CLEP – American Literature	3 SH
CLEP – Analyzing & Interpreting Literature	3 SH
CLEP – English Literature	3 SH
CLEP – College Level French, German, or Spanish.....	3 SH
DANTES SST – Art of Western World	3 SH
DANTES SST – Ethics in America.....	3 SH
DANTES SST – Introduction to World Religions	3 SH
DANTES SST – Contemporary Western Europe.....	3 SH
DANTES SST – Introduction to the Modern Middle East	3 SH

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

HIST 350 World Religions	3 SH
Any course in art (ART), literature from English (ENGL), humanities (HUMN), selected interdisciplinary studies (IDS), music (MUSC), philosophy (PHIL), or Spanish course	3 SH

Any course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 08.00.00 Fine and Applied Arts or 11.00.00 Language Arts.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT C

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
PSYC 201 Principles of Psychology	3	X		X	X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

PS101A – Introduction to Psychology

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0704-0015 (8/98-Present) Physical Therapy Specialty (Phase 1)

Applied psychology 3 SH

Psychology 2 SH

AR-0704-0011 (2/96-12/04) Occupational Therapy Specialist (Phase 1)

Applied psychology 3 SH

TESTS

CLEP – Introduction to Psychology 3 SH

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

PSYC 201 Principles of Psychology 3 SH

Any course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 20.09.00 Psychology, Introduction.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT D

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
HLTH 211 - Medical Terminology I	3	X	X	X	X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

AH007A – Medical Terminology

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)	
Basic medical emergency procedures	3 SH
91B30 (8/94–9/01)	
Basic medical emergency procedures	3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065 AIT	
(5/03-Present) Terminology	3 SH
(1/01-4/03) Medical terminology	3 SH
AR-0709-0032 AIT	
(5/96-12/01) Emergency medical technology.....	3 SH
(4/93-4/96) Medical terminology	2 SH
(3/91-3/93) Medical terminology	2 SH
AR-0709-0049 BNCOC	
(1/94-Present) Applied pharmacology	2 SH
(10/91-12/93) Applied pharmacology	2 SH
AR-0702-0021 Cardiovascular Specialty	
(2/97-Present) Pharmacology	1 SH
(1/95-1/97) Pharmacology	1 SH

TESTS

Mountain State University - HLTH 211 - Medical Terminology I Challenge Exam	3 SH
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*Note: Contact the Mountain State University POC for more information; a study guide will be provided.

*Mountain State University challenge exams currently are being reviewed and their challenge exams are subject to change. Contact the Mountain State University POC for more information.

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

HLTH 211 Medical Terminology I.....	3 SH
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Any Medical Terminology I course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 09.06.00 Medical Terminology.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT E

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
HLTH 212 - Medical Terminology II	3			X	X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

AH008A – Advanced Medical Terminology

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065 AIT	
(5/03-Present) Terminology	3 SH
(1/01-4/03) Medical terminology	3 SH
AR-0709-0032 AIT	
(5/96-12/01) Emergency medical technology.....	3 SH
(4/93-4/96) Medical terminology	2 SH
(3/91-3/93) Medical terminology	2 SH
AR-0709-0049 BNCOC	
(1/94-Present) Applied pharmacology	2 SH
(10/91-12/93) Applied pharmacology	2 SH

TESTS

Mountain State University - HLTH 212 - Medical Terminology II Challenge Exam 3 SH
 *Note: Contact the Mountain State University POC for more information; a study guide will be provided.

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DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

HLTH 212 Medical Terminology II..... 3 SH

Any Medical Terminology II course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 09.06.00 Medical Terminology.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT F

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 101 - Keyboarding - OR - MAST 201 - Intermediate Information Processing	3	X					X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

OF006A – Word Processing

OF010A – Introductory Keyboarding

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category numbers shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 101 Keyboarding 3 SH

MAST 201 Intermediate Information Processing 3 SH

Any Word Processing course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 05.02.00 Computer Studies, Introduction.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT G

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
BIOL 215 & BIO 215L - Human Anatomy & Physiology I & Lab	5	X	X	X	X		X

Note: Mountain State University will award credit for the highest number of semester hour equivalents. Each student's transcripts will be evaluated to avoid duplication of credit.

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

BL023A – Anatomy and Physiology Survey (with Laboratory)

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Introduction to anatomy and physiology.....	3 SH
Clinical experience	1 SH
91B30 (8/94–9/01).....	4 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065, AIT

(5/03–Present) Anatomy and physiology	5 SH
(1/01–4/03) Anatomy and physiology.....	4 SH

AR-0709-0032, AIT

(5/96–12/01) Anatomy and physiology	1 SH
(3/91–4/96) Anatomy and physiology	2 SH
(8/87–2/91) Physiology.....	2 SH

AR-0709-0049, BNCO

(1/94–Present) Anatomy and physiology	2 SH
(10/91–12/93) Anatomy and physiology	2 SH

AR-0702-0021, Cardiovascular Specialty (Phase 1)

(2/97–Present) Anatomy and physiology.....	3 SH
(1/95–1/97) Anatomy and physiology.....	3 SH

AR-0704-0011 (2/96–12/04) Occupational Therapy Specialist

Functional human anatomy and physiology (Phase 1)	4 SH
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AR-0704-0015 (8/98–Present) Physical Therapy Specialty (Phase 1)

Anatomy and physiology	5 SH
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AR-0704-0016 (11/00–Present) Orthopedic Specialist (Phase 1)

Musculo-skeletal anatomy and physiology	2 SH
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AR-0706-0002 (1/90–Present) Eye Specialist (Phase 1)

Anatomy and physiology	1 SH
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AR-0801-0036 (7/96–Present) Special Operations Combat Medic

Anatomy and physiology	4 SH
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TESTS

ECE – College Examination - Anatomy and Physiology 6 SH

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

BIOL 215 & BIO 215L Human Anatomy & Physiology I & Lab 4 SH

Any course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 16.12.05 Physiology, Human and Animal course.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT H

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 103 - Introduction to Medical Assisting Skills	3		X	X			X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

ARMY MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Clinical experience 3 SH

91B30 (8/94-9/01)

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065, AIT

(5/03-Present) Patient care procedures 3 SH

(5/03-Present) Clinical practicum 3 SH

(1/01-4/03) Patient care procedures 3 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 103 Introduction to Medical Assisting Skills 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT I

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 102 Administrative Procedures I	3		X	X			X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Clinical experience 3 SH

91B30 (8/94-9/01)

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065 AIT

(5/03-Present) Patient care procedures..... 3 SH

(5/03-Present) Clinical practicum..... 3 SH

(1/01-4/03) Patient care procedures 3 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 102 Administrative Procedures I..... 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT J

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
HLTH 200 - Principles of Communication in Health Care	3						X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

HLTH 200 Principles of Communication in Health Care..... 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT K

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MATH 102 - Beginning Algebra or higher level	3						X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

MH047A – Intermediate Algebra

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

Note: Mountain State University will accept MATH 102 or higher level math course to fulfill this degree requirement.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

CLEP – College Algebra..... 3 SH
 CLEP – College Algebra-Trigonometry 3 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MATH 102 Beginning Algebra 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT L

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
Computer Competency Electives	3	X		X	X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

CS001A – Introduction to Computers
OF006A – Word Processing
OF034A – Introductory Computer Spreadsheet Applications
OF035A – Advanced Computer Spreadsheet Applications
OF037A – Introduction to Application Software

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category numbers shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0702-0021 Cardiovascular Specialty
 (2/97-Present) Introduction to computers 1 SH
 (1/95-1/97) Introduction to computers 1 SH
 AR-2201-0579 (10/03-Present) Battle Staff
 Information systems 1 SH
 AR-2201-0412 (1/91–5/98) Battle Staff
 Introduction to information systems..... 1 SH

TESTS

CLEP – Information Systems and Computer Applications 3 SH
 DANTES SST – Introduction to Computers..... 3 SH

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

IT 100 Introduction to Computers 1 SH
 IT 101 Introduction to Word Processing..... 1 SH
 IT 102 Introduction to Spreadsheets 1 SH
 IT 103 Introduction to Databases 2 SH
 IT 104 Introduction to Computer Presentations 1 SH
 IT 105 Introduction to the Internet 1 SH

Any course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 05.00.00 Computer and Information Science.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT M

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MATH 104 - Business Mathematics	3	X			X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

MH071A – Business Mathematics

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

DANTES SST – Business Mathematics 3 SH

Mountain State University - MATH 104 - Business Mathematics Challenge Exam..... 3 SH

*Note: Contact the Mountain State University POC for more information; a study guide will be provided.

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MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MATH 104 Business Mathematics 3 SH

Any course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 14.02.01 Business Mathematics.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT N

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 105 & MAST 105L - Clinical Procedures I and Lab	3		X	X	X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Clinical experience 3 SH

91B30 (8/94-9/01)

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065, AIT

(5/03-Present) Clinical practicum..... 3 SH

(5/03-Present) EMT theory 3 SH

(5/03-Present) Advanced EMT 3 SH

(5/03-Present) Basic life support 1 SH

(1/01-4/03) Basic EMT (theory and clinical) 3 SH

(1/01-4/03) Advanced EMT (theory and clinical)..... 2 SH

AR-0709-0032 (5/96-12/91) AIT

Nursing clinical experience 1 SH

AR-0709-0049, BNCO

(1/94-Present) Assessing/managing injuries..... 3 SH

AR-0704-0011 (2/96-12/04) Occupational Therapy Specialty

Clinical practice in occupational therapy (Phase 2) 3 SH

AR-0704-0014 (8/98-Present) Physical Therapy Specialty (Phase 2)

Clinical experience in physical therapy 3 SH

AR-0704-0019 (11/00-Present) Orthopedic Specialist (Phase 2)

Clinical experience in orthopedics 3 SH

AR-0702-0020, Cardiovascular Specialty

(7/97-Present) Cardiovascular technician 3 SH

(1/95-6/97) Cardiovascular technician 3 SH

AR-0801-0036 (7/96-Present) Special Operations Combat Medic

Emergency clinical 3 SH

Emergency care 3 SH

AR-0707-0025 (10/96-Present) Immunization/Allergy Specialty

Basic nursing skills..... 2 SH

Nursing practicum 1 SH

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TESTS

Not applicable

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(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/)

MAST 105 & MAST 105L Clinical Procedures I and Lab 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT O

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
OFAD 214 - Medical Transcription I	3	X			X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

AH009A – Medical Transcription

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

OFAD 214 Medical Transcription I 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT P

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
OFAD 218 - Medical Coding I	3				X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Mountain State University - OFAD 218 - Medical Coding I Challenge Exam..... 3 SH

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DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

OFAD 218 Medical Coding I 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT Q

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 202 - Administrative Procedures II	3		X				X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Records and information management..... 3 SH

Clinical experience 3 SH

91B30 (8/94–9/01)

Records and information management..... 2 SH

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065 AIT

(5/03-Present) Clinical practicum..... 3 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 202 Administrative Procedures II 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT R

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 205 & MAST 205L - Clinical Procedures II and Lab	3		X	X			X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Fundamentals of nursing 3 SH

Clinical experience 3 SH

91B30 (8/94-9/01)

Fundamentals of nursing 3 SH

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065 AIT

(5/03-Present) Clinical practicum..... 3 SH

AR-0709-0032 (5/96-12/01) AIT

Basic nursing skills..... 2 SH

AR-0709-0049 (1/94-Present) BNCOC

Assessing/managing injuries..... 3 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 205 Clinical Procedures II and Lab 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT S

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 201 - Intermediate Information Processing - OR - OFAD 202 - Advanced Document Production	3	X					X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

OF006A – Word Processing
OF013A – Advanced Word Processing

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category numbers shown above.

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 201 Intermediate Information Processing 3 SH
 OFAD 202 Advanced Document Production 3 SH

Any Information Processing course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 03.04.00 Clerical/Secretarial Studies.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT T

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
HCMI 301 - Introduction to Medical Informatics	3						X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

HCMI 301 Introduction to Medical Informatics 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT U

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
ACCT 211 - Principles of Accounting I	3	X			X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

AC021A – Financial Accounting Principles for Sole Proprietorships

Any college's course listed in the Transferability Tables of the current *SOCAD Handbook* for the category number shown above

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

CLEP – Principles of Accounting..... 3 SH
 DANES SST – Principles of Financial Accounting..... 3 SH

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

ACCT 211 Principles of Accounting I 3 SH

Any Accounting Principles course listed in the *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* under code 03.01.00 Accounting Principles.

DEGREE REQUIREMENT V

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
PHIL 200 - Medical Ethics and Law	3				X		X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

Not applicable

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Mountain State University - PHIL 200 Medical Ethics and Law Challenge Exam 3 SH

*Note: Check with Mountain State University POC for more information.

*Mountain State University challenge exams currently are being reviewed and their challenge exams are subject to change. Contact the Mountain State University POC for more information.

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

PHIL 200 Medical Ethics and Law 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT W

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 203 - Administrative Procedures III	3		X				X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50 (10/01-Present)

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

Not applicable

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 203 Administrative Procedures III 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT X

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFI- CATION/ LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 207 & MAST 207L - Clinical Procedures III and Lab	3		X	X			X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Fundamentals of nursing 3 SH

Basic medical emergency procedures 3 SH

Clinical experience 3 SH

91B30 (8/94-9/01)

Fundamentals of nursing 3 SH

Basic medical emergency procedures 3 SH

Clinical experience 3 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0032 (5/96-12/01) AIT

Basic nursing skills 2 SH

AR-0709-0049 (1/94-Present) BNCOC

IV Therapy 1 SH

Assessing/managing injuries 3 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 207 Clinical Procedures III and Lab 3 SH

DEGREE REQUIREMENT Y

REQUIREMENT	SH	SOCAD	ARMY MOS	ARMY SCHOOL	TESTS	CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE	DISTANCE LEARNING
MAST 210 Clinical Practice	4		X	X			X

The college guarantees to accept the following:

CREDIT SOURCE

SOCAD

Not applicable

MOS

91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present)

Field experience in medical emergency procedures..... 3 SH

Clinical experience 1 SH

91B30 (8/94–9/01)

Field experience in medical emergency procedures..... 4 SH

ARMY SCHOOL

AR-0709-0065 AIT

(5/03-Present) Clinical practicum..... 4 SH

TESTS

Not applicable

DISTANCE LEARNING

MOUNTAIN STATE UNIVERSITY

(http://www.mountainstate.edu/prospective/programs/extended_distance/online/):

MAST 210 Clinical Practice 4 SH

APPENDIX I

MILITARY-RELATED EXPERIENCES APPLIED TO THIS DEGREE

The college guarantees to grant the following course credits from the military-related learning experiences listed below to the extent that they match degree requirements. Maximum credit is shown for each item. It is necessary to match the credit to actual requirements, eliminating duplication and addressing instances where the credit is insufficient to meet the total requirement. For example: Is there a way to compensate for the credit short-fall or does the experience fail to meet the requirement? See the individual requirement pages for guidance and choose where the credits can most effectively be applied.

Important: This evaluation should culminate in a SOCAD Student Agreement.

MILITARY-RELATED LEARNING EXPERIENCE	A	B	OPTIONAL NOTES ON USE OF CREDIT
Basic Training, AR-2201-0399, 3/00-Present	5	0	
Basic Training, AR-2201-0399, 7/85-2/00	4	0	
AIT, 91W, AR-0709-0065, 5/03-Present	44	44	Requirements D, E, G, H, I, N, Q, R
AIT, 91W, AR-0709-0065, 1/01-4/03	27	27	Requirements D, E, G, H, I, N
AIT, 91B, AR-0709-0032, 5/96-12/01	10	10	Requirements D, E, G, N, R, X
AIT, 91B, AR-0709-0032, 4/93-4/96	11	11	Requirements D, E, G
AIT, 91B, AR-0709-0032, 3/91-3/93	10	10	Requirements D, E, G
AIT, 91B, AR-0709-0032, 8/87-2/91	5	2	Requirement G
PLDC, AR-2201-0253, 10/03-Present	4	0	
PLDC, AR-2201-0253, 3/89-9/93	3	0	
PLDC, AR-2201-0253, 4/84-2/89	3	0	
BNCOC Common Core, AR-1406-0090, 10/01-Present	3	0	
BNCOC Common Core, AR-1406-0090, 4/94-9/01	2	0	
BNCOC Common Core, AR-1406-0090, 3/86-3/94	1	0	
BNCOC, AR-0709-0049, 1/94-Present	15	8	Requirements D, E, G, R, X
BNCOC, AR-0709-0049, 10/91-12/93	15	4	Requirements D, E, G
BNCOC, AR-1408-0203, 5/02-Present	9	0	
BNCOC, AR-1408-0203, 6/98-4/02	5	0	
BNCOC, AR-1408-0203, 4/95-5/98	5	0	
BNCOC, AR-1408-0203, 10/91-3/95	4	0	
ANCOC Common Core, AR-1404-0035, 10/01-Present	2	0	
ANCOC Common Core, AR-1404-0035, 10/00-9/01	2	0	
ANCOC Common Core, AR-1404-0035, 4/94-9/00	4	0	
ANCOC Common Core, AR-1404-0035, 2/89-3/94	4	0	
ANCOC, AR-0799-0027, 5/02-Present			Pending evaluation
ANCOC, AR-0799-0027, 4/98-4/02	4	0	
ANCOC, AR-0799-0027, 1/95-3/98	3	0	
ANCOC, AR-0799-0027, 10/91-12/94	4	0	
First Sergeant Course, AR-0802-0020, 10/00-Present	4	0	
First Sergeant Course, AR-0802-0020, 10/91-9/00	4	0	
First Sergeant Course, AR-0802-0020, 1/90-9/91	6	0	
SMC, AR-1408-0148, 9/95-Present	22	0	
SMC, AR-1408-0148, 1/91-8/95	18	0	
SMC, AR-1408-0148, 1/90-12/90	18	0	
SMC Nonresident, AR-1408-0149, 12/94-Present	11	0	
SMC Nonresident, AR-1408-0149, 7/90-11/94	12	0	
SMC Nonresident, AR-1408-0149, 1/90-6/90	10	0	
Battle Staff Operations, AR-2201-0579, 10/03-Present (ASI-2S)	4	1	Requirement L

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Battle Staff Operations, AR-2201-0412, 1/91-5/98 (ASI-2S)	3	1	Requirement L
Occupational Therapy Specialty, Phase I, AR-0704-0025, 1/05-Present			Pending evaluation
Occupational Therapy Specialty, Phase II, AR-0704-0026, 1/05-Present			Pending evaluation
Occupational Therapy Specialist, AR-0704-0011, 2/96-12/04	31	11	Requirements C, G, N
Physical Therapy Specialty (phase 1), AR-0704-0015, 8/98-Present	25	11	Requirements C, G, N
Physical Therapy Specialty (phase 2), AR-0704-0014, 8/98-Present	8	0	
Orthopedic Specialist, Phase I, AR-0704-0016, 11/00-Present	10	5	Requirement G
Orthopedic Specialist, Phase 2, AR-0704-0019, 11/00-Present	5	3	Requirement N
Orthopedic Specialist, AR-0704-0009, 3/94-1/00	15	0	
Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialty (phase 1), AR-0709-0061, 7/05-Present			Pending evaluation
Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialty (phase 1), AR-0709-0061, 3/97-6/05	6	0	
Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialty (phase 2), AR-0709-0063, 7/05-Present			Pending evaluation
Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialty (phase 2), AR-0709-0063, 3/97-6/05	6	0	
Eye Specialty, AR-0706-0002, 1/90-Present	10	0	
Master Fitness Trainer, AR-0803-0012, 10/86-Present	4	0	
Special Operations Combat Medic, AR-0801-0036 (7/96-Present)	29	10	Requirements G, N
Cardiovascular Specialty (phase 1) AR-0702-0021, 2/97-Present	40	4	Requirements D, G, L
Cardiovascular Specialty (phase 1) AR-0702-0021, 1/95-1/97	40	4	Requirements D, G, L
Cardiovascular Specialty (phase 2) AR-0702-0020, 7/97-Present	20	3	Requirement N
Cardiovascular Specialty (phase 2) AR-0702-0020, 1/95-6/97	20	3	Requirement N
Immunization/Allergy Specialty, AR-0707-0025, 10/96-Present	3	3	Requirement N
MOS			
91W10 10/01-Present			Based on individualized assessment
91W20 10/01-Present			Based on individualized assessment
91W30 10/01-Present	27	27	Requirements D, G, H, I, N, Q, R, W, X, Y
91W40 10/01-Present	34	34	Requirements D, G, H, I, N, Q, R, W, X, Y
91W50 10/01-Present	37	37	Requirements D, G, H, I, N, Q, R, W, X, Y
91B20-006 8/94-2/95	17	0	
91B30-006 8/94-9/01	24	24	Requirements D, G, H, I, N, Q, R, X, Y
91B40-006 8/94-9/01	30		
91B50-006 8/94-9/01	30		

Column A = Maximum credits recommended.

Column B = Maximum credits that can actually be used in this degree.

Note the requirement letter code and semester hours drawn from each experience as it is applied to a specific requirement. The total for each experience cannot exceed the credit shown in the Semester Hours column B.

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Steps for Applying Military-Related Learning Experiences

1. In the first column of the preceding table, check each learning experience that can be validated for the soldier. Choose only the highest level MOS attained.
2. Review the individual letter-coded requirement pages and devise a preliminary strategy for applying the credits.
 - A. Work from the most specific to the more general requirements (i.e., first, specific requirements; next, specific categories of electives; last, free electives).
 - B. Work from completely satisfied requirements to partially-met requirements (i.e., unless there is a satisfactory way to make up for the shortfall in credit, the requirement might not be met by the particular experience. See college policy on the letter-coded requirement page.).
 - C. Check for possible duplication by considering whether two or more credit recommendations are based on the same learning experience (e.g., was a skill credited for the MOS also granted for AIT in an instance where that MOS skill was fully learned in AIT? It is possible for a skill to be *properly* credited from two sources if the learning acquired in each setting is sufficiently different, but caution is needed to avoid duplication.)
3. Track the credits consumed in the table above, noting the requirement letter code and the semester hours applied.

APPENDIX II EXAMPLES OF CREDIT OUTCOMES

Actual outcome for a soldier who completed AIT, BNCOC, and holds the 91W30 MOS

Note: If your training and experience are other than the schools and MOS shown in Appendix I, inform the university when you apply.

Mountain State Univ. Requirement		SH	Army Learning Experience and ACE Guide Credit Recommendation	SH Applied	SH Remaining
D	HLTH 211 Medical Terminology I	3	91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present) Basic medical emergency procedures-3 SH - OR - AR-0709-0065 (5/03-Present) AIT Terminology-3 SH	3	0
E	HLTH 212 Medical Terminology II	3	AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Terminology-3 SH	3	0
G	BIOL 215 & BIO 215L Human Anatomy & Physiology I & Lab	5	AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Anatomy and physiology-5 SH	5	0
H	MAST 103 Introduction to Medical Assisting Skills	3	AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Patient care procedures-3 SH	3	0
I	MAST 102 Administrative Procedures I	3	91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present) Clinical experience-3 SH - OR - AR-0709-0065 AIT Patient care procedures-3 SH	3	0
N	MAST 105 & MAST 105L Clinical Procedures I and Lab	3	91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present) Clinical experience-3 SH - OR - AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Clinical practicum-3 SH	3	0
Q	MAST 202 Administrative Procedures II	3	AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Records and information management-3 SH AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Clinical practicum-3 SH	3	0
R	MAST 205 & MAST 205L Clinical Procedures II and Lab	3	AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Fundamentals of nursing-3 SH - OR - AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Clinical practicum-3 SH	3	0
W	MAST 203 Administrative Procedures III	3	91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present) Clinical experience-3 SH	3	0
X	MAST 207 & MAST 207L Clinical Procedures III and Lab	3	91W30/40/50-004 (10/01-Present) Clinical experience-3 SH - OR - AR-0709-0049 BNCOC (1/94-Present) Assessing/managing injuries SH	3	0
Y	MAST 210 Clinical Practice	4	AR-0709-0065 AIT (5/03-Present) Clinical practicum-4 SH	3	0
	Other Requirements	45		0	0
	TOTAL DEGREE	81		36	45

This representation may vary depending on the soldier's precise time periods in the schools and MOSs. It is also possible that ASIs and other additional sources of specialized credit might increase this general estimate.

APPENDIX III

HOW TO USE REQUIREMENT PAGES

1. REQUIREMENT

A college course (or the broader category shown in lieu of a course) required for the degree.

2. SH (SEMESTER HOURS)

Semester (or quarter - QH) hours of unduplicated credit needed to meet the requirement. Unduplicated means that the same learning experience cannot already have been used to satisfy another requirement, and that if you combine smaller amounts of recommended credit to meet the total, they must represent unique learning experiences.

3. SOCAD

The letter-number combinations shown represent categories of comparable courses in the SOCAD system that are guaranteed to transfer. Use the SOCAD Handbooks to find specific college courses in the categories (*SOCAD-2 Handbook* for associate degrees; *SOCAD-4 Handbook* for bachelor's degrees). The categories are found in Section 5 of the handbooks. Your objective is to identify a college offering a course at a location where you can attend since they are generally not distance learning courses. Once found, determine if it is currently offered and enroll using the procedures of your Army Education Center. SOCAD Handbooks are available at www.soc.aascu.org/.

4. ARMY MOS

If the requirement lists credit for your MOS, work with the college evaluator preparing your SOCAD Student Agreement to establish that it fully meets the requirement (i.e., it is worth the required number of SH) or that it can be combined with other credit sources. Avoid duplication of credit. *ACE Guide Online* is available at www.militaryguides.acenet.edu/ if you want to examine recommendations in detail.

5. ARMY SCHOOL

If the requirement lists credit for a military school you have attended, work with the college evaluator preparing your SOCAD Student Agreement to establish that it fully meets the requirement (i.e., it is worth the required number of SH) or that it can be combined with other credit sources. Avoid duplication of credit. *ACE Guide Online* is available at www.militaryguides.acenet.edu/ if you want to examine recommendations in detail.

6. CERTIFICATE/LICENSE

If the requirement lists credit for a certificate or license you hold, work with the college evaluator preparing your SOCAD Student Agreement to establish that it fully meets the requirement (i.e., it is worth the required number of SH) or that it can be combined with other credit sources. Avoid duplication of credit. Additional information is available online at <https://www.cool.army.mil>, www.acenet.edu/calec/corporate, and www.dantes.doded.mil.

7. TESTS

If the requirement lists acceptable tests and you would like to take them, consult your local Army Education Center or additional information is available at www.dantes.doded.mil.

8. DISTANCE LEARNING

If the requirement shows that distance learning courses are available, contact the college regarding its courses or examine *DANTES Independent Study Catalog* listings at www.dantes.doded.mil.

APPENDIX IV SELECTING THE RIGHT DEGREE

1. SELECTING THE RIGHT SOCAD ARMY CAREER DEGREE PLAN

There are three kinds of degree plans:

- (1) **SOCAD Army Career Degree:** Typical civilian degrees that match the specialty skills of an MOS,
- (2) **SOCAD Army Degree – General:** Typical civilian degrees with more general content, and
- (3) **SOCAD Army Degree – Specialized:** Degrees especially crafted to accommodate the uniquely military or otherwise not-easily-matched-to-civilian-courses skills of an MOS.

SOCAD ARMY CAREER DEGREE

The SOCAD Army Career Degree is based on college degrees that uniquely relate to an MOS's skills and contain specific college courses that match its competencies. (Example: A computer studies degree in which recommended credit for military learning is assigned to college courses typically found in a computer studies major.)

SOCAD ARMY CAREER DEGREE - GENERAL

The SOCAD Army Career Degree – General is based on college degrees that match the recommended credit from Army learning experiences to their requirements in more general ways.

Military credit recommendations are assigned to one or more general categories (e.g., a "Skill Area", "Career Component", "Professional Focus", "Emphasis", "Aviation Maintenance" or another broad subject area) instead of to specific college courses uniquely identified with the MOS's special competencies. Possibly useful to soldiers, but less effective in mapping MOS competencies to civilian college courses normally associated with their specialties.

The degree may have a General Studies, Management, or other broad title, possibly useful to soldiers, but not uniquely related to the MOS's special competencies (Example: A computer specialist matched to a degree in Management or General Studies rather than computer studies).

SOCAD ARMY CAREER DEGREE - SPECIALIZED

The SOCAD Army Career Degree – Specialized has many of the same qualities as the General degree except its title and major courses may be predominantly military in nature or are otherwise different than a typical civilian course for the same skill. The degree title and major courses would not typically be found in civilian higher education. As with the General Purpose degree plan, the Specialized one may be useful to soldiers but would be less effective in mapping MOS competencies to civilian college courses normally associated with their specialty. (Example: A college degree named for a military specialty and containing courses that are unique to it.)

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2. BROADER GENERAL DEGREE CHOICES

A number of colleges offer flexible degrees that combine military credit and general education to form flexible, efficient-for-soldiers degrees. If it is not important that the soldier's degree closely resemble a civilian one in the occupational specialty (i.e., be comprised of major-area courses normally associated with the field), such a program might be appropriate. Many General Studies network curriculums found in the SOCAD-2 system fit this model. Examples of Internet accessible distance learning programs of this kind can be found at: www.excelsior.edu, www.tesc.edu, www.umuc.edu, www.ctcd.cc.tx.us, www.uophx.edu, and others (refer to the *SOCAD-2 Handbook*, www.soc.aascu.org, Locations by Network).

3. WILL YOU CONTINUE FOR A BACHELOR'S DEGREE?

Some MOSs have bachelor's degree plans you can pursue directly without an interim associate degree. With this approach you have no transfer concerns, but if you stop short of completion you have no interim degree. An associate degree's title (e.g., AA, AS, AAS, etc.) alone will not ensure successful transfer to a bachelor's degree program. It depends more on the correct matching of the 2- and 4-year programs' course content.

Read the Degree Objective statement on the degree plan carefully. If questions remain, raise them with the bachelor's degree program to which you intend to transfer. It is important to select the right courses based on considerations like: Are they intended to transfer? Do they have a place in your bachelor's degree curriculum? Must they be taken in the upper division (junior or senior year) of a bachelor's degree institution?