

What's In Your Toolbox? (College Counseling Resources)

Online & Electronic Resources *** All Web URLs listed for information ONLY!		
Name		Address/URL
Accreditation / Diploma Mills		
	Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)	http://www.chea.org/degreetmills/default.htm
	ED.gov	http://www2.ed.gov/students/prep/college/diplomamills/resources.html
	Federal Trade Commission (on Degree/Diploma Mills)	http://www.ftc.gov/opa/2005/02/diplomamills.shtm
	Oregon State Office of Degree Authorization	http://www.osac.state.or.us/oda/diploma_mill.html
	College Navigator	http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/
	U.S. Dept of Education	http://www.ope.ed.gov/accreditation/
American Legion - College Financial Aid for Military		
	Need A Lift?	http://needalift.org/
College Search		
	Brain Track	http://www.braintrack.com
	Campus Explorer	http://www.campusexplorer.com/colleges/search/
	College Board	https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search
	College Navigator	http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/
	College Net	http://cnsearch.collegenet.com/cgi-bin/CN/index
	College View -- Hobsons' college recruiting services	http://www.collegeview.com/index.jsp
	Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)	http://www.chea.org/search/default.asp
	DoD MOU Schools	http://www.dodmou.com/
	USMC - AEX (Academic Explorer for Military)	http://www.mcaex.net/Search.aspx
	Peterson's	http://www.petersons.com/college-search.aspx
	U.S. Dept of Education	http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx
	U.S. News & World Report	http://www.usnews.com/education
Distance Learning		
	DANTES Distance Learning Readiness Self-Assessment (DLRSA)	http://www.dantescatalogs.com/DIDemo/dlDemoIntro.aspx
	DANTES Distance Learning Resources	http://www.dantescatalogs.com/
	Peterson's DL search	http://www.petersons.com/college-search/distance-education.aspx
Executive Order 13607		
	Federal Register - Executive Order 13607	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-05-02/pdf/2012-10715.pdf
Financial Aid		
	American Opportunity Tax Credit (Previously called Hope Credit)	http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=211309,00.html
	Baby Mint	https://www.babymint.com/
	Big Future - College Board	https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college
	FinAid	http://www.finaid.org/
	Financial Aid Finder	http://www.financialaidfinder.com/
	Free Application for Federal Student Aid	http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/
	Go College	http://www.gocollege.com/
	Lifetime Learning Credit	http://www.irs.gov/publications/p970/ch03.html
	Reference Service Press	http://www.rspfunding.com/finaidinfo.html
	Sallie Mae Student Loans	https://www.salliemae.com/student-loans/
	Section 529 Prepaid Tuition Programs	http://www.collegesavings.org/index.aspx
	Stafford Loans	http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/studentloans.jsp
	Student Loan Network	http://www.studentloannetwork.com/
	Upromise	http://www.upromise.com/welcome/what-is-upromise
Foreign Transcript Evaluation		
	AACRAO	http://ies.aacrao.org/evaluations/
	NACES	http://www.naces.org/members.htm

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Free College Prep Information		
	CareerOneStop (U.S. Dept of Labor)	http://www.careeronestop.org/
	College Admission Profiles	http://www.college-admission-profiles.com/
	College Board	https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/for-educators
	College Planner	http://www.educationplanner.org/students/self-assessments/index.shtml
	College Readiness for All Toolbox	http://toolbox.pathwaystocollege.net/
	iSeek	http://www.iseek.org/
	Keirsey Temperament Sorter	http://www.keirsey.com/sorter/register.aspx
	Knowhow2go	http://www.knowhow2go.org/
	Student Aid	http://studentaid.ed.gov/
	US Dept of Ed - College Prep info	http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/publications.jsp
Military In-State Tuition		
	H.R. 4137, Sec 114 / Sec 135 - (pg 34 of document)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-110hr4137enr/pdf/BILLS-110hr4137enr.pdf
Online Tutoring		
	tutor.com for U.S. Military	http://www.tutor.com/military
Testing - Admissions Tests / Tests for College Credit		
	ACT (American College Test)	http://www.act.org/
	CLEP (College Level Examination Program)	http://clep.collegeboard.org/
	DSST (formerly DANTES Subject Standardized Tests)	http://www.getcollegecredit.com/
	ECE (Excelsior Credit by Exam)	http://www.excelsior.edu/how-credit-by-exam-works
	GED (General Education Development Certificate)	http://www.gedtestingservice.com/ged-testing-service
	GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test)	http://www.mba.com/
	GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	http://www.ets.org/gre
	LSAT (Law School Admission Test) - Law School Admission Council	http://www.lsac.org/
	SAT Reasoning Test (formerly Scholastic Assessment Test)	http://www.collegeboard.org/
U.S. Department of Education Publications		
	Dept of Ed - Free Publications	http://www.edpubs.gov/
	Dept of Ed - Counselors & Mentors Handbook	http://www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/clcf/attachments/Counselors-Handbook-2013-14.pdf
	Federal Student Aid Information for Counselors	http://www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/
U.S. Department of Labor Information		
	DOL - VETS	http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/tap/
	DOL - ONET	http://www.onetonline.org/
	DOL - OOH	http://www.bls.gov/ooh/
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs		
	VA - Education Programs - Free Brochures	http://www.gibill.va.gov/resources/student_handouts/index.html
	Federal Benefits - online booklet (194 pages)	http://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp
Virtual Libraries / Free online Textbooks/ Research		
	Bibliomania	http://bibliomania.com/
	DoD MWR Library Resources (Peterson's)	http://www.nelnetsolutions.com/dod/
	ERIC Database	http://www.eric.ed.gov/
	Free Federal Resources for Educational Excellence	http://free.ed.gov/index.cfm
	LibrarySpot.com	http://www.libraryspot.com/
	NCES Kids' Zone	http://nces.ed.gov/nceskids/index.asp
	Pearson Education, Inc.	http://www.pearsoned.com/
	Project Gutenberg	http://www.gutenberg.org/
	Textbooksfree.org	http://www.textbooksfree.org/
	Thomas - Library of Congress (Find a U.S. Bill)	http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.php
	U.S. National Archives Library Information Center	http://www.archives.gov/research/
	World Public Library	http://worldlibrary.net/Default.aspx

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Other Education Web Sites (URLs)		
	25 Places to Read Free Online Books	http://educhoices.org/articles/Online Libraries - 25 Places to Read Free Books Online.html
	ACE Military Guide Online	http://militaryguides.acenet.edu/
	ACE National Guide to College Credit for Workforce Training	http://www2.acenet.edu/credit
	Answers.com	http://www.answers.com/
	College - Common Application	https://www.commonapp.org
	Defense Activities for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES)	http://www.dantes.doded.mil/Homepage/Mission.html
	Flat World Knowledge	http://www.flatworldknowledge.com/
	GALE Cengage	http://www.gale.cengage.com/
	Learning Page - Free Resources for Teachers	http://www.learningpage.com/
	Military Education Centers Directory (DANTES web)	http://www.dantes.doded.mil/Resources/EdCenters.aspx
	Online Academic Skills Course (OASC) by Peterson's	http://www.nelnetsolutions.com/dantes/
	Servicemembers' Opportunity Colleges (SOC)	http://www.soc.aascu.org
	The Salary Calculator	http://www.homefair.com/real-estate/salary-calculator.asp
	USA.gov	http://www.usa.gov/Agencies.shtml
	U.S. Dept of Defense Voluntary Education Web Site	http://apps.militaryonesource.mil/voled
	Veteran Friendly Toolkit	http://www.vetfriendlytoolkit.org/

**** NOTE:** Military Members should check with specific military branch Voluntary Education web portals for voluntary education information (Navy VOLED web pages, NKO, Go ArmyEd, AKO, Air Force - AFVEC, Coast Guard Institute, Marine Corps Lifelong Learning, and Military OneSource)