

## FACT:

85,615 exams were taken for recommended college credit in FY 16 (Source: DANTES/DoD, 2016)

# COLLEGE CREDIT BY EXAMINATION

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

The Department of Defense (DoD) Voluntary Education (VoEd) Program, through the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES), offers the Credit-by-Exam program to help service members earn college credit\* for knowledge gained through previous experience, independent study, and/or training. Funded credit-by-exam tests, include:

✓ **CLEP:** The College Board's College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

✓ **DSST:** formerly DANTES Subject Standardized Tests, but now owned and managed by Prometric

## STUDENT BENEFITS:

- ✎ Earn college credit\* for prior knowledge
- ✎ Reduces course completion time; the average exam takes only a few hours vs. 8-15 weeks of course attendance
- ✎ Decreases time to complete degree; reduces the number of courses taken to complete a degree
- ✎ Saves money; DANTES funds one attempt per exam title for eligible examinees
- ✎ Avoids tuition assistance costs for courses replaced by credit earned through testing
- ✎ Exam scores are included on a service member's Joint Services Transcript (JST)
- ✎ Test prep and study materials are provided online, via mobile apps, at installation libraries, and education centers

## PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY:

Active duty service members, including Coast Guard, National Guard and Reserve component members are eligible. Eligible family members include spouses of the Air Force Reserves, Army Reserves, and Coast Guard Reserves.

\*College credit recommendations for these exams are made through the American Council on Education and are subject to the acceptance of individual academic institutions.



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## COUNSELOR RESOURCES:



**Peterson's DoD MWR Libraries:**  
<https://www.nelnetsolutions.com/dodlibrary/>



**College Board/CLEP:**  
[www.clep.collegeboard.org](http://www.clep.collegeboard.org)  
**Prometric/DSST:**  
[www.getcollegedcredit.com](http://www.getcollegedcredit.com)

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