

How to Get **MyCAA Funding**

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- 21% unemployment rate for military spouses, over four times higher than the national average.
- 51% of survey respondents cited spouse unemployment or underemployment as a primary obstacle to financial security.
- 79% of military spouses reported feeling that being married to a service member has adversely impacted on their career.

"Everywhere I go I am forced to start from the beginning. I was an Assistant Director in Virginia. Then a part-time cook in Rhode Island. Now a Records Clerk in California. I feel like I'm going backwards in my career with no help."

What is **MyCAA Funding**

My Career Advancement Account (MyCAA) is a scholarship through the US Department of Defense for **eligible active duty military spouses**. Recipients are eligible to **receive up to \$4,000** for education at any **academic institution approved for participation** in the MyCAA scholarship.

Who Utilizes MyCAA Funding

Key Demographics

- 92% female
- 18-24 average age
- Eligible rank: E-1-E-5, W1-W2, and O1-O2
- Some college but no degree
- Army spouses utilize much more than Navy/Air Force
- Live on military base
- Are looking for entry-level careers
- 1 in 5 eligible spouses participate



Source: U.S. Chamber of Commerce and Public Opinion Strategies Survey of 1,273 spouses of active duty military service members.

Source: RAND National Defense Research Institute: Advancing the Careers of Military Spouses An Assessment of Education and Employment Goals and Barriers Facing Military Spouses Eligible for MyCAA – By Esther M. Friedman, Laura L. Miller, Sarah E. Evan



The goal of MyCAA is to help military spouses gain the education, training, and in-demand skills they need for portable careers that can withstand relocation.

When asked, MyCAA recipients mentioned furthering their careers, job prospects, gaining skills, improving self-esteem, and being able to contribute to family financial well-being.

Enrollment Barriers **and Solutions**

- Lack of awareness
- Family responsibilities
- School location/hours
- Transportation
- Cost
- Work schedule

ed2go is the Solution

Flexibility

Easy-to-use online classroom allows flexibility to take the course from anywhere, at anytime, while continuing to juggle existing responsibilities.

Cost

82% of eligible spouses who reported wanting to be in school but who were not enrolled cited cost as a reason for not pursuing education. ed2go has hundreds of in-demand career training courses, most of which are priced under the \$4,000 allotment.

Portable Career

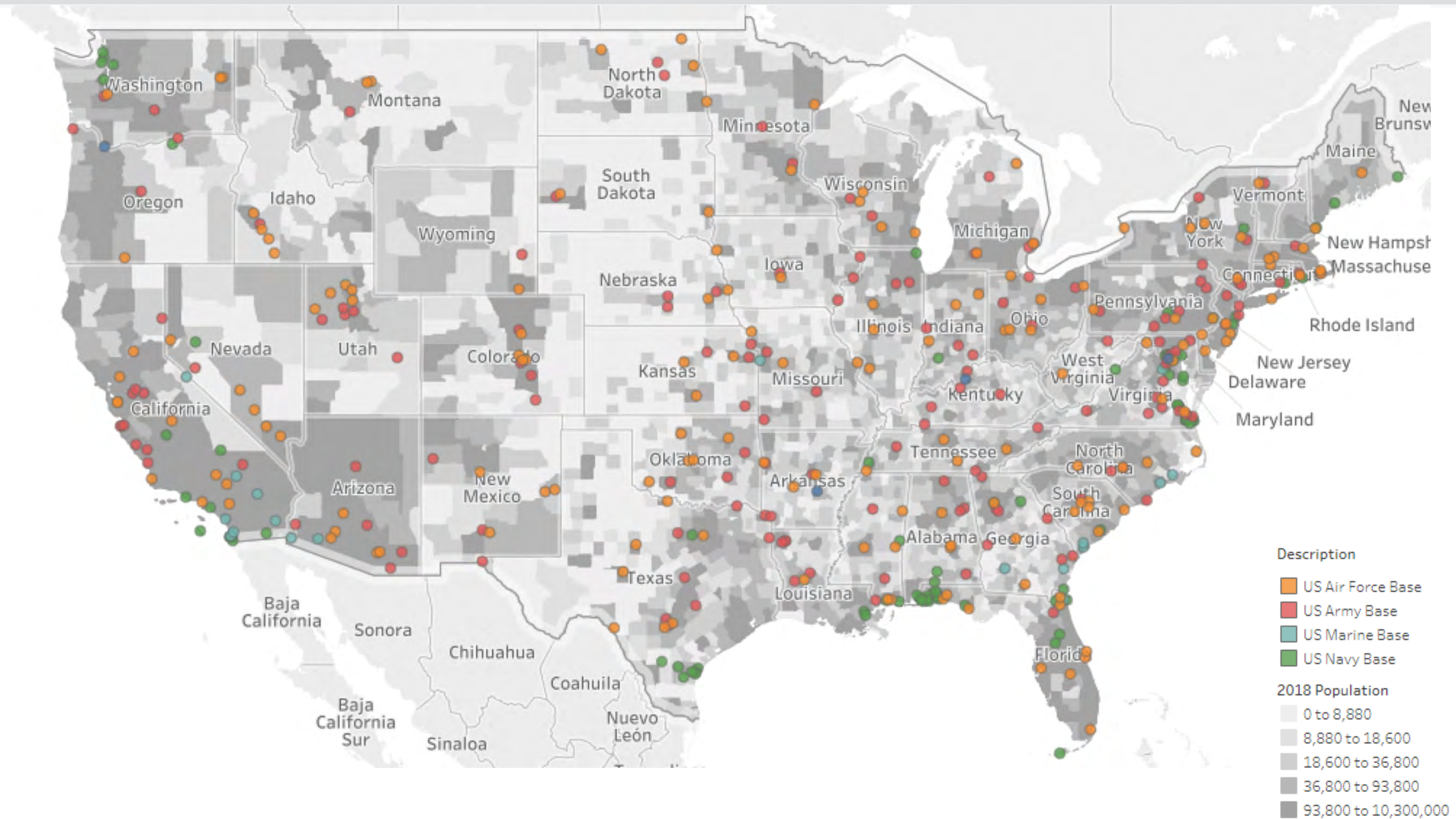
Many courses lead to nationally-recognized certifications, ensuring the industry that students possess the adequate skills, no matter where the students are.

Top Portable Careers for Military Spouses

Human Resources Pro	Pharmacy Technician
Veterinary Assistant	Medical Billing and Coding
Certified Personal Trainer	Clinical Dental Assistant
Certified Childcare Provider	Physical Therapy Aide
Graphic Design	Optician
Photography	Cybersecurity
Event Planning	Software programming

Identifying **the Opportunity**

Your Account Manager can help you identify opportunities in your area. Our extensive mapping locates military bases in proximity to your campus as well as active duty population in your area.



Collateral **to help you market**

MyCAA promotion should be ongoing. There is a continuous flow of new rank spouses entering the military and more than half are unaware of the MyCAA benefit.

Our partner marketing site has flyers, banners, and ad templates available for you to download and use.

<http://partner.ed2go.com/marketing-resources/funding/>



MyCAA
My Career Advancement Account
Education and Training for a Portable Career

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Spouses of service members of the following military branches are eligible:

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- AIR FORCE
- NAVY
- MARINES

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You can receive a \$4,000 MyCAA Scholarship to TRAIN ONLINE FOR A NEW CAREER

MyCAA is the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program, offered by the Department of Defense. It allows military spouses to train for in-demand careers at little or no cost.

Each online program allows you to learn at your convenience and enables you to move your career wherever you are stationed.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Spouses of an active duty Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine service member in pay grades E1-E5, W1-W2, or O1-O2
- If your spouse is in the National Guard or is an AGR Member, they must be on federal Title 10 active duty orders.

Note: You must train your program within 18 months of starting.

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ATTENTION MILITARY SPOUSES!

\$4,000 MYCAA SCHOLARSHIP IS WAITING OR YOU!

As a military spouse, you are eligible to receive a \$4,000 scholarship towards enhancing your skills. We offer a wide variety of Career Training Programs that can prepare you to work in some of the fastest growing, most in-demand industries in the country. Improving your likelihood of finding career opportunities, no matter where you get stationed.

CAREER TRAINING PROGRAM FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Dedicated admissions counselors will help you find a training program that best fits your interests
- Start your training immediately
- 24/7 Access allows you to learn around your busy schedule
- Earn industry recognized certifications
- Many programs include a voucher to take the certification exam
- Your Student Support representatives will guide you through your program and assist you with any questions that arise

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CATEGORIES

- Art and Design
- Business
- Computer Applications
- Construction and Trades
- Health and Fitness
- Hospitality
- Information Technology
- Language
- Legal
- Teacher/Professional Development
- Writing

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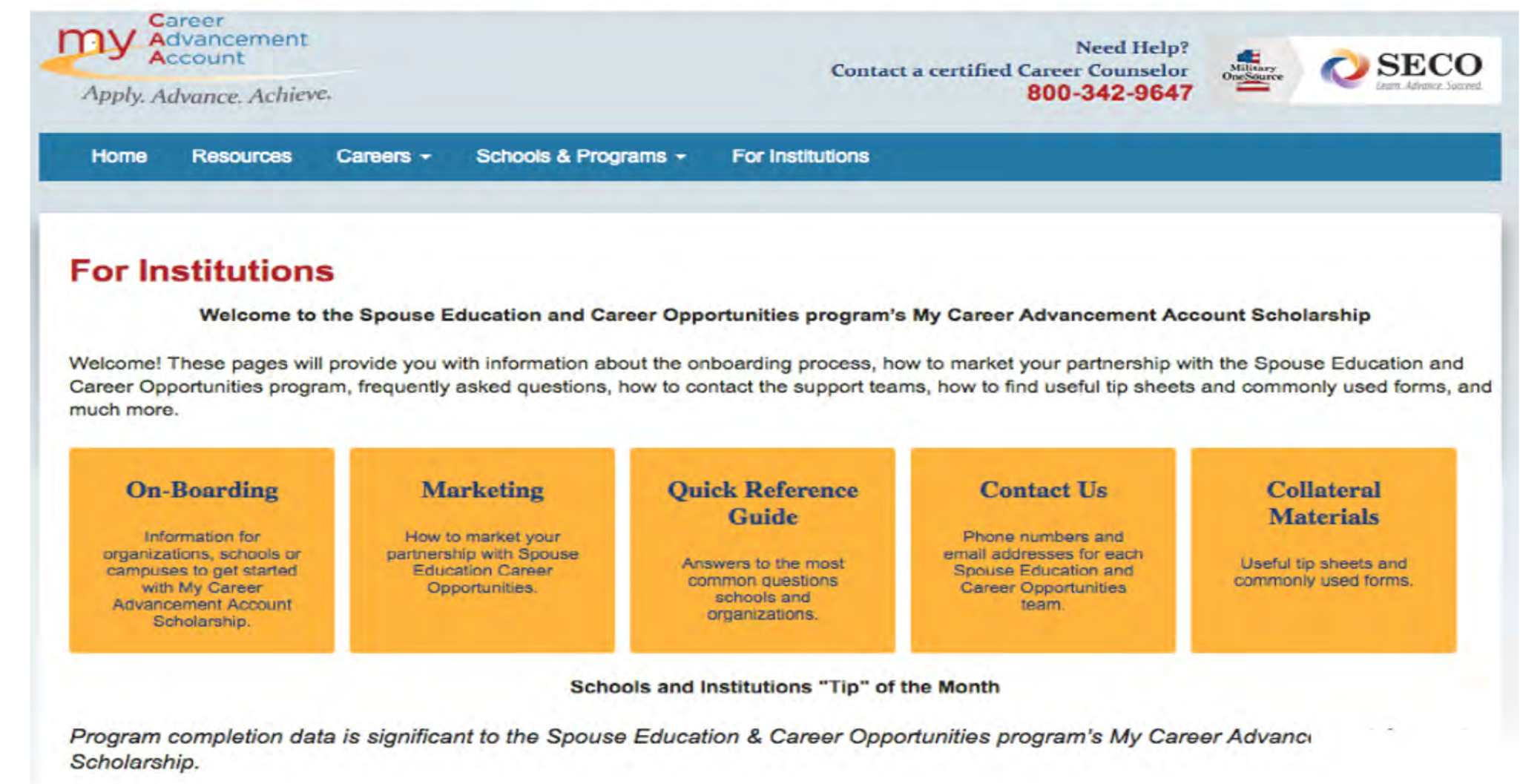
Get Started or Learn More, Visit: mycaa.cc/benefits

Becoming a participating School

Next Steps

Your Account Manager will be following up with you to answer any questions, walk you through the set-up process, or help you maximize your existing MyCAA enrollments.

<https://aiportal.acc.af.mil/mycaa/SchoolResources/Default.aspx>



We look forward to connecting with you and growing your MyCAA enrollments

Thank you **for Attending**



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