Apprenticeships & Trades

Active Duty Programs at the Base Education Center:
USMAP (United Services Military Apprenticeship Program)
Marine Corps COOL (Credentialing Opportunities On-Line)

Training/Transition Program at Career Services/TRP:
SkillBridge Development Program

USMAP:
https://usmap.osd.mil/
Active Duty enlisted only; Log your work hours!
Need 12 months left to get started
Receive previous credit for your training!

Marine Corps COOL:
https://www.cool.osd.mil/usmc/
Active Duty and approved Reserve enlisted only
Exam vouchers for MOS related industry credentials
Must be requested and approved before taking your credential exam
No requirement to pass (do not have to pay back if you fail); one time opportunity per exam
Leader category for all E4 and above enlisted Marines!

SkillBridge Development Program
Be TRS complete
Have 180 days left on active duty
A SkillBridge brief is held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month
All courses train in high-need industries and offer a high probability of securing employment as each course provides job interviews, placements, or certifications.

Contact the SkillBridge Development Program Office for more information and how to get started.
USMAP: Get an apprenticeship with four simple steps

1. **Review Eligible Trades**
Enter your current military occupation to see what apprenticeship trades are related to your primary duties.

2. **Review Requirements**
Review the program requirements to ensure you are eligible for your selected trade.

3. **Enroll in USMAP**
Enroll, and then complete trade or instruction hours and submit signed progress/status reports.

4. **Work & Record Hours**
Once all apprenticeship hours are complete and your final report is approved and processed, your Department of Labor Certificate of Completion and Journeyman card will be available online.

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Request your Marine Corps COOL voucher!

The Marine Corps' Credentials Program Office has a limited amount of certification/license exam voucher funds that may be used by enlisted personnel towards specifically-identified certifications and licenses. These vouchers will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis. In general, the Marine Corps will pay for credentialing exam fees under the following circumstances:

- The credential has been approved for Marine Corps funding;
- The Marine meets eligibility requirements including that the credential is appropriate to their Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) or collateral duty/out of billet MOS and is validated by their Commanding Officer or Command Approving Official; and
- The Marine has a minimum six months remaining on his or her enlistment at the time the credential is awarded.

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Contact the Base Education Center for more information on USMAP and Marine Corps COOL (as well as college/trade school advising):
Mainside/BEC (BLDG 1331), (760) 725-6414
SOI/BEC (BLDG 520512), (760) 725-0606
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Contact the SkillBridge Development Program Office for more information about SkillBridge:
Mainside/Marine & Family Programs (BLDG 13150), (760) 725-6517; cpsdp@usmc.mil