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## AFC® Distance Learning Program - FAQs

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*Disclaimer: The AFC® Distance Learning Program does not discriminate those who have served or are currently serving in the military. Please note the guidelines to use benefits for educational courses is strict. We are continuously trying to find ways to see how benefits can be used to cover the cost of the AFC® Distance Learning Program. If you have any additional information or know how military benefits can be used to cover the cost of the Program, please let us know! Thank you!*

### **Does the GI Bill cover the costs of the AFC® Distance Learning Program?**

No. For the GI Bill to cover the costs of the AFC® Distance Learning Program;

1. Apply to Texas Tech University and be accepted;
2. Find a degree plan or approved certificate;
3. Enroll and be a full-time student; and
4. Complete all necessary core requirement courses, then take the AFC® Approved University Courses

### **Can I use my VA benefits to pay for the AFC® Distance Learning Program?**

First, contact your benefits representative to see if the AFC® Distance Learning Program can be covered by VA benefits. Please make sure to have this document available for your benefits representative.

### **How many credit hours is the AFC® Distance Learning Program?**

The AFC® Distance Learning Program is not based on credit hours. The Program consist of two courses. Each course does not have a specific cost per credit hour. The cost is a flat \$1800 for the entire Program, not per credit hour.

### **Does the AFC® Distance Learning Program provide enough hours to be a full-time student?**

No. The AFC® Distance Learning Program only consist of two courses. To be a full-time student you would need additional courses.

### **Are the courses undergraduate or graduate level?**

The AFC® Distance Learning Program is not determined by undergraduate or graduate level course work. The Program is geared towards working professionals who need the Continuing Education to sit for the AFC® Exam.

### **Is the program taught by Texas Tech University faculty and/or adjunct? Or by a 3rd party?**

The Program is a partnership with AFCPE as a Continuing Education Unit through the Texas Tech University Personal Finance Program. Through this partnership the Personal Finance Program provides instructors for the courses. The instructors are Faculty within the Department of Personal Financial Planning and Graduate Students from the Personal Finance Program.

### **Can I use my benefits and not be a full-time student at Texas Tech University?**

No. In order to use benefits you would need to be enrolled at Texas Tech University as a full-time student. Even if you have completed a degree from a prior University or have any outstanding courses from another University.

### **Is this a degree Program?**

No. The Program is a partnership with AFCPE as a Continuing Education Unit through the Texas Tech University Personal Finance Program.

### **Once I complete the AFC® Distance Learning Program, do I receive a certificate or college credit?**

No. The AFC® Distance Learning Program is classified as a Continuing Education Unit. Once you have passed both courses, the Assistant Director will notify AFCPE® that you have completed the educational requirements and are now eligible to sit for the AFC® Examination.

**I'm from Texas, will I still be able to use my benefits for the AFC® Distance Learning Program?**

No. The guidelines for using benefits applies for in-state and out-of-state participants.

**Is the price of the AFC® Distance Learning Program negotiable based on the type of benefit that I want to use?**

No. The price of the AFC® Distance Learning Program is non-negotiable. The Program cost is \$1800 for two courses. Please see the webpage for more information on pricing and what is included and not included.

**If I'm approved to have the AFC® Distance Learning Program paid for, how do I pay for the Program?**

After you have registered for the Program, the TTU Worldwide eLearning payment link will be emailed to you. Then you will make your electronic payment. It's important to know the payment is through the TTU Worldwide eLearning payment link. You will not be able to pay for the Program through the TTU Military & Veterans Program or TTU Student Business Services. They are not affiliated with the AFC® Distance Learning Program.

**Is there anything the GI Bill will cover toward obtaining the AFC® designation?**

Yes! After you have completed the educational courses, you are eligible to sit for the AFC® Exam. The cost of the exam can be covered by the GI Bill. Before making arrangements, please contact your funding provider to verify the expense is covered.

**Additional Information**

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**Post 9/11 GI Bill—Chapter 33**

[http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch33\\_pamphlet.pdf](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch33_pamphlet.pdf)

**Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty—Chapter 30**

[http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch30\\_pamphlet.pdf](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch30_pamphlet.pdf)

**Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve—Chapter 1606**

[http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch1606\\_pamphlet.pdf](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch1606_pamphlet.pdf)

**Montgomery GI Bill—Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP)—Chapter 1607**

<https://veterans.georgia.gov/chapter-1607-montgomery-gi-bill>

**Vocational Rehabilitation (VR&E)—Chapter 31**

[http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/eligibility\\_and\\_entitlement.asp](http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/eligibility_and_entitlement.asp)

**Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA)—Chapter 35**

[http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch35\\_pamphlet\\_2.pdf](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch35_pamphlet_2.pdf)

**Active Duty Tuition Assistance—Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines**

Individuals may qualify for Tuition Assistance (TA) while on Active Duty.

- 100 percent of tuition and fees with the following exceptions:
  - \$250 per semester hour cap, \$166 per quarter hour cap, Annual ceiling of \$4,500.

**Active Duty Tuition Assistance—Coast Guard**

Individuals may qualify for Tuition Assistance (TA) while on Active Duty.

- 75 percent of tuition and lab fees ONLY with the following exceptions:
  - \$187.50 per semester hour cap, \$125 per quarter hour cap, Annual ceiling of \$3,375

<http://www.military.com/education/money-for-school/tuition-assistance-ta-program-overview.html>

**Contacts**

VA Education Benefits: 888-GIBILL-1 (888-442-4551) between 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Central Time, Monday-Friday.

From Overseas: 001-918-781-5678 between 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Central Time, Monday-Friday.

[https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/172](https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/172)

[http://benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/resources/benefits\\_resources/rate\\_tables.asp](http://benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.asp)

[https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/523](https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/523)

[https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/1434](https://gibill.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/1434)

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