Air University Associate to Baccalaureate Cooperative Program

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Air University Associate to Baccalaureate Cooperative (AU-ABC) program?
– The AU-ABC program links CCAF AAS students and graduates to on-line accredited civilian academic institutions that offer baccalaureate level educational opportunities to Air Force enlisted personnel

Why was the AU-ABC program created?
– To offer baccalaureate degree opportunities to CCAF students and graduates that maximize military credit application

Do I need to visit my base Education & Training Services Office to enroll?
– The Education & Training Services Office is your first contact for any AU-ABC questions or information
– AU-ABC information can be accessed via the Air Force Portal/Air Force Virtual Education Center (AFVEC)

How do I enroll in AU-ABC?
– First, students search for an AU-ABC school that meets their needs and preferences on the AFVEC
– Then students must contact their school of choice to fill out appropriate application/paperwork

How do I apply for Air Force Tuition Assistance (AF TA)?
– Visit your Education & Training Services Office and/or on AFVEC Resources for more AF TA information

What are the differences between CAT I, CAT II, and CAT III AU-ABC Programs?
– AU-ABC CAT I Program - Program designed for Airmen with a Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) associate in applied science (AAS) degree. These CCAF graduates are guaranteed that no more than 60 SH of additional credit will be required to complete a baccalaureate degree
– AU-ABC CAT II Program - Program designed primarily for Airmen who are currently enrolled in a CCAF AAS degree program. Partnering institutions will identify prerequisite coursework (no more than three courses/nine SH) the CCAF student needs to complete as part of their CCAF General Education and Program Elective requirements. These courses would simultaneously fulfill both the CCAF AAS and AU-ABC degree requirements. Upon completion of his/her CCAF degree, the student would be guaranteed that no more than 60 SH of additional credit will be required to complete an AU-ABC baccalaureate degree; provided the student completed the specific prerequisite coursework
– AU-ABC CAT III Program - Program which requires CCAF AAS graduates to complete more than 60 SH of credit beyond the AAS but meet all other AU-ABC specifications. (Note: The degrees in this category must still link to one or more CCAF AAS programs and have exceptional value for the Air Force)

Who can participate in the AU ABC program?
– Airmen must be serving in the active duty Air Force, Air Force Reserves or Air National Guard. Degree requirements may be completed after a student retires or separates from the Air Force