



Program Categories

Institute of Higher Learning (IHL)

Universities, colleges, community colleges, technical and/or business schools, offering instruction at the post-secondary level, which leads to an associate (or higher) educational degree. To be eligible for approval, the institution must be empowered by the appropriate state education authority (under state law), or accredited by a recognized accrediting agency to grant such degrees. This designation also includes hospitals that offer educational programs at the post-secondary level.

Non-College Degree (NCD)

This category includes certificate programs, which do not lead to a standard college degree (program or course requirement achievements are acknowledged by certificate). NCD programs are normally offered at community colleges, cosmetology institutions, business institutions, hospitals, trade schools, etc. To be eligible for approval, institutions should be operating for at least two years.

Apprenticeship (APP) / On-the-Job Training (OJT)

This is an industry-based training in which a veteran or eligible person earns an entry-level wage while training for a designated skill or trade in a goal-oriented program. OJT and Apprenticeships offer a variety of training experiences. The majority of trades listed in the Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT) are approvable providing that the establishment can satisfy the approval criteria.

Flight (FLT)

Flight Training necessary for the attainment of a recognized vocational objective in the field of Aviation or an educational objective toward a standard college degree in the field of Aviation.

Certification / Licensing Examinations (LACAS)

Licensing or Certification demonstrates an individual's possession of the knowledge or skill required to enter into, maintain, or advance in employment in a predetermined and identified vocation or profession.