

Funding Guide

DANTES-funded DSST exams are available to eligible military service members and civilians who would like to earn college credit for experience they already have (please see who qualifies below). For added convenience, candidates have the flexibility to take an exam on base, at a local school or at a Prometric test center.

Here's How It Works: DANTES pays the fee for an eligible candidate's first attempt to pass an exam across a mix of subject categories. Please note that eligible candidates who do not pass an exam on their first attempt will be subject to a waiting period before retesting and are responsible for paying all retest and administration fees.

†† Who is Eligible?		What Fees Are Funded by DANTES?
Active Duty Military Air Force Army Marine Corps Navy Coast Guard (Active/Reserve) National Guard and Reserve	Civilian Employees and Spouses Coast Guard (Active/Reserve)	 For on-base and off-base test sites that are fully funded, DANTES covers both exam and administration fees. For off-base test sites that are not fully funded, DANTES covers only the exam fee.
DoD Civilian Employees Air Force (Excludes Contract Employees)		 For on-base and off-base test sites that are fully funded, DANTES covers both exam and administration fees. For international, on-base National Test Centers (NTCs), DANTES covers both exam and administration fees. For international test sites that are not fully funded, candidates are responsible for paying exam and administrative fees.
Dependents of Active Duty Military Active Duty Military Spouses Air Force Army Marine Corps Navy Inactive Guard or Reserve Coast Guard Auxiliary	Civilian Employees and Spouses Air National Guard Army National Guard Air Force Reserve* Army Reserve* Marine Corps and Navy Reserve	DANTES does not cover any fees.
Veterans		Veterans may be eligible for reimbursement of the exam and administration fees from the Veterans Administration. Visit www.gibill.va.gov/pamphlets/testing.html for more information.

^{*}As of October 1, 2017, no longer funded.

Two forms of ID are required to test. Candidates must bring a valid Geneva Conventions CAC http://www.cac.mil/common-access-card/ and a US Government or State-issued Photo ID to the test site on test day before they can test. For questions regarding eligibility for DANTES-funded testing, contact exams@navy.mil.

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