



COUNCIL OF COLLEGE AND MILITARY EDUCATORS

Serving the Military and Veteran Community

INSTITUTION MEMBER BENEFITS

ABOUT US

The Council of Colleges and Military Educators (CCME) is an active proponent for the professional development of those serving in the military education community by providing a forum for the exchange of information on educational programs, strategies and innovation among its members and associated partners.

CCME membership is composed of military educators, civilian educators, post secondary educational institutions, and suppliers of quality education products and services. CCME's mission is to promote and provide educational programs and services and to facilitate communication between the membership and the DoD educational support network.

Our History

In the early 70's, California formed the first association with the intent to share ideas and mutual experiences concerning the development and operation of military education programs between institutions of higher learning and the Armed Forces.

From this early beginning, California Community Colleges and Military Educators Association (CCCMEA) would meet annually and it was decided that institutions of higher learning providing educational opportunities for the military, both on and off base, would be invited to attend meetings. As its membership grew over a decade, CCCMEA evolved into the California Colleges and Military Educators Association (CCMEA) to better promote, encourage and deliver meaningful education within all branches of the armed services and to establish and maintain communication between military and civilian educators within the entire state. The first CCMEA conference took place in 1982 in San Diego. The members sought to study and seek solutions to educational problems and objectives confronting the colleges and military educators within the state.

As the need for military education evolved throughout the country, the association encouraged the development of intra-military educational programs within the Department of Defense (DoD) community. In 1994, the organization was renamed the Council of College and Military Educators (CCME) to more accurately reflect its national membership and its role with the military off-duty voluntary education program.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

On behalf of Council of Colleges and Military Educators (CCME) we thank you for your membership and support of our mission.

Members of the Council of College and Military Educators (CCME) belong to the largest international organization dedicated to promoting, encouraging, and delivering quality education to service members and their families in all branches of the United States Armed Forces. Each year, the CCME Professional Development Symposium generates the largest forum of its kind with an attendance of approximately 1,000 participants. The annual symposium fosters networking and interaction among key leadership across organizations in a collaborative environment focused on enhancing and optimizing voluntary education opportunities for servicemembers, veterans, and their families.

Your membership gives you access to representation from a wide audience:

- DoD/Military Educators - Chiefs of Voluntary Education, Education Services Officers, and Education Counselors
- Higher Education - Colleges and Universities that strive to successfully serve the military and veteran students
- U.S. Service Members - All branches of service
- Veterans Affairs - VA leadership, veterans organizations, and U.S. Veterans
- Government Officials - DoE, DoD, VA, elected officials, and more
- Corporations - Providers of educational materials and services

CCME continues this over 40 +year tradition by being the premier forum that brings all these dedicated and committed individuals together to experience best practices and resources for the service member and their families. We are requesting your involvement as a sponsor. Not only are you gaining the opportunities mentioned, but you are including your footprint with many others that support our efforts.

Thank you again for you continued support of CCME.

V/r

CCME Executive Board of Directors





OUR MISSION

To serve as a professional development platform that showcases educational and career opportunities for military-affiliated students.

OUR VISION

To facilitate meaningful dialogue that leads to relevant strategies, innovation, and collaboration to enhance student success.

OUR GUIDING VALUES

Commitment to Student Success

- Advocate for a positive military affiliated student academic experience
- Influence guidelines for innovative and relevant career pathways
- Provide a platform to disseminate new ideas, policies, and procedures

Collaboration and Effective Communication

- Reciprocate exchange of best practices and lessons learned
- Create space for open communication
- Access to Subject Matter Experts in military and veteran student education

Mutual Respect and Trust

- Provide an environment that stimulates meaningful and positive discussions
- Encourage sincerity and openness

Envisioned Student Success Outcomes

- Analyze data to measure results
- Propose topics and direction of future professional symposiums
- Promote educational partnerships that support student success



YOUR BENEFITS

A portion of your membership goes to the [CCME Scholarship Endowment Fund](#) dedicated to promoting education opportunities for qualified active duty Servicemembers, drilling reservists, National Guard members, and their spouses. Contributions to the fund are provided in two ways:

- A portion of CCME membership dues are deposited into the Scholarship Fund.
- Organizations and/or individuals, members, and non-members may choose to make a charitable donation to the Scholarship Fund at any time. Donations may be given in honor or in memory of an individual. Donors also have the option to honor an organization through their donation.

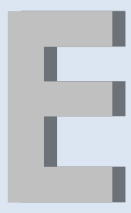
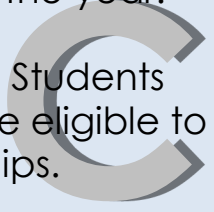
MEMBERSHIP COST

The CCME membership year runs from April 1 - March 31. Annual membership categories and rates are as follows:

- **\$60** - Individual
- **\$600 - Organization/Institution (Includes** Memberships for 15 individuals within the Organization/Institution)

CCME Membership Benefits include:

- **Generous Discounts** on Annual Symposium Registration and Exhibitors fees (\$600 Institutional/Organizational membership includes discounted registration for up to 15 attendees - a savings of \$750).
- **CCME newsletters** throughout the year.
- **Scholarships for your students.** Students from member-only institutions are eligible to receive annual CCME Scholarships.
- **Promote your institution!** A link from the CCME website to your organization's website (Institutional/Organizational memberships only).
- Contribute to and **receive current information** about military education policy and practices.
- Organization/Institution Members receive permission to use the **CCME member logo** on Organization's/Institution's and ACME Affiliate websites and literature.
- **Networking opportunities** with military education leadership and other government agencies.
- **CCME webinar invites** on hot topics in military and veteran education and employment initiatives.
- For institutions—your **students can attend CCME Symposiums for FREE!**





CCME provides these resources to help you notify your students of the benefits of your CCME membership

- STUDENTS OF CCME MEMBER INSTITUTIONS ATTEND THE ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM FOR FREE!
- CCME encourages the attendance of military and veteran affiliated students at our annual Professional Development Symposiums. Students can benefit by attending to learn about new programs and services available to them and how the Department of Defense, Military Services, Veterans Affairs and other organizations work together with academic institutions to provide educational and career opportunities to them.
- Notify your students of this great opportunity through email or social media by tailoring the message below:
- “As a member of the Council of College and Military Educators (CCME) our students can attend the Professional Development Symposium for FREE! CCME will host it’s Annual Symposium in Aurora, Colorado, January 29, 2024—February 1, 2024. Visit the CCME website for more information and to **REGISTRATION WILL OPEN IN SEPTEMBER 2023**—Select “Student” under employment category and then enter the promo code “CCMESTUDENT” to waive your registration fee.”

EXCITING NEWS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS YEAR 2023-2024!

Spread the word to your students about their eligibility for CCME Scholarships! Tailor this message for email or social media:

“The Council of College and Military Educators (CCME) is pleased to offer 25, \$1,000 cash scholarships to United States Service members (active duty/veterans) and spouses and dependent children of Service members who are working toward the completion of higher education degrees. Apply online each year during the month of September at [ccmeonline.org/scholarships](https://www.ccmeonline.org/scholarships).”