



San Diego Community College District

City College · Mesa College · Miramar College · College of Continuing Education

Date: July 30, 2025

To: Student Services, Instruction

From: Susan Topham
Vice Chancellor, Educational Services

Subject: Credit for Prior Learning: Military Credit

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce a new opportunity for U.S. veteran and active-duty military students to receive college credit for the skills, knowledge, and experience gained during their military service.

Effective August 1, 2025, eligible students may be awarded the following credits:

- 1 unit of Exercise Science Activity credit posted on their transcript:
 - EXSC 140A (0.5 units)
 - EXSC 140B (0.5 units)
- 3 units of Health Education credit to satisfy the Health Education graduation requirement

To receive credit, students must submit their Joint Services Transcript (JST) or Air Force University/Community College of the Air Force (AU/CCAF) transcript to the District Office through one of the following methods:

1. **Veteran students using GI Bill benefits** may authorize the release of their JST when submitting paperwork to their campus Veterans Affairs/Services Office.
2. **Veteran or active-duty students** not using GI Bill benefits may submit their JST by completing the JIRA request form:

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Please note:

Colleges will no longer be required to submit copies of the DD-214; the District will only accept JSTs as of August 1st. Students who provide consent will be flagged with an A49 service indicator. Additionally, Etrieve users will see a new JST key field with one of the following statuses:

- **Received:** JST has been received.
- **CPL Pending:** Health Education credit posted; awaiting Exercise Science CPL
- **Completed:** Both CPL and Health Education credits have been posted
- **Ineligible for Credit:** Student does not meet the requirement for CPL
- **CPL Declined:** Student declined the EXSC CPL

Students who decline the Exercise Science CPL will still receive the Health Education credit toward graduation in accordance with current policy.

Please be aware that EXSC 140A and 140B are only offered at Mesa and Miramar Colleges. City College students will have these credits posted evenly between Mesa and Miramar.

The District will be building the EXSC 140A and 140B classes each semester and will be closed to enrollment. These classes will not appear on the online class schedule.

If you have any questions related to this process, please contact Dean Shelly Hess, shess@sdccd.edu, and Dean Victor DeVore, vdevore@sdccd.edu.

Thank you for your continued support in serving our veteran and active-duty students.