

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

Each summer AFROTC offers Professional Development Training (PDT) to cadets in the AFROTC program. This training is conducted all over the world. You may be asking what is a PDT, well Professional Development Training is a group of summer training programs designed to: Help cadets gain knowledge of the management challenges in leadership and human relations encountered by a junior Air Force officer, Provide a general orientation in Air Force specialties, and Motivate cadets toward an Air Force career

Requirements:

- Be a US citizen
- Meet military/academic retentions at nomination
- Be returning to school in the fall (for at least one term)
- Not be attending Field Training
- Not be an AECP student
- Not be a special student (as defined by AFROTCI-36-2011)
- Not have participated in the same PDT in the past

Below are some of the programs offered, please understand that not all of these programs will be offered each year. It is all based on funding.

**Air Force Academy Freefall (AFAFF):** Objective: Build character, develop leadership skills and self-confidence. Training is physically and mentally demanding, Daily physical fitness training. Ground school, 5 Freefall jumps from 4500 feet, All jumps are graded, After 2 jumps cadets will be evaluated for program continuance. Parachutist Badge awarded after 5 successful jumps. 1 Cadet per Detachment, Length is 12 Days at the USAFA in Colorado

**Soaring (SOAR):** Objective: Provide cadets an initial exposure to flying and to AF flying operations, Cadets receive instruction through: Ground school, Actual flight in non-powered gliders, Maximum allowable weight: 230 pounds

**Space Orientation (SO):** Objective: Orient cadets to the fundamentals of Space Power Applications, Capabilities and Employment. Explore current AF Space mission areas, Includes hands-on experience with selected operational space capabilities as well as class room instruction, Successful completion authorizes wear of the Basic Cadet Space Badge.

**International Immersion Program (IIP):** Objective: The Institute of International Education (IIE) awards grants to universities to establish language and cultural immersion programs. Universities that receive the grant run their programs as their own.

**Operation Air Force (OPS-AF):** Objective: Expose cadets to the Air Force way of life, Shadow members of the Air Force in various career fields, Acquaint cadets with various career opportunities, You may also receive an orientation flight on an Air Force aircraft (although not guaranteed).

**Operations Air Force OSI (OPS-AF OSI):** Objective: To shadow an OSI officer and make every attempt to accomplish your career field interview (necessary for entrance into OSI). Designed for cadets interested in the Office of Special Investigation (OSI) career field, Secret clearance required.

**Cadet Combatives Course (CCC):** Objective: Educate, train and produce an officer of character with a warrior ethos and expeditionary mindset who is culturally aware, motivated professional dedicated to serve the nation and prepared to lead Airmen in the 21st century. Complete 40-hr, Modern Army Combatives Course, Individualized training of hand-to-hand combat, Conduct squad-level, force-on-force scenarios.

**Cadet Cultural Immersion Program (CCIP):** Objective: Enhance cross-cultural skills by exposing cadets to different cultures and language. Specific Program Requirements: Passport (and possible visa) required upon selection.

**Cadet Summer Language Immersion Program (CSLIP):** Language Requirement: two full years of college-level studies in the specific foreign language. Program Length: approx 4 weeks, Training Dates: TBD, Training Location: Various overseas locations (formerly Arabic, Chinese, Japanese and Russian).

**Field Engineering Readiness Lab (FERL):** Objective: Introduce civil engineering majors to Air Force civil engineering. Course is presented in three blocks: Surveying, Computer applications, Construction materials. Must be in the Civil Engineering Degree path.

**Global Engagement (GE):** Objectives – Provide cadets the fundamentals of contingency operations. AEF Bare-Base concept; deployment, employment and re-deployment, Expose cadets to support career fields; SF, CE and Services, Professional interface between cadets and career officers, NCO's and airmen.

**Nurse Orientation Program (NOP):** Objective: To provide a nursing internship in an AF hospital. Cadets receive hands-on training in a variety of nursing disciplines.

**Advanced Course in Engineering (ACE):** Objective: Develop future officers for the next-generation of cyber officers through education, problem solving, military internship, and physical conditioning (to include weekly 8-mile runs).