

# 8 Ways To Fund Your Training



## Review your options and realize your opportunities.

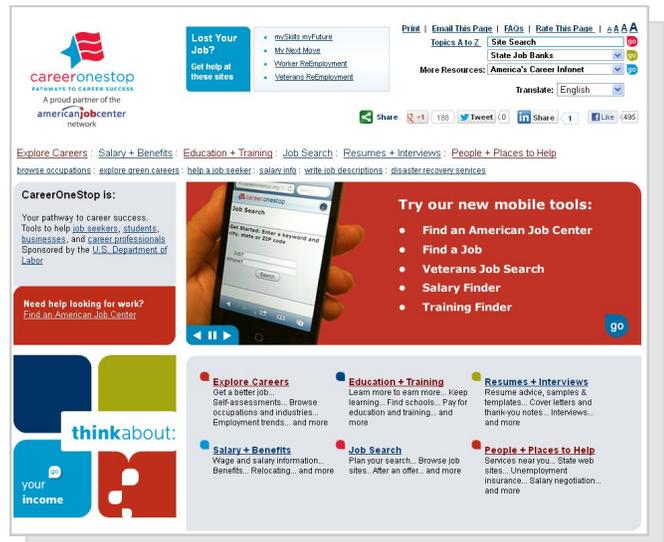
Studies consistently show that education and specialized skills translate into higher salaries, increased job security, and career flexibility. Whether you're looking to safeguard your career, seeking a promotion, or wanting to break into the payroll field, education from a respected source like APA can open a variety of doors, regardless of the economic climate.

APA wants to help you find ways to make this important investment with these top ways to pay for training.

### 1 Take Advantage of Federal or State Training Dollars Available in Your State

Because of historically high unemployment rates, some states are dedicating dollars to help fund training so people can acquire new skills and get back to work.

If you are unemployed, **contact your local One-Stop Career Center or Workforce Center** for more information on how to access funds that could help pay for your training. **Go to this website:** [www.servicelocator.org/](http://www.servicelocator.org/).



### 2 Look into APA, KRONOS, and Global Cash Card Payroll grants

APA, KRONOS, and Global Cash Card award education grants every year. [Click here](http://www.americanpayroll.org/members/edgrant/) for more information or visit <http://www.americanpayroll.org/members/edgrant/>

### 3 Contact the Financial Aid Office

The financial aid office at the school, university or institution where you are interested in training may have specific programs that meet your needs and can help cover training costs.

### 4 Tap into Tuition Reimbursement

If you are ready to secure your future through training, your employer can help. If your company offers tuition reimbursement, you can expand your payroll knowledge, skills, and credentials at no cost to you!



APA has partnered with accredited colleges and universities across the country to offer live, instructor-led courses that qualify for most tuition reimbursement programs. Enroll in a course near you and tap into the pool of tuition reimbursement funds available at your company.

Goals are accomplished one step at a time.  
Take the first step and visit <http://www.americanpayroll.org/course-conf/>.



## 5 Investigate Student Loan Options

Sallie Mae® offers loans for professional development training as well as information on other funding possibilities. Click on these links for more information on:

- For [Career training loans](#) or visit [www.salliemae.com/get\\_student\\_loan/](http://www.salliemae.com/get_student_loan/) and click on “Career Training Smart Option Student Loan”.
- [A list of other ways](#) to pay for continuing your education or visit <https://www.salliemae.com/student-loans/>



## 6 Corporate Training Budgets at Your Company

Many companies have budgets set aside for corporate training programs that are different from tuition reimbursement funds. Corporate training budgets may be available to cover your training depending on who manages this budget at your company and how much of it is currently being used.

## 7 For the Military

- For veterans, their spouses, and dependents check into the GI Bill. [Click here](#) for more information. Or visit [www.gibill.va.gov/](http://www.gibill.va.gov/).
- For active duty military, look into DANTES. [Click here](#) or visit [www.dantes.doded.mil/Dantes\\_web/DANTESHOME.asp](http://www.dantes.doded.mil/Dantes_web/DANTESHOME.asp).



## 8 Tax Credits or Deductions for Education

Your education or training may be eligible for tax credits or deductions. In some cases, you don't need to be pursuing a degree or other recognized education credential.

[Click here](#) for more information or visit <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Tax-Benefits-for-Education:-Information-Center>

**APA is committed to helping you secure your future.**

APA education materials are a proven way to prepare for the FPC and CPP exam as well as stay up-to-date on payroll practices and regulations, improving effectiveness and productivity. APA's educational programs can help you gain the knowledge and skills needed to respond to the job challenges you face today and in the future.

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