



## Course Develops Pre-Separation Counseling Skills of Career Counselors

The Pre-Separation Counselor Training Course recently announced class dates for the 2009-2010 season.

The course provides training and policy updates for Navy Counselors and Navy Career Counselors, raising the quality of counseling they provide to Sailors and Navy families preparing for their transition to civilian life. The Pre-Separation Counselor Training Course provides an understanding of the law, DoD guidance, and timelines as related to pre-separation counseling.

Pre-separation counseling is the Navy's opportunity to discuss the many work and family life issues Sailors and Navy families ought to consider before departing active duty. During the counseling, Sailors and family members will go through a pre-separation counseling checklist with a Navy Counselor or a Navy Career Counselor and consider various sources of information and referral available, including the work and family life programs of the Fleet and Family Support Program.



Class dates are as follows:

Sept. 28 - Oct. 2, 2009	Dec. 7 - Dec. 11, 2009	March 15 - March 19, 2010
Oct. 19 - Oct. 23, 2009	Jan. 25 - Jan. 29, 2010	April 12 - April 16, 2010
Nov. 16 - Nov. 20, 2009	Feb. 22 - Feb. 26, 2010	May 17 - May 21, 2010

Attendance is limited to active duty Navy counselors and/or personnel holding NEC-9588, in the pay grade of E6 – E9, who have at least one year remaining on their present tour and currently performing primary duties as a command career counselor. Reserve component Navy counselors and/or personnel holding NEC-9588 at locations with large concentration of FTS personnel are also eligible. Requests to attend need to be in the hands of course administrators 60 days prior to the start of a course.

The course is held at the National Veteran Training Institute, in Denver. The National Learning Center staff will coordinate all CONUS travel and lodging requirements. Ground transportation from Denver International Airport to hotel facility is provided; rental car is not authorized. No travel orders will be issued by Commander, Navy Installations Command.

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