Air Commando Field-Skills Course

BACKGROUND: AFSOC requires aircrew to complete Air Commando Development Course comprised of three phases; Air Commando Indoctrination (ACI), Combat Mission Ready (CMR), and Advanced Tactical Training (ATT). ACI will be completed prior to in-processing the gaining operational unit. ACI includes: Introduction to Special Operations Command (ISOC), Air Commando Field Skills Course (ACFC) and Intercultural Competencies Basic Course (ICBC). Beginning 1 Feb 2016, aircrew (excluding remote piloted aircraft) completing graduate flight training for the first time (pipeline) are required to complete ACFC prior to attending initial/mission qualification flight training.

1. MISSION – The Air Commando Field Skills Course’s goal is to develop “Battle Ready” Airmen capable of deploying in direct support of SOF operations throughout the world. The ACFC program prepares students for difficult and potentially dangerous support missions in austere environments.

2. COURSE BREAKDOWN – ACFC is conducted in-residence at the 371 Special Operations Combat Training Squadron (SOCTS), Hurlburt Field, FL. There are five modules of instruction designed to prepare students for possible combat situations which may occur in a deployed environment setting. Each module is structured to be inter-related with each other in order to provide the essential building blocks for student success.

Module 1: Demonstrate/participate in advanced weapons tactics, techniques, and procedures. This module is designed to enable Air Force Special Operations personnel to become extremely proficient with their assigned pistol and/or rifle during both day and night operations.

Module 2: Demonstrate/participate preventing loss of life by identifying and treating the top three preventable causes of death on the battlefield; stopping bleeding, treating chest injuries/pneumothorax, and maintaining a patent airway.

Module 3: Demonstrate mitigation techniques to avoid/minimize hostile acts both on and around Special Operations aircraft and aircrew while conducting Special Operations mission activities in isolated areas. Demonstrate de-escalation techniques, identifying verbal/nonverbal human behavior indicators to identify potential attackers, perform lethal and less-than-lethal use of force during insider threat scenarios.

Module 4: Demonstrate/participate in knowledge of the motivation, organization, techniques, operational capabilities, and threat posed by terrorist groups/criminal threats in Tactical Force Protection scenarios. Perform vulnerability assessments, site surveys, surveillance detection/attack recognition, route analysis, checkpoints, vehicle bomb searches, terrorist incident response/reporting, use of force and legal consideration in support of AT/FP activities.
Module 5: Demonstrate/participate in advanced vehicle operations, properly select and inspect civilian vehicles for tactical operations; demonstrate application of professional dynamic driving skills.

TRAINING ACFC STUDENTS IN-PROCESSING REQUIREMENTS FOR DOT 1 (ACTIVE DUTY/RESERVE)

- The following documents are required from each student on the first day of actual training in the ACFC program:
  - Civilian Driver's License (must remain valid through the training).
  - Government Travel Card (must remain valid through the training)

Students should notify quota control via e-mail; AFSOC.A3TR.PFT.org@us.af.mil if in-processing requirements cannot be met.