Advanced Programs Travel Guide
For Students
Fort Sill, Oklahoma

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**Post Access Requirements for Fort Sill**
Gate access is controlled. A current photo valid I.D. is required and it is best to have vehicle registration and insurance documentation, as well. A vehicle search may be conducted when you enter post. Please allow extra time for the vehicle search process. **Please note:** If you are driving a 2-wheeled vehicle, you are required to wear reflective gear.
Class Information

Classroom location:
Harry S. Truman Army Ed. Center
3281 NW Koehler Loop
Fort Sill, Oklahoma

Class Schedule:
Friday -5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Classroom environment:
1) Most classrooms are equipped with desktop computers with internet for students’ use.
2) There is no wireless internet access in the building.
3) The temperature is controlled centrally on post and the building has no control over this. Please dress in layers.
4) Food and drink are not allowed in the Education Center classrooms. Bottled drinks are an exception.
5) Vending machines are located in the Education Center and various on-post fast food restaurants are available to military and non-military.
6) Local office supply stores are located on Sheridan Road and have copy and print facilities

Restaurants on Fort Sill:
- The Impact Zone (across the parking lot from the Education Center)
- Burger King (corner Sheridan Road and Currie Road)
- Food Court in the PX (Macomb Road and Craig Road)
- Pizza Hut inside the Sheridan Shoppette (corner Sheridan Road and Mow-way Road)
  * All are accessible by non-military personnel

Driving Directions to the Harry S. Truman Education Center:

Driving South on I-44 West:
- Take Exit 41 (Fort Sill/Key Gate) and turn toward the west gate
- After clearing the gate, follow Sheridan Road through 6 traffic lights.
- After the 6th traffic light, turn right into the parking lot for the Sheridan Theater and Impact Zone on the right

Driving North on I-44 East:
- Take Exit 40A (Hwy 62-Cache/Altus)
- Turn left (or west) at the traffic light on to Rogers Lane
- Take the Sheridan Road northbound exit
- After clearing the gate, turn left on Wilson St after the 1st traffic light.
- Turn right on Koehler Loop and the Ed Center is on your right

Additional Information about the Fort Sill/Lawton Area
About Lawton:  http://lawtonfortsillchamber.com or http://www.travelok.com/lawton_fort_sill
Central Mall:  http://www.centralmalllawton.com
Lodging:

Fort Sill Lodging:
Aultman Hall (Lodging Headquarters): (580) 442-5000
*Military Service members and families only

Local Lodging:
Best Western: (580) 353-0200
Holiday Inn Express & Suites: (580) 248-4446
Fairfield Inn & Suites: (580) 248-5500
Springhill Suites: (580) 248-8500

Fort Sill Trivia:
Fort Sill is composed of about 94,000 acres or 145 square miles of mountains, rolling hills, and prairie. It has 287 miles of paved roads and 117 miles of unimproved roads. The military population is about 16,000; the civilian population on post totals 6,200. Within 100 miles of Fort Sill, there are about 10,000 retirees. Family members total about 36,000.

Fort Sill’s mission is to train artillery soldiers and train them well. To do that, they are trained day and night to put “steel on target.”

Fort Sill’s three-pronged approach to training and preparedness makes it one of the best training posts in the Army. It is comprised of the Field Artillery School, the primary training facility for field artillery soldiers and Marines worldwide; the Field Artillery Training Center, home of basic combat, one-station unit training and advanced individual training; and III Corps Artillery, the largest field artillery complex in the world.

The Field Artillery Training Command is the controlling headquarters for the Field Artillery School, the Field Artillery Training Center, and the Fort Sill Non-Commissioned Officer Academy. Each of these organizations has the mission of training artillery soldiers of all ranks to fill positions in U.S. and allied artillery units worldwide.

Each year, the Field Artillery Training Center trains of 17,000 young civilians to be capable, confident soldiers. The Non-Commissioned Officer Academy conducts three courses that develop and refine the professional attributes of artillery noncommissioned officers. More than 1,950 noncommissioned officers are trained annually.

The Field Artillery Half Section is the Army’s only horse-drawn artillery unit and is proof – at least at Fort Sill – that the caissons are still rolling along. The Field Artillery Half Section stands out as one of the Army’s most unique units. It is an authentic replica of horse-drawn artillery used by the military in the 1920s and is officially recognized as one of only four Army special ceremonial units. The unit gets its name because it is “half” of the full section of horse-drawn artillery that thundered across yesterday’s battlefields.

The Half Section is much in demand. It has been to three Inaugural Parades – in 1973 for President Richard Nixon, in 1985 for President Ronald Regan’s parade, and in 1989 for President George Bush.