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Offered by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), this course is hosted by Veterans Business Outreach Centers and SBA District Offices nationwide and is specific to military spouses.



**Military Spouses** 

- 1. Visit sba.my.site.com/s/milspouse to view a list of upcoming Pathway to Business courses in your area.
- 2. Create a Community Profile.
- **3.** Sign up for your desired course using your online account.





Military spouses make great entrepreneurs and small business ownership can be a transportable, flexible vocation that supports the military lifestyle. Explore the world of entrepreneurship with Military Spouse Pathway to Business, SBA's business training program for military spouses offered at no cost.

## **Beginning Your Journey**

#### "Pathway to Business" Course

**What is it?** The Military Spouse Pathway to Business program is an in-person or virtual course that introduces military spouses to the key elements of entrepreneurship. The course offers military spouses a dedicated curriculum, peer group, and schedule suited to their needs.

What will I learn? Military spouses will learn the foundational knowledge required to develop a business plan and to evaluate business concepts. Topics include additional resources available to military spouses for accessing start-up capital, receiving technical assistance, earning contracting opportunities, and more.

Introduction to Business Ownership	Basics of Opportunity Recognition	Market Research	Economics of Small Business Startup
Legal	Financing	Introduction to Business Planning	Resources to
Considerations	Your Business		Support You

# **Continuing Your Journey**

### **Optional Courses and Follow-on Support**

After completing Pathway to Business, military spouses can further their education through optional online courses such as Revenue Readiness and the SBA Learning Center or connect with SBA's Entrepreneurship Training Programs.

Military spouses are encouraged to take advantage of the many resources and services offered by the SBA and its partner network including Veterans Business Outreach Centers, Women's Business Centers, Small Business Development Centers, and SCORE.

To find help, visit: **sba.gov/local-assistance**.

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