Fort Benning, Georgia Travel Guide

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Post Access Requirements for Fort Benning
Gate access is controlled. A current valid photo ID is required and is it best to have vehicle registration and insurance documentation in the vehicle, 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 may be required to wear reflective gear.

Visitors may go to the Visitors Control Center, located to the left of the entrance to Fort Benning at the I-185 gate to receive a background check and 3-day Visitor Pass. This is a quick process, usually takes less than 5 minutes!

Classroom location:
Education Center inside the Soldier for Life Center, Building 9230
8150 Marne Road
Fort Benning, GA 31905

Class Schedule:
Monday – Friday: 6:00pm – 9:30pm
Saturday – 8:00am – 4:30pm
Sunday – 8:00am – 12:00pm
Driving Directions:

Directions from Atlanta Airport Domestic Terminal to Fort Benning Front Gate:
Start out going east on N Terminal Pkwy (0.05mi). Keep left at the fork to continue on N Terminal Pkwy (0.7mi). Stay straight to go onto ramp (0.2mi). Merge onto Airport Blvd (0.7mi). Stay straight to go onto I-85 S / GA-403 S (51.1mi). Merge onto I-185 S / GA-411 S via EXIT 21 toward Columbus (50.3mi). Stay on I-185 S and drive through the Fort Benning Monument, and you will head towards the main gate. You will see the Visitors Center on your left.

Directions from Columbus Airport to Fort Benning Front Gate:
Get on I-185 S from Airport Thruway towards Fort Benning. Follow I-185 S, drive through the Fort Benning Monument, and you will head towards the main gate. You will see the Visitors Control Center on your left.

Directions to the Classroom:
Go straight from the main gate; turn right on the third exit (Soldier for Life Center/ Mall/ Marne Road) and turn immediately right after the ramp. Go over the light and make a right at the next traffic light. Turn into the parking lot on the right; the building in front of you is the Soldier for Life Center with the Army Education Center located inside.

I recommend downloading the GuideOn Military app. This app is specific to Fort Benning! In this app, just enter the building number and it will take you anywhere on Fort Benning.

Map of Fort Benning:

If you enter through the Hwy 185 gate, take the Marne Rd exit and make a right turn onto Marne Rd, at second (2d) light make right into the Old Mall Complex, there you will see bldg 9230 directly in front of you.
Map Showing Classroom Location:

Lodging:

Fort Benning: IHG Army Hotels Abrams Hall (on post)
Address: Building 1670, 7350 Ingersoll Road, Fort Benning, GA 31905, United States
Phone: (706) 689-0067
$66.75/night for a studio room with queen bed and kitchenette if traveling on business. (ask for GOVT rate)

Columbus, GA, Homewood Suites: Exit 10 (off-post, about 10-12 minutes to main gate)
Address: 6614 Whittlesey Blvd, Columbus, Georgia, 31909
Phone: 706-568-3545

In Case of Emergency
If you are unable to reach the Site Director, contact the Education Center Services Officer, Shannon Gardner at (706) 545-3093.

About Fort Benning, GA:
- Fort Benning on Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fort_Benning

About Columbus, GA:
- Visit Columbus, GA: http://visitcolumbusga.com
- Trip Advisor, Columbus, GA: http://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g34859-Columbus_Georgia-Vacations.html