



## Military Scholarship opportunities (ROTC)

Reserve Officers' Training Corps - candidates must be selected

### What costs are covered?

- 100% tuition and authorized fees at any institution with AFROTC detachment\*
- Monthly stipend of \$300 and annual book stipend of \$900\*
- Travel to the AFROTC detachment college is reimbursed\*

*\*Scholarship stipends, tuition and fee payments are not covered until sophomore year*

### What's required for consideration?

- Must currently be a U. S. citizen or obtain citizenship by the last day of the first term of their freshman year
- Must pass the DoDMERB medical exam (Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board)
- Achieve a composite ACT score of 26 or SAT of 1240. Superscores are not accepted
- Unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Complete Physical Fitness Assessment and pass Physical Fitness Test prior to the end of your first college semester

### Requirements while in college

- Enroll in the academic major for which the scholarship is offered
- Enroll in Air Force ROTC beginning with the upcoming fall term
- Complete a 13-day summer field training course at Maxwell AFB, Alabama, between sophomore & junior years
- Complete Air Force ROTC General Military Course (GMC) your freshman and sophomore years and the Professional Officer Course (POC) your junior and senior years

### Post college commitment

- Accept a commission as an Air Force or Space Force officer and serve at least four years on active duty

## [High School Scholarship Application Process](#)

### [Interested in more information?](#)

**What is the Space Force and what do they do?** The **United States Space Force (USSF)** is the space service branch of the United States Armed Forces and is a Department of the Air Force. The Space Force is the smallest U.S. armed service, consisting of 8,600 military personnel. It operates 77 spacecraft in total across various programs such as GPS, Space Fence, military satellite communications constellations, X-37B spaceplanes, U.S. missile warning system, U.S. space surveillance network, and the Satellite Control Network.

### [More information?](#)



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### How are scholarships awarded?

Army ROTC scholarships are awarded in two different ways: Students can compete nationally for a scholarship during their senior year of high school or they can join ROTC once they get to college and compete for a scholarship at the campus level. At the national level, about 12,000 high school seniors compete for about 2,000 Army ROTC scholarships. About half of those are three-year scholarships, and the other half are four-year scholarships. The application process opens annually for those who just completed their junior year of high school.

### What costs are covered?

- Either tuition and fees, or room and board
- Monthly stipend of \$420 and annual book stipend of \$1,200
- Scholarships can be applied to any of the more than 1,000 participating schools
- Your achievements and grades determine if you'll be awarded a scholarship, not your financial need

### What's required for consideration?

- Apply for the scholarship through your chosen college after your Junior year of high school at [my.goarmy.com](http://my.goarmy.com)
- The Army requires an ASVAB score of 31 to enlist. Incentives like enlistment bonuses might require an ASVAB score of at least 50
- Candidate must be a US Citizen by the time he/she commissions
- [Candidate must meet height and weight requirement](#)

### Requirements while in college

In college, Army ROTC classes normally involve one elective class and one lab per semester, along with the required physical training and field training exercises. Although the classes involve hands-on fieldwork as well as classroom work, they are standard college classes that fit into a normal academic schedule.

***Earning a Bachelor's degree allows you to graduate as an Army Officer.***

## **Interested in attending one of the 5 Military Academies?**

**(West Point, Air Force Academy, Naval Academy, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine)**

Earning a military academy appointment means 100% of college cost is covered (with a post-graduation military commitment). The application/selection process is a highly rigorous endeavor. Meeting the application criteria does not guarantee admission, it merely makes you a qualified candidate. If your student has an interest in pursuing a military academy appointment, we encourage you to begin today by visiting the academy website for additional details.

### **What is the acceptance rate at a military academy?**

Acceptance rates range from 12-29%

### **What skills/traits do the academies look for?**

Academics (4 years of English, Math and Science and 2 years of foreign language), fitness and leadership

### **When should my student begin the application process?**

With some variation, most academies encourage applicants to begin the process in early spring of their Junior year.

### **What is the average ACT score of accepted students?**

The average score varies based on academy but many expect a minimum of 30. The academy website will have the most up to date information.

### **Are there additional requirements to be considered?**

A congressional/senatorial nomination is required, depending on the academy you are pursuing. A face-to-face interview with the service academy board, comprised of military dignitaries and community leaders is also required.

### **What is the military commitment post-graduation?**

In most cases, graduates are required to serve on active duty in the U.S. military for at least five years after graduation. Longer service commitments are required for those who end up in certain jobs, such as pilots. West Point and Air Force Academy grads must also serve an additional three years in the reserves. Merchant Marine Academy grads are committed to either five years of active-duty military service, or five years in the maritime industry and eight years in the reserves.

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