

# Airman Scholarship & Commissioning Program (ASCP)



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## OVERVIEW

The Air Force ROTC (AFROTC) Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program (ASCP) offers active duty Air Force enlisted personnel the opportunity to earn a commission while completing requirements for their degree. AFROTC awards scholarships valued at up to \$15,000 per academic year. All Air Force ROTC scholarship recipients and/or contracted cadets<sup>\*</sup> receive a nontaxable monthly stipend ranging from \$300 - \$500 and an annual textbook allowance of \$900.

In addition, eligible cadets may use their Montgomery GI Bill benefits. Scholarships are available from two to four years in length to qualified candidates in technical and non-technical degrees. The length of the scholarship is based on the remainder of time needed to finish degree work as a full-time student, but the airman must have at least two years remaining in college.

## QUALIFICATIONS

To qualify, an applicant must:

- Be a United States citizen
- Have one year time in service (waiverable)
- Have one year time on station (waiverable)
- Be recommended by immediate commander
- Have at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average (GPA) for graded college coursework (does not include DANTES, CLEP, or CCAF). If the member has less than 24 semester or 36 quarter hours of graded college coursework, then the student must have qualifying SAT/ACT scores: SAT: COMBINED (Critical Reading and Math) – 1100; ACT: COMPOSITE – 24
- Be under age 31 on 31 December of the commissioning year to receive a scholarship
- Be admitted to a school offering AFROTC and academic major of scholarship
- Pass the AFROTC Physical Fitness Test
- Be world-wide qualified<sup>†</sup>
- Have qualifying scores on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (waiverable)
- Have financial statements showing adequate financial resources to pay college living expenses and health care protection
- Not be selected for reassignment prior to submission of the application (waiver request are due 15 August)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contact your base education office and/or the Enlisted Commissioning Programs web site (<http://www.afots.af.mil/AFROTC/EnlistedComm/EnlistedCommissioning.asp>) for guidance on the application process. The application deadline for the ASCP is 15 October. Waivers are due to HQ AFROTC/RRUE by 15 September.

As a candidate, you should be aware that:

- All active duty pay and benefits cease upon program entry.
- All cadets are required to attend AFROTC field training.
- Cadets interested in pilot and/or navigator positions will compete for an allocation during their junior year of college
- AFROTC scholarships do not pay for room and board costs

If you are selected and remain fully qualified for enlistment into AFROTC, you will be released from active duty and enlisted into the Air Force Reserve Obligated Reserve Section no earlier than 30 days before classes start. After completing all AFROTC requirements, you will be commissioned as a second lieutenant and serve on active duty for a minimum of four years.

<sup>\*</sup> A contracted cadet is someone who has signed a contract with AFROTC. Non-scholarship cadets must be contracted to enter the AS300 level of AFROTC

<sup>†</sup> As determined by AF Form 422 accomplished by a military treatment facility (waivers are due 15 August)