

Graduate Law Program



CROSS INTO THE BLUE

OVERVIEW

The Graduate Law Program (GLP) is a two-year Air Force ROTC program for law students. Once selected for the GLP, students are eligible for a position as an Air Force Judge Advocate upon successful completion of the AFROTC program, graduation from an ABA-approved law school, completion of legal licensing requirements (including admission to practice before any state's highest court) and medical qualification.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must:

- Be attending an ABA-approved law school that is also an AFROTC host or cross-town school
- Be in good academic standing
- Meet AFROTC entry standards, such as U.S. citizenship, Air Force Officer Qualifying Test minimum scores and AFROTC fitness and medical standards
- Selectees must be under the age of 35 at time of commissioning

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE GLP

The application process is done in two parts:

- Students apply through the local AFROTC Detachment (where the applicant plans to receive training) at the beginning of the spring semester of their first year of law school.
- Students complete the application provided by HQ USAF/JAG (available at www.jagusaf.hq.af.mil) and schedule a hiring interview with the Staff Judge Advocate at a nearby Air Force Base. The deadline for completion of all application paperwork and the hiring interview is 1 February.

Selection for the GLP is on a best-qualified basis. Selection factors include academic performance, extracurricular activities, work experience, community service, military record (if any) and the recommendation in the report of interview. The best-qualified applicants are selected by The Judge Advocate General upon recommendation by a board of senior judge advocates. The selection board is convened in February each year, and applicants are notified of the results by letter.

Selectees attend a six-week field training at an Air Force base during the summer before either their second (preferred) or third year of law school. They complete the normal academic requirements for the AFROTC two-year program while attending their second and third year of law school.

COMMISSIONING AND SERVICE COMMITMENT

Graduates incur a four-year active duty service commitment. They begin active duty as first lieutenants and are eligible for promotion to captain on the day they complete six months of active duty.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Students are paid during summer field training and receive a monthly tax-free stipend between \$350 and \$400 each month of school during the last two years of their legal education.