

High School Seniors, Counselors, and Graduates



CROSS INTO THE BLUE

OVERVIEW

Air Force ROTC offers High School graduates 4- and 3-year scholarships.

- Type 1 – pays full college tuition, most fees and an annual textbook allowance[†]
- Type 2 – pays college tuition and most fees up to \$15,000 and an annual textbook allowance
- Type 7 – pays full college tuition, fees and an annual textbook allowance, but the student MUST attend a college/university where the tuition is less than \$9,000 per year, OR a public college / university in which the student qualifies for the in-state tuition rate.

All Air Force ROTC scholarship recipients and/or contracted cadets[†] receive a nontaxable monthly stipend ranging from \$300 - \$500 and an annual textbook allowance of \$900.

ACADEMIC MAJORS

Air Force ROTC scholarships are degree-specific. Students must major in the field in which they are awarded a scholarship. About 70% of all offers will be made in the technical areas listed below:

- Engineering—Aeronautical, Astronautical, Aerospace, Architectural, Civil, Computer, Electrical, Environmental, and Mechanical
- Scientific/Technical Fields – Architecture, Computer Science, Mathematics, Meteorology, Physics, and Chemistry

The remaining 30% of the offers will be made in all other fields, including: Business Administration/Management, Accounting, Biology, Economics, Geography, International Studies, Nursing, Political Science, Psychology, and Foreign Language/Area Studies.

* See AFROTC detachment for details

† 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

BASIC ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the scholarship interview, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Be a US citizen prior to scholarship activation
- Graduate from high school or have an equivalent certification
- Be 17 years of age before scholarship activation
- Be under age 31 on December 31st of the student's commissioning year
- Never have enrolled full-time at a college except for joint high school/college programs
- Cannot be a single parent (waiverable)
- Meet appropriate physical fitness standards
- College entrance examination—the student must take and receive the results of the ACT or SAT college entrance examination. The student may mark the AFROTC code 0548 to send the test results directly to AFROTC. The student must also send a duplicate of the test scores with their application. See your high school counselors or write directly to the testing agency for test dates. Note: AFROTC is currently only requiring scores from the critical reading and mathematics section of the SAT.

Academic performance is evaluated using an Academic Composite. This is a measure of academic performance based on a combination of SAT and/or ACT scores (no mixing allowed), Class Rank (CR), GPA, and the number of advanced placement or honors courses completed through grade 11. The following table provides information to indicate whether or not an applicant will be academically competitive for an AFROTC scholarship offer. If an applicant does not meet the minimum academic requirements noted, he or she could still apply if they have other outstanding leadership credentials that merit consideration by AFROTC for a scholarship.

Mid-Range
Applicant Scores[‡]
CR Top 25%
GPA 3.55
SAT 1150
ACT 25

Average Scores
of Recipients[§]
CR Top 13%
GPA 3.71
SAT^{*} 1239
ACT 27

ACADEMIC DEADLINES

The scholarship cycle begins early in May and continues through early December of the applicant's senior year^{**}. The application must be submitted on-line by 1 December. Support materials for the application, such as transcripts, ACT/SAT scores or recommendations, must be postmarked by mid January of the applicant's senior year. It is the responsibility of the applicant to track the status of their application to ensure all required support materials are received by HQ AFROTC prior to deadline.^{††} Once the student meets all academic and general requirements, he/she is considered an eligible applicant and will be contacted by an Air Force officer to schedule a personal interview. After the interview, the application is presented to a selection board for review. If the student does not receive a scholarship, he/she may apply again while in college for an AFROTC In-College Scholarship. All scholarships are contingent on medical certification, which is accomplished after scholarship offers are made.

‡ Avg. scores of the mid-half of AFROTC applicants

§ Avg. scores of all AFROTC scholarship recipients for 2007 (Normally to be eligible for scholarship consideration, the applicant should achieve an SAT of 1100 or ACT of 24, attain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and CR in top 40%)

** To apply, visit our web-site @ www.afrotc.com

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