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Syracuse University Air Force ROTC
Detachment 535

Military Guide



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Dear Military Education Offices, Personnel, and their Families,

First and foremost, thank you for your service to our country. Whether you are currently serving, have served, or are planning on serving, we appreciate your service. At Detachment 535 we want to build a relationship with you as you begin your college career. It is our goal to show you the opportunities available for college, scholarships, and for a potential career in the US Air Force. This guide will outline the following: what Air Force ROTC is, its components, scholarship opportunities, other commissioning sources, other Air Force opportunities, and contact information.

Next, it is important to understand what Air Force ROTC is. AFROTC is the primary commissioning source for the USAF. Students in the AFROTC program typically attend a 4-year college (such as Syracuse University or SUNY Oswego, etc.) to complete their bachelor's degree. Students are also able to start out attending select junior colleges (such as Onondaga Community College) but must transfer to a 4-year institution. What is unique about AFROTC is the ability for students to work on their bachelor's degree and enjoy a normal college experience in addition to taking on military training. Alongside regular classes, on a weekly basis, students attend a one-hour academic class and a two-hour Leadership Laboratory (LLAB). LLAB is the practical application of military and leadership skills. Freshmen and sophomores have a time commitment of about 5 hours per week with a focus on the fundamentals of the Air Force, customs and courtesies, history, and preparation for Field Training. Juniors and seniors have a time commitment of about 7 hours per week with a focus on preparation for active duty and leadership training.

Air Force ROTC provides a number of scholarship opportunities to its Cadets to help offset the cost of tuition and housing. There are a number of different types of scholarships available to you as you begin considering AFROTC. More detail on scholarships will be provided, some scholarships include: high school, in-college, ASCP, Professional Officer Course-Early Release Program (POC-ERP), and SOAR. With these opportunities, it is possible to cover anywhere from in-state tuition to a full-ride scholarship. For more information, I encourage you to visit our website: visit <http://www.afrotc.com/scholarships>.

Detachment 535 is hosted at Syracuse University but Cadets can attend one of the 12 crosstown schools within Central New York. This provides an opportunity for cadets to find what school or program works for them while pursuing their commission. I hope you will consider Air Force ROTC as you move forward. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call me at 315-443-2461 or email me at adkelly@syr.edu. Thank you for your time!

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Air Force ROTC Overview

Curriculum

As an AFROTC cadet, you may pursue any of the academic opportunities available at your school. Along with your other university courses, you enroll in two AFROTC courses per quarter (or semester) through the Department of Aerospace Studies. One of these courses is the academic portion of the curriculum, while the other is a Leadership Laboratory. Over 140 schools host aerospace studies departments, and over 1,000 additional schools have "cross-town" agreements for their students to attend AFROTC at the nearest host school. These courses, along with a one-time, three-week summer course, provides the framework for your officer training.

General Military Course: The first two years of the program, the General Military Course (GMC), requires one hour of classroom work, two hours of physical training, and two hours of leadership laboratory each week. These one-credit classes introduce you to how the Air Force is structured, what it means to be an officer, Air Force history, and military customs and courtesies. It presents a solid overview of military life without demanding excessive time during your adjustment to university life. You will also be taught many skills that will help you succeed in college and beyond -- time management skills, communication skills, and teammate skills. Additionally, unless you are a scholarship recipient, you do not incur a military commitment while in this course. Though the General Military Course is an outstanding opportunity to try out the Air Force at no obligation, it is also your opportunity to prove that you can be a leader in the Air Force. Everything you achieve during this time--your GPA, physical fitness, and performance as a Cadet--will be evaluated. Everything you demonstrate--your leadership, dedication, and commitment--will be assessed. By the end of your sophomore year, you will be ready to compete for entry into the next phase of the program: Leadership Evaluation and Development (LEAD).

Leadership Evaluation and Development (formerly known as Field Training): An intensive, three week program that evaluates your leadership potential during the summer after your sophomore year. This rigorous program offers you the opportunity to develop your skills as both a leader and team member. You will participate in aircraft and aircrew orientation, survival training, marksmanship (weapons training), physical fitness training, as well as group and expeditionary leadership activities. When you finish, you will be ready to return to your school and assume a position of leadership within your Cadet Wing.

Professional Officer Course: The final two years of the program, the Professional Officer Course (POC), requires three hours of classroom work, two hours of physical training, and two hours of Leadership Laboratory each week. These three-credit classes introduce you to situational leadership, management, military law, decision-making, and national defense policy. All students who enroll in the POC receive a monthly, non-taxable \$450-\$500 allowance, whether they are on scholarship or not.

Leadership Lab: In AFROTC, we do not only teach you about leadership, but we give you a chance to put learning into action. The weekly Leadership Laboratory is a Cadet-run activity, planned and carried out by POC Cadets. Activities include drill and ceremony instruction, physical fitness training, sports competition, and guest speaker presentations. Besides conducting Leadership Laboratories, you will help lead and manage the Cadet Wing to prepare yourself for your future responsibilities as a Second Lieutenant.

Optional Summer Programs (besides LEAD): You will also have the option to compete for many of the exciting optional summer training programs AFROTC offers. You can shadow a junior officer in a career field of your interest. You can attend the Air Force Academy's free-fall parachute, glider, or combat survival schools. You can return to LEAD as a Cadet Training Assistant, go to the Pentagon to see how the Air Force operates, or even to England under the Royal Air Force's British Exchange Program. Whichever activity you choose, the Air Force provides your transportation, meals, lodging, and a daily expense allowance.

Other Activities: Throughout the year, optional activities take place to help students learn more about the Air Force and have fun. These activities may include base visits, aircraft orientation rides, a Dining Out (a formal ball, rich in Air Force tradition), and many more. There are also opportunities to join organizations related to the Air Force such as Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings, to name a few, which will enhance your Cadet experience in AFROTC and will also help develop you professionally. Check with your school of interest to see what exciting activities they offer!

Qualifications

You don't need to be on scholarship to join Air Force ROTC. As long as you meet the requirements below, you can join AFROTC once you start college.

To enroll in the GMC, you must be:

- A full-time student at a participating school
- At least 14 years old (17 for scholarship recipients)
- In good physical condition
- Of good moral character

To enroll in the POC, you must also:

- Be a United States citizen
- Be at least 18 years old (17 with parental consent)
- Be physically qualified
- Have two academic years remaining
- Pass the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test
- Complete LEAD
- Have a 2.5 GPA or higher

Air Force ROTC Opportunities for Enlisted Personnel

Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program (ASCP):

ASCP offers active duty enlisted personnel the opportunity to earn a commission who can complete all bachelor degree and commissioning requirements in 2-4 years as an Air Force ROTC cadet. Those selected separate from the Active Duty Air Force, join an AFROTC detachment, and become a full-time college student. The Air Force provides them with a tuition/fees scholarship of up to \$18,000 per year, an annual textbook allowance, and a monthly nontaxable stipend. This scholarship will be awarded for 2 to 4 years, depending on how many years you have remaining in your bachelor's degree program. Upon graduation and completion of the program, you will be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and will then be returned to active duty with a military obligation of 4 years active and 4 years reserves.

Selection Process: A selection board is held once a year. The board utilizes the "whole person" concept to evaluate applicants. As part of the board process, applicants will be evaluated on their ability to put their package together in the proper format in accordance with the ECP Package Checklist and directions on this site. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the package is complete. While the board considers all documents in an application package, they typically focus on the applicant's academic performance, the Commander's recommendation, and the Airman's duty performance history to determine the applicant's eligibility. Airmen selected will receive instructions and be required to complete additional post selection actions. Once all actions have been completed they will be authorized to separate no earlier than 10 days prior to their class start date the following fall term.

Applications must be submitted NLT 15 October each year.

Requirements:

- Be a United States citizen.
- Meet the age requirements.
- IAW Title 10 U.S.C., Section 2107, *Financial Assistance Program for Specially Selected Members*, applicants who apply for ASCP must be under age 31 on December 31 of their graduation year to earn a commission (**NOT WAIVERABLE**).
- Have at least 1 year Time-In-Service (waiverable).
- Have at least 1 year Time-On-Station at board convening date (*Board is held in January*) (waiverable).
- Have served at least half of an overseas tour 1 month prior to class start date (waiverable).
 - o **Overseas Long Tour.** Has not applied before the 25th day of the 8th month before DEROS (waiverable).
- Be recommended by your immediate Commander on the AF Form 56.
- Must be able to complete their degree in 2 to 4 years and be considered a full-time student by the university.

- Have at least 24 hours of graded college course work towards your degree with at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA.
- Have a minimum ACT composite score of 25 or an SAT combined Reading and Math score of 1180 or an AFOQT Academic Aptitude score of 55.
- Must have at least 24 semester hours or 36 quarter hours of math or physical science, or 4 semesters or 6 quarters of the same foreign language maintaining at least a C- in each course upon graduation.
- Be admitted to a school offering AFROTC (including cross-town schools) in the academic major you desire to study.
- Earn Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT) scores of 15 or more on the Verbal scale and 10 or more on the Quantitative scale. **Note:** *AFOQT scores may be waiverable for one more attempt for those who have taken the test twice and failed both times. Note that waivers are not guaranteed.*
- Pass all components of the Air Force Physical Fitness Test.
- Must not be selected for reassignment prior to application submission date.
- Must be medically qualified for continued enlistment, commissioning, and cleared for worldwide duty.
- Must not be PRP decertified or disqualified (waiverable).
- Must not have any restrictions (AAC, ALC, O, UIF, etc.) other than an AAC code 5 (waiverable).
- Must not have an IEB/SRB within the present enlistment (waiverable).
- Meet retainability requirement. The earliest selects will be authorized to separate is 30 days prior to class start date. If the applicant does not meet this requirement, they must request an extension through their normal base channels.
- Meet all the requirements for commissioning (physical, moral, fitness, etc.) listed in AFI 36-2013, AFROTCI 36-2011, AFI 36-2002 and AFI 36-2005.

For More Info: <http://www.au.af.mil/au/holmcenter/afrotc/EnlistedComm/ASCP.asp>

Professional Officer Course – Early Release Program (POC-ERP)

POC-ERP offers active duty enlisted personnel the opportunity to earn a commission who can complete all bachelor degree and commissioning requirements in 2 years as an AFROTC cadet. Applicants are not authorized to pursue a second bachelors or graduate degree. Those selected separate from the Active Duty Air Force, join an AFROTC Detachment and become a full-time college student. The Air Force provides them a monthly nontaxable stipend. Upon graduation and completion of the program, you will be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and will then be returned to Active Duty with a military obligation of 4 years active and 4 years reserves.

Applications must be submitted NLT 15 October each year.

Selection Process: A selection board is held once a year. The board utilizes the "whole person" concept to evaluate applicants. As part of the board process, applicants will be evaluated on

their ability to put their package together in the proper format in accordance with the ECP Package Checklist and directions on this site. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the package is complete.

While the board considers all documents in an application package, they typically focus on the applicant's academic performance, the Commander's recommendation, and the Airman's duty performance history to determine the applicant's eligibility. Airmen selected will receive instructions and be required to complete additional post selection actions. Once all actions have been completed they will be authorized to separate no earlier than 10 days prior to their class start date the following fall term. ALL waiver requests are due to HQ AFROTC/RRUE NLT 1 July and NLT 1 August each year. Application packages must reach HQ AFROTC/RRUE NLT 1 September and NLT 15 October each year. Late packages or late waiver requests will not be accepted.

Requirements:

- Be a United States citizen.
- Meet the age requirements.
 - o Applicants must commission by age 30. Up to age 35 with a waiver. Applicants commissioning over the age of 30 will need to submit a waiver request to HQ AFROTC/RRUE.
- Have at least 1 year Time-In-Service (waiverable).
- Have at least 1 year Time-On-Station at board convening date (*Board is held in January*) (waiverable).
- Have served at least half of an overseas tour 1 month prior to class start date (waiverable).
 - o **Overseas Long Tour.** Has not applied before the 25th day of the 8th month before DEROS (waiverable).
- Be recommended by your immediate commander on the AF Form 56.
- Must be able to complete their degree in 2 years and be considered a full-time student by the university.
 - o Have at least 24 hours of graded college course work towards your degree with at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
 - o Must have at least 24 semester hours or 36 quarter hours of math or physical science, or 4 semesters or 6 quarters of the same foreign language maintaining at least a C- in each course upon graduation.
- Be admitted to a school offering AFROTC (including cross-town schools) in the academic major you desire to study.
- Earn Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT) scores of 15 or more on the Verbal scale and 10 or more on the Quantitative scale.
- Pass all components of the Air Force Physical Fitness Test.
- Must not be selected for reassignment prior to application submission date.
- Must be medically qualified for continued enlistment, commissioning, and cleared for worldwide duty.
- Must not be PRP decertified or disqualified (waiverable).

- Must not have any restrictions (AAC, ALC, O, UIF, etc.) other than an AAC code 5 (waiverable).
- Must not have an IEB/SRB within the present enlistment (waiverable).
- Meet retainability requirement. The earliest selects will be authorized to separate is 30 days prior to class start date. If the applicant does not meet this requirement, they must request an extension through their normal base channels.
- Meet all the requirements for commissioning (physical, moral, fitness, etc.) listed in AFI 36-2013, AFROTCI 36-2011, AFI 36-2002 and AFI 36-2005.

For More Info: http://www.au.af.mil/au/holmcenter/AFROTC/EnlistedComm/POC_ERP.asp

Scholarships for Outstanding Airman (SOAR)

SOAR offers Active Duty enlisted personnel the opportunity to earn a commission who can complete all bachelor degree and commissioning requirements in 2 to 4 years as an AFROTC Cadet. Those selected separate from the Active Duty Air Force, join an AFROTC Detachment and become a full-time college student. The Air Force provides them with a tuition/fees scholarship of up to \$18,000 per year, an annual textbook allowance, and a monthly nontaxable stipend. This scholarship will be awarded for 2 to 4 years, depending on how many years you have remaining in your bachelor's degree program. Upon graduation and completion of the program, you will be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and will then be returned to active duty with a military obligation of 4 years active and 4 years reserves. Students awarded a scholarship must have 24 semester/36 quarter hours of math/physical science or 4 semesters/6 quarters of a foreign language (must be the same language) before they commission.

Applications must be submitted by MAJCOMs NLT 15 October each year.

Selection Process:

A selection board is held once a year. SOAR is a Commander's program to select top-flight enlisted members for commissioning. Selections are made at the MAJCOM level for most Airmen. Those assigned to Field Operating Agencies (FOA) and Direct Reporting Units (DRU), are selected from a Small Units selection board that meets at HQ AFROTC at Maxwell AFB, AL. There are 51 SOAR allocations.

MAJCOM/FOA/DRU	SOAR ALLOCATIONS
ACC	14
AETC	7
AFGSC	1
AFMC	4
AFSPC	3
AFSOC	2
AMC	8
PACAF	5
USAFE	4
All Other (Small Units Board)	3

The MAJCOM/FOA/DRU/Small Units boards utilize the "whole person" concept to evaluate applicants. As part of the board process, applicants will be evaluated on their ability to put their package together in the proper format in accordance with the ECP Package Checklist and directions on this site. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the package is complete. While the board considers all documents in an application package, they typically focus on the applicant's academic performance, the Commander's recommendation, and the Airman's duty performance history to determine the applicant's eligibility. Airmen selected will receive instructions and be required to complete additional post selection actions. Once all actions have been completed they will be authorized to separate no earlier than 10 days prior to their class start date the following fall term.

Requirements:

- Be a United States citizen.
- Meet the Age requirements.
 - o IAW Title 10 U.S.C., Section 2107, *Financial Assistance Program for Specially Selected Members*, applicants who apply for ASCP or SOAR must be under age 31 on December 31 of their graduation year to earn a commission. (**NOT WAIVERABLE**)
- Have at least 1 year Time-In-Service (waiverable).
- Have at least one year Time-On-Station at board convening date (*Board is held in December*) (waiverable).
- Have served at least half of an overseas tour one month prior to class start date (waiverable).
 - o **Overseas Long Tour.** Has not applied before the 25th day of the 8th month before DEROS (waiverable).
- Be recommended by your immediate commander on the AF Form 56.
- Must be able to complete their degree in 2 to 4 years and be considered a full-time student by the university.
 - o Have at least 24 hours of graded college course work toward your degree with at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA.
 - o Have a minimum ACT composite score of 25 or an SAT combined Reading and Math score of 1180 or an AFOQT Academic Aptitude score of 55.
 - o Must have at least 24 semester hours or 36 quarter hours of math or physical science, or 4 semesters or 6 quarters of the same foreign language maintaining at least a C- in each course upon graduation.
- Be admitted to a school offering Air Force ROTC (including cross-town schools) in the academic major you desire to study.
- Earn Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT) scores of 15 or more on the Verbal scale and 10 or more on the Quantitative scale.
- Pass all components of the Air Force Physical Fitness Test.
- Must not be selected for reassignment prior to application submission date.
- Must be medically qualified for continued enlistment, commissioning, and cleared for worldwide duty.

- Must not be PRP decertified or disqualified (waiverable).
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- Must not have an IEB/SRB within the present enlistment (waiverable).
- Meet retainability requirement. The earliest selects will be authorized to separate is 30 days prior to class start date. If the applicant does not meet this requirement, they must request an extension through their normal base channels.
- Meet all the requirements for commissioning (physical, moral, fitness, etc.) listed in AFI 36-2013, AFROTCI 36-2011, AFI 36-2002 and AFI 36-2005.

For More Info: <http://www.au.af.mil/au/holmcenter/AFROTC/EnlistedComm/SOAR.asp>

Applications by Members of Other Services

Members of other branches of the service wanting to join AFROTC may apply for the Professional Officer Course-Early Release Program (POC-ERP) or the Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program (ASCP). **They must first obtain a conditional release from their enlistment from their service's personnel system.** You can do this with a DD Form 368, Request for Conditional Release. Have it filled out then email it to us at afrotc.rrue@us.af.mil to get the Requester's Signature. When you receive it back process it through your chain of command for the appropriate signatures then include it in your application package.

The two-programs available to apply for are:

- Airman Scholarship Commissioning Program (ASCP)
- Professional Officer Course – Early Release Program (POC-ERP)

For More Info:

<http://www.au.af.mil/au/holmcenter/AFROTC/EnlistedComm/OtherServices.asp>

Air Force ROTC Professional Opportunities

Law Programs

Graduate Law Program (GLP): The GLP is a two-year Air Force ROTC program for law students. Once selected for the GLP, students are guaranteed a position as an Air Force Judge Advocate upon successful completion of Air Force ROTC program, graduation from an ABA-approved law school and completion of legal licensing requirements (including admission to practice before any state's highest court). The GLP is not a scholarship program. However, GLP students are paid during summer field training, and they also receive up to a \$400 tax-free stipend each month of school during the last two years of their legal education.

To Enroll: Meet Air Force ROTC requirements, attend a law school approved by the American Bar Association (ABA) and affiliated with Air Force ROTC, be in good academic standing, meet Air Force ROTC entry standards, such as U.S. citizenship, Air Force Officer Qualifying Test minimum scores, and Air Force ROTC weight, fitness and medical standards.

Application (2-Parts):

1. Apply through your school's Air Force ROTC Detachment at the beginning of the spring semester of your first year of law school.
2. Complete the application and schedule a hiring interview with the senior attorney (Staff Judge Advocate) at a nearby Air Force base. The deadline for completion of all application paperwork and the hiring interview is February 1.

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

Training: Selectees attend a field training encampment at an Air Force base during the summer between their first and second year of law school. They then complete the normal academic requirements for the Air Force ROTC two-year program while attending their second and third year of law school. For students with prior military service, field training is four weeks; for those with no prior military experience, field training is five weeks.

Commissioning and Service Commitment: Upon completion of Air Force ROTC program and graduation from law school, Cadets are commissioned as Second Lieutenants. The initial period of Active Duty is four years. Those who have completed legal licensing requirements, including admission to practice before a state's highest court, normally enter active duty shortly thereafter. Those who have not yet completed legal licensing requirements are granted an educational delay until they meet those requirements. Graduates of the GLP begin Active Duty

as First Lieutenants and are eligible for promotion to Captain on the day they complete six months of Active Duty.

One-Year Commissioning Program (OYCP): A commissioning program for eligible second-year law students. Cadets are eligible for a month stipend once enlisted into the POC. Selectees are guaranteed a position as an Air Force judge advocate contingent upon successful completion of the AFROTC program, medical qualification, graduation from an ABA-approved law school with a J.D., and completion of legal licensing requirements, including proof of active (or equivalent) status with a current license in good standing to practice law before the highest court of a U.S. state, commonwealth or territory, or the District of Columbia. The initial ADSC is 4 years active duty and 4 years inactive reserves. ADSC begins the date of entry onto Active Duty as a judge advocate. The combined Active Duty and inactive reserve commitment must total 8 years.

Eligibility: Law students in their second year of law school are eligible to apply. Part-time law students undergoing a four-year J.D. program may apply in their third year of law school. Applicants must meet all of the following eligibility requirements.

To Enroll: Attend an ABA-approved law school with an AFROTC detachment or be attending an ABA-approved law school with a cross-town agreement, be in good academic standing, meet AFROTC entry standards, successful completion of medical examinations, if applying for AFROTC scholarship benefits, meet requirements set by AFROTC, if ineligible for scholarships, be under age 35 before commissioning.

Application:

1. Apply online at www.airforce.com/jag
2. Interview with active duty SJAs at an Air Force installation. Must complete the application by 10 January during their second year of law school.

Training: Attend Field training the summer prior to entering the AFROTC program as a contract cadet and prior to their final year of law school. Selectees are contracted/enlisted into the POC pursuant to AFROTC requirements for the POC at their AFROTC Det. And receive a stipend IAW AFROTC requirements.

Program Completion: Upon completion of the AFROTC program and graduation from law school, cadets are commissioned as Second Lieutenants and placed in an inactive, non-pay status. Officers must obtain a legal license ASAP. In most jurisdictions, this requires passing a bar exam. They must take the first scheduled bar exam following graduation from law school.

Nursing

The nursing program allows a student to pursue their bachelor's in nursing while participating in AFROTC. There are scholarship opportunities for nursing majors.

Requirements:

- Be a United States citizen by the end of the projected term of activation.
- Pass the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT).
- Pass the Air Force ROTC Physical Fitness Test to be qualified by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board. (Non-AFROTC students can apply if the examination has been scheduled. If selected, they cannot activate a scholarship until the certification is complete.)
- Have at least a 2.5 cumulative college grade point average.
- Not already be a contracted scholarship recipient.
- Meet the age, moral and other scholarship eligibility requirements for Air Force ROTC.
- Be a sophomore or junior, majoring in nursing at a college or university accredited by the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission (NLNAC) or Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Visit [nlnac.org](http://www.nlnac.org) or <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation/accredited-programs> for a list of accredited programs.

Air Force Benefits and Obligation

Air Force Benefits

The Air Force offers you an opportunity to serve your country in a challenging career. Some of the many available career fields include: pilot, navigator, air traffic controller, air weapons controller, security forces (military police), meteorologist, engineer, program manager, test manager, logistician, scientist, missile officer, space operations officer, nurse, physician, pharmacist, maintenance, intelligence, personnel, attorney, comptroller (finance), and public affairs.

We also provide other fantastic benefits including:

- Starting salary of around \$50K, increasing to over \$75K in four years (salary varies depending on location and dependent status)
- 30 days of paid vacation each year
- Free medical, dental, and eye care
- \$400,000 low-cost life insurance
- Up to 100% of postgraduate tuition paid
- Worldwide travel opportunities to live and work
- Free travel on military aircraft (space-available basis)
- Full retirement benefits at 20 years of service

What's The Obligation?

After graduating from college and successfully completing all Air Force ROTC requirements, you receive a commission as a Second Lieutenant, with an obligation of at least four years of service in the Active Duty Air Force. Normally, you will enter Active Duty within thirty days after graduation. Pilots incur a ten-year commitment after training completion while navigators, air battle managers, and a select few of other career fields require a six-year commitment after training completion.

Air Force ROTC Host and Crosstown Schools in Upstate New York

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Syracuse University	Clarkson University	Cornell University	Rochester Institute of Technology
SUNY Oswego	SUNY Canton	SUNY Cortland	University of Rochester
Onondaga Community College	SUNY Potsdam	SUNY Binghamton	Saint John Fisher College
SUNY ESF	Saint Lawrence University	Ithaca College	Monroe Community College
Lemoyne College		Elmira College	Nazareth College of Rochester
SUNY Upstate			Roberts Wesleyan College
Utica College			SUNY Brockport
SUNY Polytechnic Institute			Genesee Community College
Mohawk Valley Community College			SUNY Geneseo
Hamilton College			Finger Lakes Community College
Cazenovia College			
Morrisville State College			
Columbia College			

Schools in **bold** are the host detachments where AFROTC activities generally take place. Schools not in bold are “cross-town” schools that have agreements to honor Air Force ROTC course work and allow students enrolled in their schools to participate in Air Force ROTC at the host school. Students are generally responsible for transportation to the host school. Cross-town schools change often. Check with the host school AFROTC Detachment for more information.

Other Air Force Opportunities and Regional Events

United States Air Force Academy

<http://academyadmissions.com/>

Highly competitive college program offering 32 majors. All fees as well as room and board are covered for students. Students receive a B.S. Degree and commission as a 2nd Lieutenant upon graduation.

Students interested in applying should begin working on their applications in their junior year of

United States Air Force (Enlistment)

www.airforce.com

Offers full-time jobs in 150+ career fields and a starting salary of \$1350/month plus food and housing allowances (within the first two years, pay increases multiple times). Minimum commitment is 4 or 6 years. The Air Force pays 100% tuition costs and Airmen can apply for an additional benefits through the Post-9/11 GI Bill if they desire to attend college.

Air National Guard

www.goang.com

Air Force Reserves

<http://www.afreserve.com/>

All Air Force recruiters can help you understand more about the Air Force and what it's like to cross into the blue. Air Force-related events may be found at www.airforce.com.

Contact Us and Social Media

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact us:

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