

Military Scholarship Opportunities for 2009-2010

Planning for the Military?

Contact a local recruiter for requirements and planning information.

Army	www.goarmy.com
Navy	www.navy.com
Marines	www.marines.com
Air Force	www.airforce.com
National Guard	www.1800goguard.com
Coast Guard	www.gocoastguard.com

Take the ASVAB test in October at Longview High School if you are interested in the military and/or if you are interested in taking a career interest inventory. Sign up in the counseling office.

Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) Marine Option Scholarship

The NROTC scholarship is a four year scholarship for full tuition at one of the listed college or universities; all college/university educational fees; stipend for textbooks; provision for all uniforms; and subsistence allowance each academic month.

Scholarships are open to all high school seniors or graduates with less than 30 college credit hours who apply. A 1000 SAT (combined math and verbal score), an ACT composite score of 22, or an ACT score of 45 combined math and English, with average fitness abilities are all you need to be eligible. Young men and women of all ethnic and racial backgrounds are encouraged to apply. The scholarship can be used at any college or university that has an NROTC program, including the University of Texas, Texas A&M, Colorado, Florida LSU, Michigan, Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Ohio State and UCLA, to name a few. There is no commitment required until after your freshman year.

Selection Boards: November and January

Those who apply before October 31 have two opportunities to win the scholarship. The final deadline to apply for the scholarship is January 31, 2010.

For more information and online instructions, go to www.nrotc.navy.mil. Click on "Fill out an application" and follow the instructions. Be sure to click "Marine Option" while completing your application.

The local recruiter is Daryl D. Walker, 414 W. Loop 281, Suite 11, Longview, Texas 75604 903-753-8844. His email address is daryl.walker@marines.usmc.mil.

Naval Scholarship Opportunities for Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU)

For motivated and qualified high school students seeking to develop morally, mentally, and physically, and to become leaders in the Navy and Marine Corps team

Basic Scholarship Requirements

- Be 17 years old by September 1 of the first year of college
- SAT: 530 Verbal, 520 Math; or ACT: 22 Math, 22 English
- Cumulative grade point average (GPA) equal to or above 2.75 on a 4.0 scale with no grade lower than a “C” in all courses attempted
- Complete two semesters of calculus prior to the start of junior year in college and two semesters of calculus-based physics prior to the start of the senior year in college
- Complete a physical and meet medical, height and weight standards
- Apply and gain admission to a HBCU that hosts a Naval ROTC program. Colleges and universities include: Southern University and A&M College, Florida A&M University, Savannah State University, Norfolk State University, Morehouse College, Hampton University, and Prairie-View University and A&M College)

Naval ROTC Program Benefits

- Full tuition
- All college and university education fees, including any out-of-state fees and lab fees for any major offered by the university or college
- \$750 per year for books (\$375 per semester)
- Monthly subsistence allowance for a ten month academic year: \$250 for freshmen, \$300 for sophomores, \$350 for juniors and \$400 for seniors
- \$600 per month for the period assigned to the United States Navy during summer, worldwide intern training
- Southern University provides a Chancellor Honor Award (approximately \$4,000 per year) towards room and meal plan expenses for naval ROTC scholarship students. This varies per university and/or college.

Graduation Benefits

- Guaranteed employment upon graduation and commissioning
- Full medical and dental coverage for you and your entire family
- Thirty-day paid vacation (each year)
- Competitive starting salary with partial tax-exemptions. (Over \$30,000 per month in pay and allowances.)
- Bonus payments up to \$25,000 (possibly \$15,000 as a college senior) for selected specialty skills
- World travel and experience
- Unparalleled leadership opportunities

Summary of National Four-Year and Nurse Corps Scholarships

National Four Year Scholarship

- Be 17 years old by September 1 of the first year of college
- SAT/ACT:

Type Scholarship	SAT Math	SAT Verbal	ACT Math	ACT English
Navy	530	520	22	22
Nurse	530	520	22	22
Marine Corps	SAT Composite: 1000		ACT Composite: 45	
- Complete a physical and meet medical and height/weight standards
- Apply and gain acceptance to a Naval ROTC college or university
- Submit scholarship application by January 29, 2010

Nurse Corps Scholarship

- Meet age, medical, and height/weight requirements similar to the four-year scholarship
- Must matriculate at a Naval ROTC-affiliated college with a National League for Nursing accredited or state board of nursing-approved baccalaureate degree in nursing program
- Will be excused from Naval ROTC program requirements for calculus and calculus-based physics, American Military History/National Security Policy, naval ship systems, navigation, and naval operations unless the university or college requires the courses
- Obtain and maintain a license to practice as a professional registered nurse from a state, territory, or the District of Columbia based on licensing examination provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing and administered by one of its member Boards of Nursing
- Same program and graduation benefits as the Historically Black College and University scholarship

Southern University Information www.subr.edu.nrotc
 Lieutenant Lenard Mitchell, USN lenard_mitchell@subr.edu
 Assistant Professor of Naval Science, Southern University and A&M College, P. O. Box 9214, Baton Rouge, LA 70814, telephone 225-771-4370 or 888-786-7682

Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) at Stephen F. Austin State University

SMP is available for both National Guard and U.S. Army Reserve enlisted soldier and allows you to participate in your local reserve component unit while completing your college education.

Army ROTC SMP offers you normal drill pay at your current rank until your contract as a cadet; pay at E-5 level once your contract (\$260); MGIB (Tax Free) (\$329); SMP Kicker (\$350); and ROTC Stipend (\$300-\$500).

Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship (GRFD)
 You will serve your military obligation with the Reserve Component (either National Guard or the U.S. Army Reserve) and will be offered \$1200 for books per year (\$600 per semester).

Minimum Qualifications for a 4-year Army ROTC

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be between the ages of 17 and 26
- Have a high school GPA of at least 2.50
- Have a high school diploma or equivalent
- Score minimum of 920 on the SAT (math/verbal) or 19 on the ACT (excluding the required writing test scores.)
- Meet physical standards
- Agree to accept a commission and serve in the Army on Active Duty or in a Reserve Component (U.S. Army Reserve or Army National Guard)

For more information about SFA, SFA Lumberjack Battalion, or ROTC, please go to the following websites:

Stephen F. Austin State University www.sfasu.edu

SFA Army ROTC www.sfasu.edu/rotc

Information on Army ROTC or to apply for a scholarship www.goarmy.com/rotc

To take advantage of this opportunity, please contact Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) John McKinney at 936-468-4445 (office) or at 936-371-9492 (cell) or by email at jmckinney@sfasu.edu.