

# OFFICER CAREERS



UNITED STATES  
SPACE FORCE



# SPACEPOWER EXPERTISE

The Space Force's greatest assets are the men and women — Guardians — who develop, operate and defend the critical space systems our nation, allies and the world rely upon. They stand ready, every day — “Always Above” — to ensure we never experience a day without space.

Our officer Guardians collaborate with their enlisted and civilian Guardian counterparts and receive extensive training and experience on some of the most advanced systems and equipment in the world.

We offer several officer career opportunities that center around exploring and transforming technology into real-world applications. Each career field is unique and vital to the mission.

## **BASIC OFFICER QUALIFICATIONS**

- Be between ages 17 and 42
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Meet physical and moral requirements
- Meet security clearance requirements
- Have a bachelor's or postgraduate degree
- Achieve a minimum required score on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test
- Be commissioned through the Air Force Academy, Air Force ROTC or the Air Force Officer Training School

Your recruiter can provide additional information on specific qualifications needed for each specialty.

## SPACE OPERATIONS

Our Space Operations officers manage space operations systems to achieve and maintain U.S. space superiority. Systems include four major warfighting functions — orbital warfare, space electronic warfare, space battle management and space access and sustainment. These professionals coordinate with national and international space agencies on space activities, including satellite launches, missile warning, tracking, control and cataloging activities.

## INTELLIGENCE

Gathering intelligence is crucial to the Space Force mission. Intelligence officers lead and perform intelligence activities across the full range of military operations supporting global integrated intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance. These officers serve as the commander's intelligence advisor and develop intelligence plans and policies, collaborate with Space Force partners and produce timely and accurate intelligence analysis.

## CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS

Cyberspace Operations officers provide a broad range of cyber-related expertise that is key to successful warfighting operations in the space and cyberspace domains, including the electromagnetic spectrum and satellite communications. They develop plans and policies, monitor operations and advises commanders on those operations. These officers review mission taskings and intelligence information and ensure equipment and crews are mission ready prior to execution/deployment.

Following technical training, officers are classified in one of these specialties:

- Offensive Cyberspace Operator
- Defensive Cyberspace Operator



## DEVELOPMENTAL ENGINEER

Engineers play a key role in the day-to-day operations of the Space Force with their specialties covering a wide variety of mission critical areas. Developmental Engineers, identify and transition new technologies in systems and subsystems. They also prepare, evaluate and implement methods, processes and techniques that support system design to improve performance, reliability and maintainability for systems development and modification programs.

Officers with specific degrees and advanced training are classified in one of these engineering specialties:

- Aeronautical Engineer
- Astronautical Engineer
- Computer Systems Engineer
- Electrical Engineer
- Project Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer

## ACQUISITION MANAGER

From procuring intricate microprocessors to testing and deploying large Space Force systems, our Acquisition Managers oversee every aspect of the acquisition life cycle process. This includes managing program policies and procedures pertinent to the development, procurement, production, quality assurance, logistics and employment techniques for the systems being acquired. These officers advise commanders and staff on the status and progress of each acquisition program.







## BENEFITS OF SERVICE

As a Guardian, you're at the forefront of today's newest branch of service and you directly impact our everyday way of life. In return, the Space Force provides important benefits and a quality of life that helps enrich your personal and professional needs.

- 30 days of vacation with pay each year
- Opportunities for advanced education with up to 100 percent tuition assistance and the Post-9/11 GI Bill
- Comprehensive medical care
- Up to \$500,000 in life insurance
- Tax-free food and housing allowances
- Free use of base sports facilities and gyms
- Live, work and travel worldwide
- Generous retirement system with the Thrift Savings Plan similar to a 401(k)



# EARN YOUR COMMISSION

## AIR FORCE ACADEMY

Located in Colorado Springs, Colorado, the Air Force Academy is one of the most prestigious schools in the nation developing young leaders for the Air Force and Space Force. While at the Academy, cadets receive pay and full benefits, cost-free tuition and room and board. Upon graduation, earn a Bachelor of Science degree and commission as a Space Force Second Lieutenant.

Learn more at **ACADEMYADMISSIONS.COM**

## AIR FORCE ROTC

Air Force ROTC combines traditional undergraduate college education with military instruction while preparing individuals to become officers in the Air Force and Space Force. Available at more than 1,100 colleges and universities throughout the country, ROTC offers scholarships that cover tuition, most textbooks and fees along with a monthly stipend.

Learn more at **AFROTC.COM**.

## OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL (OTS)

If you already have a bachelor's degree, then Officer Training School is the path for you to earn a commission. Located at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama, OTS is a highly competitive nine-and-a-half week course that prepares you for a leadership role in the Space Force.

Learn more at **SPACEFORCE.COM**.

## LAUNCH YOUR FUTURE

Embark on an exciting journey and launch your future as a Space Force Guardian. As a Guardian, you'll play a crucial role in safeguarding our nation's interests in the vast expanse of space.

Immerse yourself in a world of innovation, where your potential knows no limits. The Space Force offers a myriad of opportunities, inviting you to conduct cutting-edge research, and contribute to the advancement of space technologies.

For those eager to embark on this unique journey, your local recruiter is the first point of contact. They can provide in-depth information about available opportunities and guide you through the recruiting process. For more information, contact your local recruiter, call **1-888-885-USSF** or visit **SPACEFORCE.COM**.



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