

### EDUCATION AND Commissioning Opportunities



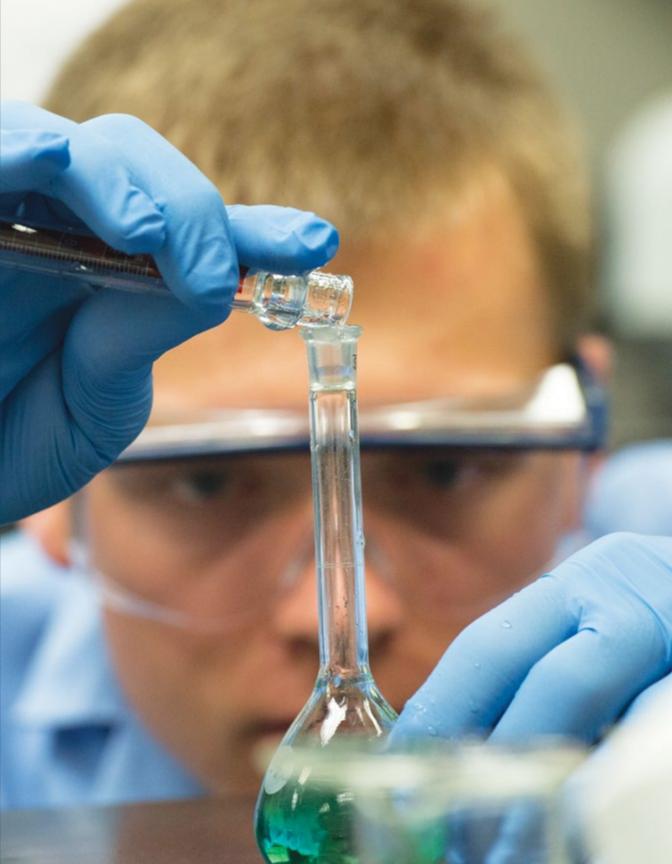
## DISCOVER YOUR POTENTIAL. PURSUE YOUR EDUCATION. FUEL YOUR INNOVATION.

The U.S. Air Force is the world's preeminent air, space and cyberspace force. We maintain this distinction through our objectives of global vigilance, reach and power, and remaining true to our vision statement:

"The World's Greatest Air Force — Powered by Airmen, Fueled by Innovation."

We provide every Airman with unsurpassed education opportunities and we invest time and resources to fuel their innovation and to achieve their goals.

If you're interested in allowing the Air Force to help you earn your college degree or are ready to develop highly sought-after skills, we have opportunities for you to enter the Air Force at almost any education level. We will help you discover your potential, earn a degree and take your Air Force career as far as you want.



## OFFICER Commissioning Opportunities

#### **AIR FORCE ACADEMY**

The Academy, located in Colorado Springs, Colorado, is one of the most prestigious schools in the nation, not only in academia and athletics, but also in character and leadership development. The Academy is an accredited university offering a wide variety of majors ranging from aeronautical engineering to political science while also competing in 27 Men's and Women's NCAA Division 1 sports. While at the Academy, cadets receive pay and full benefits, cost-free tuition and room and board. Upon graduation, Cadets are commissioned as Second Lieutenants in the Air Force and earn a Bachelor of Science degree.

usafa.edu | 1-800-443-9266

#### **AIR FORCE RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS**

The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) allows students to earn a college degree and receive leadership and character development training while enjoying a traditional college experience. AFROTC is available at more than 1,100 colleges and universities across the nation. It offers scholarships on a competitive basis to high school students, as well as to those already enrolled in college who demonstrate outstanding academic and leadership qualities. To find an AFROTC detachment near you, visit afrotc.com/ college-locator.

#### **OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL**

The Air Force Officer Training School (OTS) is a rigorous, eight-week program designed to challenge individuals both mentally and physically. Throughout the course of OTS, students develop the skills and confidence necessary to be an officer and lead the men and women of the Air Force. If you've completed a bachelor's degree or are within one year of earning it, you can apply for this competitive program.

airforce.com/education/military-training/ots





### OFFICER Commissioning Opportunities

#### **JUDGE ADVOCATE**

As members of the Air Force Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps, our highly trained attorneys provide a full spectrum of legal support including criminal law, civil (administrative) law, government contract law, health law, labor law, environmental law, international law, military operations law. As commissioned officers, JAGs have opportunities to continue their education in a number of legal specialties and to gain experience working around the globe.

airforce.com/jag | 1-800-JAG-USAF

#### CHAPLAIN

Through a varied pastoral ministry, Air Force Chaplains are the visible reminder of the Holy. Each Chaplain is endorsed by his or her own religious group and remains faithful to the tenets of that body. Chaplains also offer a broadly based ministry aimed at meeting the diverse pastoral needs of the military community.

airforce.com/chaplain | 1-800-803-2452

#### **HEALTH PROFESSIONS OPPORTUNITIES**

Air Force Health Professionals provide exceptional medical care for Airmen and their families. From general medicine to highly focused specialties, there are dozens of healthcare careers in the Air Force. Scholarships are available in certain specialties, which pay for education expenses while providing a monthly stipend.

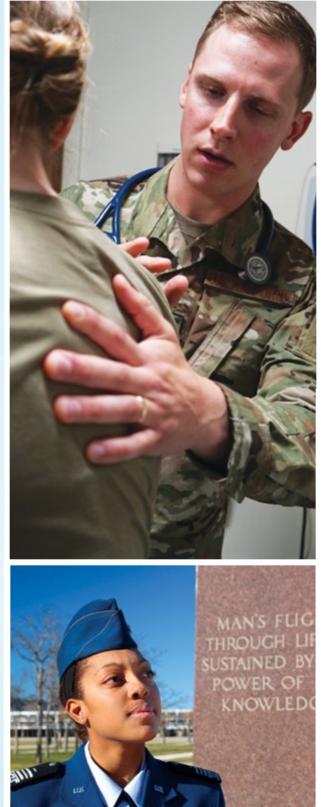
airforce.com/healthcare | 1-800-423-USAF

#### UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) is a Department of Defense medical school located in Bethesda, Maryland. Students selected as Air Force members of the program are commissioned in the rank of Second Lieutenant and receive the full salary and benefits commensurate to their grade in exchange for a seven-year service commitment.

Students do not incur the costly financial debt of traditional medical schools and graduate programs because their tuition is waived by the Department of Defense. USUHS accepts applications from civilians, AFROTC cadets, service academy cadets, active-duty and Reserve members.

www.usuhs.edu | 1-800-515-5257







The Air Force has given me so many tools and opportunities to develop as a leader and person and it's only going to give me more as I progress through my career. I'm proud to say I serve in the US Air Force.

- 2nd Lt. Madison Estuesta



# ENLISTED AIRMEN EDUCATION AND COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS

The Air Force offers exclusive programs for enlisted Airmen to continue their education, earn a college degree and advance in their careers either as enlisted members or as future commissioned officers.

With financial assistance and the online Air Force Virtual Education Center available every step of the way, Airmen can take full control of their education and map out the best path to achieve their goals.



## ENLISTED EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

#### **AIR FORCE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

There's no need to worry about how to cover your college expenses. The Air Force Tuition Assistance Program pays up to 100 percent of tuition for academic or technical classes taken on or off base and through distance learning in pursuit of an associate, bachelor's and master's degree.

airforce.com/education

#### **COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE AIR FORCE**

Enlisted members are automatically enrolled in the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF). It's the largest community college in the world and the only two-year institution exclusively serving enlisted members. College credits add up quickly for Basic Military Training, technical training, on-the-job training, and upgrade training. Also, if you already earned college credits prior to enlisting, CCAF will accept credits from other accredited schools on a course-by-course basis.

#### airforce.com/education

#### ASSOCIATE-TO-BACCALAUREATE COOPERATIVE

Through the Air University's Associate-to-Baccalaureate Cooperative (ABC) program, Airmen can apply their CCAF degree toward a Bachelor's Degree from a variety of colleges and universities. Using the Air Force's Virtual Education Center, Airmen can enroll as juniors in one of over 200 programs.

airforce.com/education

#### **AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

The Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) is the Air Force's graduate school of engineering and management as well as an institution for technical professional continuing education. A component of Air University and Air Education and Training Command, AFIT is committed to providing defensefocused graduate and professional continuing education and research to sustain the technological supremacy of America's air, space and cyber forces.

AFIT accomplishes this mission through four schools: the Graduate School of Engineering and Management, the School of Systems and Logistics, the Civil Engineer School and the School of Strategic Force Studies.

For more information, visit: www.afit.edu.





## ENLISTED Commissioning Opportunities

#### AIR FORCE ROTC ENLISTED Commissioning Program

Air Force ROTC's Enlisted Commissioning Program (ECP) offers highly qualified, enlisted Airmen the opportunity to continue to hone their leadership skills and assume increased responsibility as commissioned officers. Activeduty, Reserve, and Guard enlisted members can apply to three ECP opportunities: the Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program (ASCP), the Scholarship for Outstanding Airmen to ROTC (SOAR) and the Professional Officer Course – Early Release Program (POC-ERP).

afrotc.com/scholarships | 1-866-4AFROTC

#### SENIOR LEADER ENLISTED COMMISSIONING Program

The Senior Leadership Enlisted Commissioning Program (SLECP) enables designated Air Force senior leaders to directly select enlisted Airmen for commissioning through OTS. The program provides a two-track opportunity — one for Airmen to pursue their bachelor's degree full time while on active-duty status with tuition and fees assistance, and one for Airmen who have already acquired their degree to be commissioned through OTS.

#### **OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL**

Airmen with a bachelor's degree or higher can earn a commission through the Officer Training School (OTS). The program teaches the skills and confidence necessary of an officer to lead in the Air Force. Enlisted members who have completed a bachelor's degree and have the endorsement of their unit commander, can apply for OTS.

airforce.com/education/military-training/ots

#### LEADERS ENCOURAGING AIRMAN DEVELOPMENT (AIR FORCE ACADEMY)

Commanders may endorse highly qualified Airmen (17-22 years of age) for consideration to the Air Force Academy. Upon graduation, students will receive a Bachelor of Science degree and a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force. Appointments are available to the Academy and the Academy Preparatory School for Active Duty, Reserve and Air National Guard Airmen. Admission is competitive. Interested Airmen must complete an Air Force Academy application and obtain a recommendation from their squadron commander among other requirements.

academyadmissions.com | 1-800-443-9266

## ENLISTED Commissioning Opportunities

#### INTER-SERVICE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM

Active-duty Airmen can become both physician assistants and officers in the Air Force. Airmen with two to 14 years of service are eligible to apply for the Inter-Service Physician Assistant Training Program. Applicants must meet college credit and cumulative grade point requirements to be considered. For more information, visit the myPers website.

afpc.af.mil/Assignment/Enlisted\_Commission

#### ENLISTED TO MEDICAL DEGREE Preparatory program

The Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program offers Air Force enlisted members an opportunity to complete the preparatory coursework for admission to medical school while maintaining active-duty status. This program is open to candidates who are dedicated to becoming future physicians, leaders and scholars of our nation's medical force. Following successful completion of the program, graduates apply for acceptance to the USUHS Medical School and/or civilian medical schools. For more information, visit the myPers website.

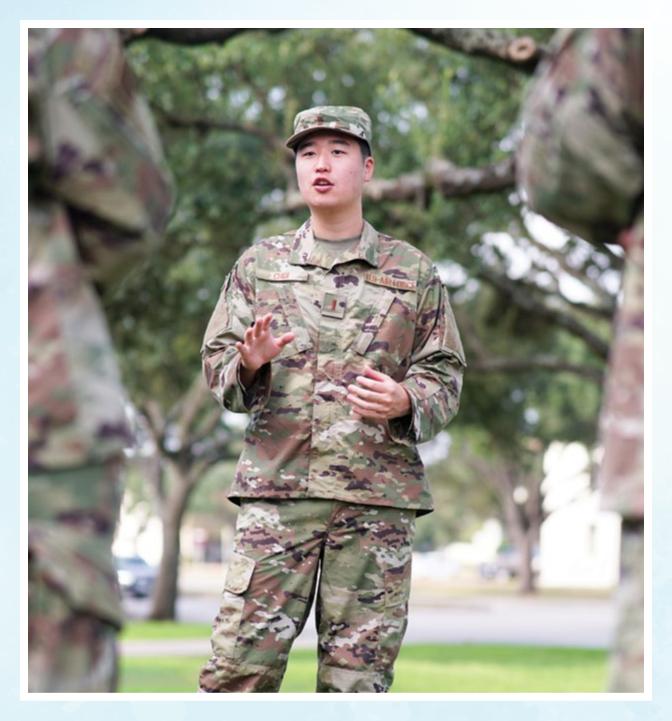
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#### NURSE ENLISTED COMMISSIONING PROGRAM

The Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program (NECP) allows Airmen to remain on active duty and receive their regular pay while completing their bachelor's degree in nursing. Airmen attend class full-time at a participating college or university and receive financial assistance to cover tuition and fees.

airforce.com/education/ongoing-education





The Air Force has given me the building blocks to succeed as an officer. I'm excited for the opportunities that lie before me, and I am ready to serve. – 2nd Lt. Tom Choi









#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For additional information, see your local Air Force recruiter or visit your base education services center. Also visit **AIRFORCE.COM** or call **1-800-423-USAF**.



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