

**SUMMARY OF ENLISTED COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS\***

<b>PROGRAM:</b>	Air Force Academy / Prep School	AFROTC Scholarships (SOAR) & (ASCP)	Professional Officer Course-Early Release Program (POC-ERP)	Officer Training School (OTS)	Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program (NECP)	Physician Assistant Program (IPAP)	Medical Service Corps (MSC)	Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program (EMDP2)	Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP)
Stay on AD?	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Semi (AD during summer)
Scholarship Funding	Full scholarship	Yes (\$18,000 annual cap)	No (However, must attend a school where annual tuition & fees do not exceed \$18,000)	No	Yes (\$15,000 annual cap)	No	No	N/A	Full Scholarship
Stipend	No. Cadet pay	Yes \$300-\$500 monthly	Yes \$450-\$500 monthly	No	No	No	No	No	Yes \$2,229.30 monthly
Textbooks	Provided	\$900 annually	\$900 annually	N/A	\$600 annually	Provided by AF	N/A	Provided by AF	Reimbursable
Age & TIS (Commission by)	Under 23 by 1 July of entry year AFA Under 22 by 1 July of entry year (Prep School)	Be under age 31 on December 31 of the year you will graduate and earn your commission	Under 30 (waiverable to 35)	Rated: enter OTS if under 28 / Non-rated: less than 39 1/2	Max age 42 by commissioning Min Rank E-4 Max TIS 10 yrs	Less than 39 1/2 E3-E8 (2 - 14 Years TIS)	Must be commissioned by age 40 or 42 with waiver	Less than 35 3 - 10 TIS	Less than 35 years as of 15 June in the year of admission
AD Service Commitment	5 years	4 years	4 years	Varies	4 years	54 months	N/A	3 years	4 years
GPA Requirement	No minimum but must meet high academic standards	3.0 and at least 24 SH of graded college If not 24 SH then SAT (1180) or ACT (25) minimums	2.5 and at least 24 SH of graded college If not 24 SH then SAT (1100) or ACT (24) minimums	2.5 Rated 2.5 Non-Rated Waiverable if AFOQT AA score of 58 or higher	See application guidelines	2.5 Overall GPA (3.0 Math Science)	3.0 desired	3.2	None  Must be accepted for admission to an accredited educational institution in a designated course of study leading to a degree related to the health professions.
Academic Majors	30 + majors	Any Major	Any Major	Any major Non-Technical very competitive	Nursing	See MyPers Web Site for pre-requisites	See MSC Guide	Any	Varies
AFOQT Requirement	No (SAT or ACT)	Yes (Min 15 Verbal / 10 Quantitative)	Yes (Min 15 Verbal / 10 Quantitative)	Yes (Min 15 Verbal / 10 Quantitative)	No	No	No (GRE or GMAT)	No (SAT or ACT)	No
Length of Training/ College Program	AFA is 4 years Prep-school is 10 months	2 to 4 years	max 2 years	8 weeks	max 2 years plus 5-week COT	Phase I (16 mo.), Phase II (13 mo.), plus 5-week COT	5-week COT 11-week Health Svc Admin Course	24 months	2-4 years
Application Deadlines	31 Jan for AF 1786 Candidate Packages: 1 Mar for AFA, 15 Apr for Prep-School	Due to MAJCOM in Aug/Sep. (SOAR) 1 Sep - 15 Oct to HQ AFROTC (ASCP)	1 Sep - 15 Oct to HQ AFROTC	Several boards each fiscal year. See AFRS website for board dates.	Starts Early Jan	Sep - Jan	Annual Apply in Sep	October intent to apply See latest info via link below	Rolling acceptance

\*Not all available commissioning programs are listed here

## **WEB SITES:**

- **US Air Force Academy (LEAD Program)**
  - <http://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/advice-to-applicants/enlisted-airmen/>
  - 85 direct appointments for Active Duty Airmen
  - 50 slots set aside for ten month Academy Preparatory School
- **Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Scholarships (AFROTC)**
  - Separate from the active duty Air Force, join an Air Force ROTC detachment and become a full-time college student!
  - <http://www.airuniversity.af.mil/Holm-Center/AFROTC/Display/Article/1045423/>
  - Type 2 ROTC Scholarships Programs (max \$18k per academic year)
    - Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program (ASCP)
    - Scholarships for Outstanding Airman (SOAR)
      - MAJCOM based scholarship program; 4 USAFE scholarships
  - Non-scholarship program
    - Professional Officer Course-Early Release Program (POC-ERP)
      - Perfect for Airmen who have two years or less remaining for degree completion
- **Officer Training School (OTS)**
  - <https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-af/USAF/ep/browse.do?categoryId=p88B4F00B408E088F01413B866BF21274&channelPageId=s6925EC134BF10FB5E044080020E329A9>
  - Highest number of active duty members selected for commissioning
  - No degree that's okay; May apply one year out from graduation Medical Programs
- **Biomedical Service Corps (Physical Therapists, Clinical Psychologists, Physician Assistants (PA))**
  - [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/29814](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/29814)
  - Army Baylor Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Training Program
    - [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/31747](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/31747)
    - <https://www.baylor.edu/graduate/pt/index.php?id=27028>
  - Interservice Physician Assistant Program (IPAP)
    - [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/31751](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/31751)
  - Uniform Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) PhD Clinical Psychology Training Program
    - [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/31750](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/31750)
- **Medical Corps (Medical Doctors (MD))**
  - <http://www.airforcemedicine.af.mil/Organizations/Physician-Education-Branch/>
  - Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences (USUHS)
    - <https://www.usuhs.edu/medschool/admissions>
  - Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program
    - [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/25699/](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/25699/)
    - <https://www.usuhs.edu/emdp2>
- **Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP) (Dentists, Nurse Anesthetist Pharmacists, Physicians, Optometrists, and Public Health Officers)**
  - <http://www.airforcemedicine.af.mil/Media-Center/Fact-Sheets/Display/Article/425437/hpsp-fact-sheet/>
  - <https://kx.afms.mil/kj/kx5/DentalContinuingEducation/Documents/Health%20Professions%20Scholarship%20Program.docx>
- **Medical Service Corps (Medical Administrators)**
  - <https://kx.afms.mil/mscutilizationandeducation>
- **Nurse Corps (NECP, Direct Nursing Commissioning)**
  - Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program (NECP) [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/30354](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/30354)
  - Direct Enlisted Commissioning [https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/30660](https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a_id/30660)
- **Chaplain Candidate** aka Religious Professional Scholarship Program (attend Seminary or Divinity School)
  - <http://www.afrc.af.mil/About-Us/Chaplain/Chaplain-Candidate/>

**\*\*Find a mentor and make sure you attend the commissioning briefs held at your base\*\***