

U.S. Air Force Academy

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Mission

The mission of the Air Force Academy is to inspire and develop young men and women to become Air Force officers with knowledge, character, and discipline; motivated to lead the world's greatest aerospace force in service to the nation.





Opportunity

4-year Military Academy

- Nationally-ranked College
- 32 Academic Majors
- \$400,000 value
- Well-rounded education
 - Academic
 - Athletic
 - Character
 - Leadership
- Commission as 2nd Lt
- Graduation with Bachelor of Science
- Wide-range of career opportunities
 - Pilot Training, Space Operations,





Class of 2016 Demographics

(as of June 29, 2012)



■ Applications:	12,274	Female	236
■ Candidates:	8,043	Hispanic	79
■ Qualified:	2,331	Black	81
■ Offers:	1,214	Asian	71
■ Acceptances:	1,035	Pac Islander	20
		Native Am	14



Historical Demographic Averages

- Appointments = 1,269
 - Gender
 - Female 22.6%
 - Male 77.4%
 - Ethnicity
 - All Minorities 27.3%
 - Hispanic 8.8%
 - American Ind/AK Native 1%
 - Asian Total 9.8%
 - Asian 8.0%
 - Nat. HI/Other Pac Island 1.8%
 - Black/African American 7.9%
 - White/non minority = 72.7%
 - Athletes 23.6%,
 - Medical Status
 - Pilot Qual = 52.5%
 - Nav Qual = 9.2%
 - Com Qual = 38.4 %
 - Prep = 14.1%
 - Family Income
 - < \$25K = 1.7%
 - \$25K – \$74.9K = 11.5%
 - \$75K – \$124.9K = 22%
 - \$125K - \$174.9K = 13%
 - > \$175K = 12%
 - Unknown/blank = 40%
 - Language (English as 2nd) = 4.1%
 - Bengali / Burmese / Chinese / Filipino / Japanese / Korean / Romanian / Spanish / Thai / Vietnamese
 - 1st Gen College = 16.4%
 - Single Parent Family = 11.0%
 - Prior Enlisted Service = 3.9%
- * Family Income/Lang/ 1st Gen/Sing Parent exclude USAFA Prep School due to change in categories and data collection limitations





Qualifications

Applicants must be:

- US Citizen
- 17-22 years old
- Unmarried, with no dependents

Competitive characteristics:

- High academic achievement
- Demonstrated leadership ability and potential
- Athletically skilled and physically fit
- High character and motivation





Nominations

Every candidate must receive a nomination from one of several sources:

- **Congressman**
- **Senator**
- **Vice-President**
- **Other “Nominating” source**
 - **Active-Duty, Guard, Reserve Airmen**
 - **JrROTC**
 - **Children of POW/MIA, Medal of Honor recipients**
- **Military dependents also eligible for Presidential Nomination**





Other Officer Accessions

- **ROTC (Air Force, Army, Navy)**
 - over 1,000 colleges and universities
 - Up to \$180,000 in tuition and benefits

- **Guard/Reserve**
 - tuition paid
 - career progression

- **Officer Candidate School**





Outreach

Admissions Liaison Officers

- Air Force Officers (Reservists, Active-Duty, Guardsmen, retired, prior-service, some civilians)
- Assigned to every school in the nation
- “Locate, Educate, Evaluate”
 - Find and motivate potential candidates
 - Educate them about Air Force opportunities and application process
 - Evaluate individual candidates (qualitative assessment)
- Assist candidates with selections process





Outreach

Your Role

- Tell your constituents that the military offers tremendous education and career opportunities
- Direct interested students to contact the Academy or their local Admissions Liaison Officer



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- Offer encouragement and letters of recommendation
- Visit the Air Force Academy and local college ROTC Detachments



Questions

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