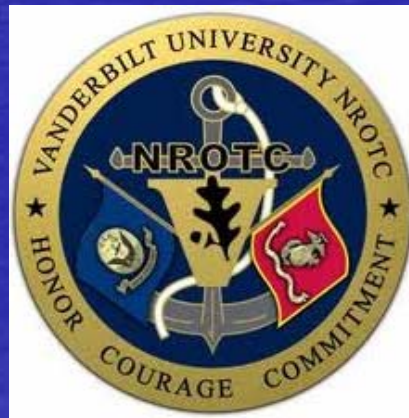




Naval ROTC at Vanderbilt University

A Passport to Success



What Is NROTC?



- NROTC stands for Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps.
- NROTC provides full college scholarships to many of the nation's top universities in exchange for military service.
- NROTC students or "midshipmen" live and attend class alongside non-ROTC students but also take an NROTC course each semester and receive weekly training.
- Midshipmen graduate with a valuable college degree; little or no debt; a guaranteed, exciting job; and admission to a network with a remarkable track record of success.
- At graduation, students are commissioned as United States Naval or Marine Corps Officers, with the opportunity to serve their country for five years.

How NROTC Works



- NROTC scholarships cover tuition, text books and fees for four years.
- During the academic year, midshipmen receive a monthly stipend which starts at \$250/month freshman year and grows to \$400/month by senior year.



How NROTC Works *(cont'd)*



- Although most choose majors in engineering, math, sciences, languages, or nursing, a student may consider the full spectrum of college majors.
- Upon graduation and commissioning, the student is guaranteed a job for a minimum of five years (four for nursing).



How NROTC Works *(cont'd)*



- Students gain valuable leadership skills from military science classes and weekly training during the school year.
- Summer training allow midshipmen to serve directly with Navy and Marine officers in a range of shipboard and overseas assignments.
- Uniforms are provided.

Why NROTC at Vanderbilt University?



- A NROTC scholarship at Vanderbilt University provides students with a free education at one of the top universities in the nation. Vanderbilt is ranked 17th in National Universities by *U.S. News & World Report*.
- NROTC scholarships at Vanderbilt are worth \$200,000. Beyond the NROTC scholarship provided by the U.S. Navy, Vanderbilt University provides all NROTC students \$6,000/year towards room and board.
- A Vanderbilt degree will continue to be an asset for NROTC students, long after their military service is completed.



Why NROTC at Vanderbilt University? *(cont'd)*



- Vanderbilt is one of only eight universities ranked in the “Top 20” with NROTC on campus; of these eight schools, only three have both Division I athletics as well as fraternities and sororities on campus. Vanderbilt’s credo is one of “study hard but enjoy your college experience.”
- NROTC is part and parcel of Vanderbilt’s campus life and culture—historically its unit has been one of the largest among elite universities and fully 5% of Vanderbilt’s living alumni are veterans.



Why NROTC at Vanderbilt University? *(cont'd)*



- With its roots in the South, Vanderbilt has always supported NROTC; applicants already selected for NROTC are given special consideration during the admissions process.
- Vanderbilt provides a welcoming experience for all its students. The beautiful campus is set amidst the vibrant city of Nashville, Tennessee. It is centrally located and easily reached.

Why NROTC at Vanderbilt University? *(cont'd)*



- Vanderbilt combines the resources of a major research university with a dedication to undergraduate education. Its 6,800 undergraduates enjoy a student-to-faculty ratio of 8:1, one of the nation's lowest.
- Vanderbilt, while highly competitive (*SAT mid 50% Critical Reading + Math: 1350-1520; ACT mid 50%: 30-34 Total*), provides a great environment for its students; 97% of first year students return for their second year.

Who can Apply?



All candidates for NROTC scholarships must meet the following basic requirements:

- Be a US citizen.
- Be at least 17 years of age by September of starting year and no older than 23 years of age by June 30th of the student's first year.
- Be 26 years or younger by June 30th of the planned year of graduation and commissioning.
- Have obtained a high school degree or equivalent certificate by August 1st of the year entering the NROTC program.



Who can Apply ? *(cont'd)*



- Meet all Navy physical qualification standards.
- Have less than 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of college credit upon application.
- Have no moral obligations or personal convictions that prevent conscientious bearing of arms and supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign or domestic.

Source: www.navy.com/navy/joining/education-opportunities/nrotc/

Tips for Getting Started



Applicants should start their process during the **second semester of junior year** in high school.

Step 1: Authorize the testing agency to release College Board scores directly to the NROTC scholarship program. Scores sent by the applicants or their high schools will not be accepted.

Note:

- ✓ Scores are only accepted from February 15th until December 31st.



Tips for Getting Started *(cont'd)*



Step 2: Fill out college applications; apply to at least **THREE** NROTC-affiliated schools or the NROTC application will not be reviewed. Remember, each school has a limited number of NROTC spots.

Tips:

- ✓ Let the NROTC units at your schools of choice know that you are applying for NROTC at their school. This contact will put you on their radar screen when they work with their school's admissions department.
- ✓ If you visit campus, try to schedule time with the Commanding Officer of the NROTC unit to introduce yourself. Also see if it is possible to spend time with one of the unit's midshipmen.
- ✓ Check if your schools of choice have an NROTC alumni association, and if so, contact a local representative for information and help.

Tips for Getting Started *(cont'd)*



Step 3: Make sure your application package is completed at your local processing center **at the latest by January 20th of senior year.** You are also responsible for ensuring that all official school transcripts and references are received by your local processing center by this deadline.

Tips:

- ✓ The earlier you submit your application, the better chance you have of gaining a slot at your first choice school.
- ✓ Candidates interested in attending Vanderbilt University, should, if possible, apply Early Decision (ED1 or ED2) to maximize their chances of being admitted.
- ✓ Candidates with completed application packages are reviewed by NROTC selection boards as early as August before senior year, although boards do continue to meet periodically through April of senior year.



Tips for Getting Started *(cont'd)*



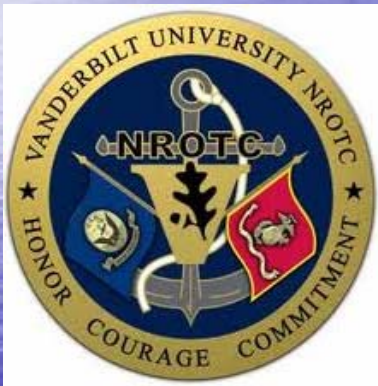
Step 4: Scholarship applicants are notified of their final results in writing after the selection board meets.

Step 5: After selection, a candidate will be contacted to undergo a physical to make sure they meet all Navy health requirements. At the start of the fall semester, if all physical qualifications are met, the student will be sworn in as a Midshipman.

Vanderbilt NROTC



For More Information



Vanderbilt NROTC website:
www.vanderbilt.edu/nrotc/

Vanderbilt NROTC Alumni website:
www.vanderbiltnrotc.com

United States Navy website:
www.navy.com/navy/joining/education-opportunities/nrotc/

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