



NROTC Commissioning Process

Using every option available to serve..

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The Application

- Go to: www.nrotc.navy.mil
 - Review requirements and begin process there
 - Recruiters will be in touch or you may initiate contact locally
- For the application:
 - Be VERY thorough
 - List EVERYTHING
 - Use remarks section to describe accomplishments
 - Make it easy to read: Clear and Concise.
 - You are converting your entire life onto sheets of paper
 - Does your application accurately describe you?



The Application, Cont'd

- Don't be daunted by the questions
- We look for the “Whole Candidate”
 - Academics
 - Athleticism
 - Character
 - Integrity
 - Citizenship
 - Passion for Service



The Application, Cont'd

- SAT Scores (or ACT equivalent)
 - 1375 Math/Verbal is average
 - Retake again and again and again
 - “Highest Multiple Score” chosen
 - SAT’s aren’t everything
- GPA
 - 3.85 is the average
 - GPA isn’t everything



The Application, Cont'd

- College Choices
 - Choose 5 universities with NROTC programs
 - NROTC doesn't get you accepted to your school
 - You must apply on your own!
 - It is possible to get the scholarship but not be granted admission to the school of your choice
 - Be prepared for this
- Majors
 - 85% must be “technical” – read about “Tiers”
- Marine Options DO NOT have Tiered Major Req's



Application – The Bottom Line

- Apply as early as possible. Why?
- If you do get the scholarship
 - NROTC units fill fast
 - You apply to the University early in their year
 - More time to resolve issues
- What if I don't get the scholarship...
 - More time to reapply
 - More opportunity to retake the SATs
 - More opportunity to bolster your record



What if I don't get it...

- Reapply!
 - Less than 30 sem hours or 45 quarter hours
- Join the NROTC College Program
 - Same eligibility rules apply
 - Cannot reapply for scholarship and join
 - Weigh your choices carefully
- Recommendation:
 - Reapply and if that doesn't work – join the CP
 - Talk to Unit for guidance on how to do this



Got it!

(What is “College Program?”)



The College Programmer

- Non-scholarship commissioning source
 - Still a Midshipman
 - Just NOT a 4-Year Scholarship Applicant
 - To commission, you must either earn a Scholarship or Advanced Standing Prior to Junior Year
- Scholarship opportunities for College Programmers
 - Called a “Side Load” scholarship – very competitive
 - Recycled national scholarships when available – not always
 - Usually awarded as 4, 3, or 2 year scholarships
 - CO must evaluate you for at least one semester and recommend
- Advanced Standing – approval to commission
 - Senior cruise and earn monthly stipend but no scholarship
 - You will graduate and commission like everyone else!



Other Routes to Commission

- US Naval Academy – MIDN may apply!
- OCS (Navy and Marines)
 - Requires 4-Year Bachelor's Degree
 - Process Managed by Naval Recruiting District (NRD) and Marine Recruiting Stations
 - Nuclear Propulsion Officer Candidate (NUPOC)—
Special Program to Navy OCS
- Platoon Leaders Course (PLC)
 - Marines Only
 - See Marine Recruiting Station Officer Selection Officer (OSO) for requirements



Questions?

