

AFROTC Requirements

1. Must be a US Citizen or within six months of earning a US citizenship.
2. Must be a freshman in college or have at least 3 years of undergraduate school remaining. You can complete the third year of the program as a graduate student if granted a waiver.
3. Must be physically fit and within height and weight standards.
 - i. The Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA) is administered every semester and consists of a waist measurement, 1.5 mile run, 1 minute of pushups, and 1 minute of sit ups.
 - ii. Height and weight standards are determined using the Body Mass Index (BMI) scale.
4. Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or greater for all college courses ever taken.
5. Must be able to complete the program before your 30th birthday.
 - i. This requirement can be pushed to your 35th birthday with a waiver.
 - ii. Pilot candidates must complete the program and start pilot training before their 29th birthday with no exceptions.
 - iii. Must pass the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT). Usually taken during your second year. Must pass in order to qualify for an enrollment allocation (field training).
 - iv. Must be able to qualify medically through the Department of Defense (DOD) Medical Evaluation Board.

In order to be competitive in the program and attend summer Field Training (FT), which is mandatory to commission as an Officer in the Air Force, students should have scores close to or greater than the following averages: Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater, SAT Score of 1100 or greater (Math and Verbal only)/ACT score of 25 or greater, & Physical Fitness Assessment Score of 90 or greater.

Application Process

Thank you for your interest in joining Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 560. To be considered for the second phase (interview) of the application process, please complete the Initial Screening Application.

The application process takes 3 simple steps:

1. Complete the Initial Screening Application
 - NOTE: this is NOT for high school students
 - High School Applicants who wish to apply for the High School Scholarship Program (HSSP), please apply by visiting www.afrotc.com
2. If you meet the pre-qualifications, you will be invited for an interview by the Recruiting Flight Commander (RFC).
3. After the interview, if accepted, you will receive a formal invitation to join our distinguished program.

You can find out more info on our [WPI AF ROTC Website](#) or visit AFROTC Website for lots of great info. I attached some details about the program specific to our organization. Also watch this Air Force Public Affairs video on what our program is all about.

Interview

After completing the pre-screen application, you will be contacted via email or phone for an in person interview. The interview itself will last about an hour and will be conducted by an Air Force Officer. Friends or family members may accompany you to the detachment. They may find out more about the AFROTC program, but will not be allowed to be with you during the personal interview session.

Your goal during the interview is to effectively communicate your desire to learn, grow, and contribute as a student and leader in college and AFROTC. We want to know what makes you deserving of being part of our detachment and how are you compatible for the lifestyle and training requirements of this commissioning program. Your evaluation during the interview can significantly impact your admission to the program.

Because the scholarship interview is one of the most important aspects of our selection process, here are some tips to help you prepare for it:

1. Arrive a few minutes early.
2. Dress appropriately, formal attire is not required.
3. Bring a resume and extracurricular activities sheet.
4. Be prepared to discuss your high school and college career and your accomplishments----don't make the interviewer pull information out of you. Remember that we know nothing about you and only have one hour to gather enough information to make a selection recommendation.
5. Don't be nervous----there are no "trick questions." The purpose of the interview is to evaluate your for selection to the program, not to test you, to put you on the spot, or to quiz you.
6. Ask questions if you have them----the interview is the perfect opportunity for you to learn more about the Air Force and about ROTC so you can determine if it is something you want to pursue.

Additional Interview Tips:

- DO arrive on time. If delayed in transit, call ahead to explain the delay. Arriving late without an explanation communicates that you don't consider the interview important.
- DO dress appropriately and professionally.
- DO think about what you'd like to see reflected in the officer's comments after the interview, and come prepared to discuss those things specifically.
- DO bring a résumé or evidence of achievements. A résumé is a key instrument reviewed by the board. I'm looking for Situations or Tasks you've been assigned, specific Actions, and most importantly, Results.

- DO be sincere and make good eye contact. I'll be asking straightforward questions, and I'll be looking for the same kind of answers.
- DO ask questions. If you knew everything I know about the scholarship or the Air Force, we probably wouldn't need to conduct an interview. When you ask questions, I get the impression you are ambitious, eager to learn, and ready for challenges - just the type of person we're looking for!
- DO practice an interview with your parents or a friend. If you practice talking about yourself a few times, it won't feel as awkward when you come to see me.
- DON'T make your parents set up the arrangements for the interview. They cannot stay with you through our discussion and it's important to demonstrate initiative and confidence on your own.
- DON'T sell yourself short by assuming something you've done wasn't significant. For example, I don't trust everyone in the neighborhood with my children, so if someone trusts you enough to leave their children in your care, it's significant.
- DON'T make me drag information out of you. I'll interview many students this year, and those who come prepared to sell themselves...without being cocky, will make a great impression and be remembered. Anticipate questions and tell me what you want me to know. This is a job interview!
- DON'T be afraid. An interview can be stressful, but I'm a human being and here to help you and the Air Force make smart decisions.