

UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY



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Dear Prospective Midshipman,

Welcome to the United States Naval Academy, the undergraduate college of our country's naval service. We are proud to be ranked by Forbes as the #1 public college in the US and are committed to continuing our strong legacy of preparing young men and women to become professional officers of competence, character, and compassion in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps.

Admission to the Naval Academy is highly competitive. We seek high achieving, well-rounded young people, like yourself, who exemplify the values, honor, and tradition of the Academy. As a student at the Academy, you will find numerous opportunities for extracurricular activities to complement the rich academic and physical training you will receive. All students who attend do so on a full scholarship. The Navy pays 100% of the tuition, room and board, medical and dental care costs of Naval Academy midshipman.

We understand that choosing a college is one of the most exciting, daunting and important decisions you will ever make. As you explore your options and begin the journey of navigating your future, we invite you to consider life as a midshipman. You should begin the process by completing a Preliminary Application in the spring of your junior year in high school. If you have any questions about the Academy or the application process, please do not hesitate to contact our Admission's Office.

For more detailed information concerning the Academy experience and the application process, please visit us on our new website at [www.usna.edu/Admissions](http://www.usna.edu/Admissions).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steph B Latta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

S.B. LATTA  
Dean of Admissions

OUR MISSION |



Since 1845, the United States Naval Academy's mission has been to develop Midshipmen into effective junior officers to serve as leaders of Sailors and Marines.

**MISSION:**

To develop Midshipmen morally, mentally, and physically and to imbue them with the highest ideals of duty, honor, and loyalty in order to graduate leaders who are dedicated to a career of naval service and have potential for future development in mind and character to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship, and government.

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## | ACADEMICS

**THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM** begins with a core curriculum that includes courses in engineering, science, mathematics and the humanities.

All graduates receive a Bachelor's of Science degree and are commissioned as officers in the Navy or Marine Corps.

The Naval Academy provides an excellent learning environment with a student to faculty ratio of 8:1. The faculty is comprised of an equal mix of civilian and military professors. All civilian professors hold a doctorate degree where military faculty members hold at least a Master's.

Ethical and moral development are essential to a Midshipman's education. No matter what Midshipmen do later in life, USNA sharpens their talents and provides experiences that prepare them for success as future leaders.



# MAJORS AT THE ACADEMY

ACADEMICS |



## **DIVISION OF ENGINEERING AND WEAPONS:**

Aerospace Engineering  
Electrical & Computer Engineering  
General Engineering  
Mechanical & Nuclear Engineering  
Naval Architecture & Ocean Engineering  
Weapons, Robotics, and Control Engineering

## **DIVISION OF MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE:**

Chemistry  
Computer Science  
Cyber Operations  
General Science  
Mathematics  
Oceanography  
Operations Research  
Physics  
Quantitative Economics  
Data Science

## **DIVISION OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES:**

Arabic  
Chinese  
English  
History  
Political Science  
Foreign Area Studies

## **INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

Midshipmen may study abroad for a semester at foreign military academies and civilian universities. Other opportunities during the summer include four to six week cultural and language immersion programs, as well as professional training abroad foreign navy gray hull or sailing ships.

*Minors in French, German, Spanish, Russian, Chinese, Arabic, and Japanese languages are also offered.*

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## | SPORTS

**THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY** offers 36 varsity sports, 15 club, and various intramural sports through one of the largest athletic programs in the nation. We pride ourselves in consistently being ranked as having one of the highest graduation rates of student athletes amongst all NCAA Division 1 schools.

### **ATHLETIC FACILITIES**

- Alumni Hall
- Brigade Sports Complex
- Glenn Warner Soccer Facility
- Golf Course
- Halsey Field House
- Hubbard Hall
- Ingram Field
- Lejeune Hall
- MacDonough Hall
- Max Bishop Stadium
- Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium
- Ricketts Hall
- Rip Miller Field
- Robert Crown Sailing Center
- Wesley Brown Field House





**MEN'S VARSITY SPORTS**

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Crew – Heavyweight
- Crew – Lightweight
- Cross-country
- Diving (co-ed)
- Football
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Lacrosse
- Rifle (co-ed)
- Sailing – intercollegiate (co-ed)
- Sailing – offshore (co-ed)
- Soccer
- Sprint Football
- Squash
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track & Field – Indoor
- Track & Field – Outdoor
- Volleyball
- Water Polo
- Wrestling

**CLUB SPORTS**

- Boxing (co-ed)
- Cycling (co-ed)
- Fencing (co-ed)
- Ice hockey
- Judo (co-ed)
- Karate (co-ed)
- Lacrosse
- Marathon (co-ed)
- Pistol (co-ed)
- Powerlifting (co-ed)
- Rugby
- Triathlon (co-ed)
- Volleyball
- Squash (co-ed)

**INTRAMURAL SPORTS (CO-ED)**

- Basketball
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Flag Football
- Racquetball
- Street Hockey
- Combat Fitness
- Volleyball
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Slow-pitch Softball

# MEN'S SPORTS



## | WOMEN'S SPORTS

### WOMEN'S VARSITY SPORTS

- Basketball
- Crew
- Cross-country
- Diving (co-ed)
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Rifle (co-ed)
- Sailing – Intercollegiate (co-ed)
- Sailing – Offshore (co-ed)
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track & field – Indoor
- Track & field – Outdoor
- Volleyball

### CLUB SPORTS

- Cycling (co-ed)
- Ice Hockey
- Karate (co-ed)
- Marathon (co-ed)
- Pistol (co-ed)
- Powerlifting (co-ed)
- Softball
- Boxing (co-ed)
- Fencing (co-ed)
- Judo (co-ed)
- Squash (co-ed)
- Triathlon (co-ed)
- Rugby



# WOMEN'S SPORTS

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES |



**MIDSHIPMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE ACTIVE** in one of the many Brigade support activities, extracurricular activities (ECA), religious ECAs, or midshipmen groups offered at the Academy. The Naval Academy offers midshipmen numerous options to make connections and participate in events that helps build their character and leadership capabilities. *This is not an all-inclusive list.*

### ACADEMIC

American Nuclear Society  
American Society of Naval  
Association of Computer Machinery  
Astronomy Club  
Chemistry  
Golden Key Honors Society  
Midshipmen Action Group  
M-STEM  
Model Rocketry, Navy  
Oceanography Club  
Phi Kappa Phi  
Phi Alpha Theta  
Pi Tau Sigma  
Society of American Military  
Engineers  
Society of Naval Architects & Marine  
Engineers  
Tau Beta Pi  
USNA Leadership Conference

### BRIGADE SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Color Guard  
Drum and Bugle Corps  
Navy Spirit  
Pipes and Drums  
Silent Drill Team  
Team Bill  
Yard Patrol Squadron

### COMPETITIVE

Fencing Club  
Forensics  
Martial Arts Club  
Paintball  
Shooting Club

### MILITARY PROFESSIONAL

Combat Arms Team  
Dolphin Club  
Infantry Skills Team  
Semper Fi  
Surface Navy Association  
The Training Team

### RECREATIONAL

Alpine Ski Team  
Body Building Team  
Combat Arms Team  
Equestrian Team  
Endurance Team  
ESports  
Flag Football  
Golf Club  
Jiu Jitsu Club  
Mountaineering Club  
Parachute Team  
Pickleball  
Scuba Club  
Taekwondo  
Ultimate Frisbee



## | MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES

**THE MUSICAL ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT IS** the primary source of fine arts opportunities for the Brigade of Midshipmen. For 153 of the Academy's 171- year history, musical activities have played an important role in the lives and development of Midshipmen who have found academic enrichment, leadership opportunities, enlightenment, inspiration, motivation, success, and camaraderie in its varied offerings.



### **CHORAL ENSEMBLES**

- Catholic Choir
- Men's Glee Club
- Women's Glee Club
- Gospel Choir
- Protestant Choir



### **INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES**

- Drum and Bugle Corps
- Pipes and Drums
- String Ensemble
- Trident Brass
- Orchestra



## FAITH COMMUNITIES |



**THE NAVAL ACADEMY EMBRACES FREEDOM** of religion in all that we do. The historic Naval Academy Chapel and Commodore Uriah P. Levy Center and Jewish Chapel are symbolic of the Academy's support of the spiritual needs of individual Midshipmen.

### **RELIGIOUS EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Young Life College  
Baptist Collegiate Ministry  
Catholic Midshipmen Club  
Catholic Daughters of America  
Fellowship of Christian Athletes  
Jewish Midshipmen Club  
Latter Day Saints Student Association  
Muslim Midshipmen Club  
Navigators  
Officer Christian Fellowship  
Protestant Midshipmen Club  
CRU  
Knights of Columbus  
Catholic Chapel Choir



## | HOW TO APPLY

### MEET THE BASIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. citizen of good moral character
- 17 but not older than 23 on Induction Day
- Unmarried
- Not pregnant
- No legal obligation to support a child or other dependents

### QUALIFY PHYSICALLY

All candidates must pass a standard Candidate Fitness Assessment (CFA)

- Coordination
- Strength
- Speed
- Agility

### QUALIFY ACADEMICALLY

Academic information to be evaluated:

- High school / college transcript
- Official test scores
- Extracurricular activities
- Athletics
- Four years of math
- Four years of English
- One year of history, chemistry, physics
- Two years of modern foreign language highly recommended

### QUALIFY MEDICALLY

All candidates are required to have a medical examination:

- Conditions may be identified which could either be aggravated by our rigorous program or restrict military service after graduation
- Visual acuity: 20/40, correctable to 20/20
- Waivers will automatically be considered for highly qualified candidates

### OBTAIN A NOMINATION

Candidates should apply to all sources for which they are eligible. Nominations must be obtained from an official source.

- U.S. Senators and Representatives
- Delegate from the District of Columbia
- Governor and/or resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico
- The President
- The Vice President
- Resident Representative from the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands
- Delegates to Congress of Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa
- Regular and Reserve Navy and Marine Corps
- Naval JROTC or other JROTC honor unit
- NROTC (Naval Reserve Officer's Training Corps)
- Children of deceased/disabled Veterans
- Children of POWs/MIAs
- Children of Medal of Honor Recipients

## SELECTION AND TUITION |



### SELECTION FOR APPOINTMENT

- On average, more than 16,000 students begin the application process
- Approximately 5,000 receive a nomination
- About 1,400 of the most qualified students will receive appointments
- Approximately 1,200 candidates will swear in on Induction Day

### TUITION

All Midshipmen receive a full four-year scholarship with:

- Paid room and board
- Medical/dental care
- Monthly salary of \$1,339.50

**IN RETURN, YOU AGREE TO SERVE** at least five years on active duty after graduation as an officer in the Navy or Marine Corps.



## | LEADERS TO SERVE THE NATION

	PLEBE SUMMER	FOURTH CLASS YEAR (FRESHMAN)	THIRD CLASS YEAR (SOPHOMORE)
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Validation exams</li> <li>• Academic counseling</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required courses: calculus, chemistry, leadership, literature, history, naval science, government</li> <li>• Decide major course of study</li> </ul>	Required courses: math, military ethics, navigation, history, physics; basic courses in major
<b>PROFESSIONAL TRAINING</b>	Military orientation: character development, seamanship, small arms, physical training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courses in naval science and leadership</li> <li>• Seminars on officer development</li> <li>• Hands-on experience with basic ship handling on board yard patrol craft</li> <li>• Indoctrination to Navy ships, aircraft, and military etiquette</li> </ul>	Leadership experience: Third-class cruise aboard a surface ship or submarine
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS</b>	Plebes are introduced to many of the 36 varsity sports, 15 club, and 15 intramural sports offered • Midshipmen choose a sport each season over the four years • Tests in physical readiness	Classes in boxing, wrestling, and swimming; physical readiness tests administered each semester	Instruction in martial arts and swimming; physical readiness tests are administered each semester
	SECOND CLASS YEAR (JUNIOR)	FIRST CLASS YEAR (SENIOR)	GRADUATION
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Required courses: electrical engineering, leadership and ethics, strategy and tactics, naval engineering, humanities elective; required courses for major	Required courses: law, officer practicum, weapons systems, naval engineering; required courses for major or special study programs	B.S. degree awarded in 25 subject areas: nine in engineering, ten in science and math, six in humanities and social sciences.
<b>PROFESSIONAL TRAINING</b>	Leadership experience: Second-class cruise training includes one week each of Marine, air, and submarine orientation	Leadership experience: Directs training and activities of the brigade, including holding all leadership positions during Plebe Summer • First-class cruise: 3-4 week fleet cruise in a junior officer role • Officer development seminars	Officer commissions as an ensign in the United States Navy or second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS</b>	Classes in swimming, martial arts and personal conditioning; physical readiness tests are administered each semester	Classes in personal conditioning and service selection specialty training; physical readiness tests are administered each semester	

## MIDSHIPMEN ATTRIBUTES |



**WE ACCOMPLISH OUR MISSION** by graduating Midshipmen who are warriors ready to meet the demands of a country at war or at peace. Our graduates are:

### **SELFLESS**

Selfless leaders who create an ethical command climate through their example of personal integrity and moral courage.

### **INSPIRATIONAL**

Mentally resilient and physically fit officers who inspire their team to accomplish the most challenging missions and are prepared to lead in combat.

### **PROFICIENT**

Technically and academically proficient professionals with a commitment to continual learning.

### **INNOVATIVE**

Critical thinkers and creative decision-makers with a bias for action.

### **ARTICULATE**

Effective communicators.

### **ADAPTABLE**

Adaptable individuals who understand and appreciate global and cross-cultural dynamics.

### **PROFESSIONAL**


Role models dedicated to the profession of arms, the traditions and values of the Naval Service and the constitutional foundation of the United States.



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