Airman Scholarship & Commissioning Program (ASCP)

OVERVIEW
The ASCP offers active duty Air Force enlisted personnel the opportunity to earn a commission while completing requirements for their degree. AFROTC awards scholarships valued at up to $18,000 per academic year. All ASCP scholarship recipients also receive a monthly stipend ranging from $300 - $500 and an annual textbook allowance of $900.

In addition, eligible cadets may use their GI Bill benefits. Both 2- and 4-year scholarships are available to qualified candidates in technical and non-technical degrees. The length of the scholarship is based upon the time needed to finish a degree as a full-time college student but the student must spend at least two years in college.

REQUIREMENTS
To qualify for the ASCP, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

• Be a U.S. citizen
• Have at least one year time in service (waiverable)
• Have at least one year time on station (waiverable)
• Be recommended by immediate commander
• Have at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average for graded college coursework (does not include DANTES, CLEP, or CCAF). If the member has no graded college coursework, he or she must have qualifying ACT/SAT scores (SAT – 1100 math/critical reading composite, ACT – 24)
• Be under 31 years of age on 31 December of the commissioning year to receive a scholarship
• Pass the Air Force Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA)
• Be world-wide qualified
• Have financial statements showing adequate financial resources to pay college living expenses and health care costs (E-3 and below)
• Not be selected for reassignment prior to application submission (waiverable)

SELECTION
ASCP selection boards consider applicants using the “whole person” concept. As part of the board process, applicants will be evaluated on their ability to put their packages together in the proper format in accordance with the ECP Package Checklist. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that the package is completed accurately and on time.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Waiver requests to HQ/AFROTC/RRUE must be postmarked NET 15 July and NLT 1 September of each year. Application packages must reach HQ AFROTC/RRUE NET 15 September and NLT 15 October each year. Late packages or late waiver requests will not be accepted and will be returned to the applicant.

REQUIRED FIELDS OF STUDY
The ASCP is open to all academic majors.

RELEASE FROM ACTIVE DUTY
Applicants selected for the ASCP will be released from active duty and will no longer receive active duty pay and benefits. They will be enlisted into the Air Force Reserve Obligated Reserve Section no earlier than 30 before classes start. After completing all degree and AFROTC requirements, they will be commissioned as Second Lieutenants and serve on active duty for a minimum of four years.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
For additional guidance, contact your base Education Office or refer to the Enlisted Commissioning Program website at: http://www.au.af.mil/au/holmcenter/AFROTC/EnlistedComm/ASCP.asp.