



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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Here's an idea: You learn to be a Healthcare Professional and the Air Force pays for it. Yes, you read right. If you want to work as a physician, dentist, nurse, nurse anesthetist or allied health professional, the Air Force has a very simple plan to help you achieve your goals in the healthcare industry. So, come join our team!

Sound too good to be true? Check out these facts.

### **THE SCHOLARSHIP**

Each year the Air Force awards scholarships through the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP). It pays for tuition, books and most fees. The HPSP also gives students a monthly stipend for living expenses while they attend the school of their choice. (Because the stipend amount increases from year to year, check with your local Health Professions Recruiter for the most current amount.)

Each student is commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Medical Service Corps and placed on inactive, obligated Reserve status during the course of their studies. This arrangement takes a huge financial worry off students' minds and allows them to dedicate time for learning.

### **YOUR AIR FORCE OBLIGATION**

Through the Air Force, these scholarships are offered for one-, two-, three-, and four-year terms. In exchange for the scholarship, your commitment to the Air Force is to serve as an active-duty member with a year-for-year repayment, with a minimum obligation of three years. Your tour of duty begins after you complete any internship and residency training requirements for your career field.

### **CLERKSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Some third- and fourth-year medical students have the opportunity to serve a clerkship at an Air Force medical center. These clerkship positions provide pre-clinical students the invaluable opportunity of learning the administrative aspects of Air Force medicine and the chance to work as a member of the military healthcare team.

Air Force medical providers are highly qualified, work with state-of-the-art equipment and are given an outstanding consultation network of both military and civilian counterparts.

### **JOB SATISFACTION**

Our patients are part of the unique military family. They're our nation's heroes and those of their families. We take great pride in caring for those who have dedicated their lives to this country. Each individual has his or her own unique story of military life and are more than willing to share their personal military experiences.

You'll meet a variety of Airmen, from all age groups, backgrounds and military ranks; from those who served in World War II, the Korean War, Vietnam, the Gulf War, other conflicts and in Afghanistan and Iraq. Where else would you have the opportunity to learn a part of history with each patient you encounter?

Another benefit of being an Air Force healthcare provider is the satisfaction of knowing you're able to give each patient the care they need without worrying about their ability to pay.

### **SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

To qualify for the HPSP, you must:

- be a U.S. citizen
- be accepted at an accredited graduate institution in an appropriate Health Professions training program

### **IF YOU'RE INTERESTED...**

Selection is very competitive, so get started on your application early. Contact your local Air Force Health Professions Recruiter.

You know what you want out of life and in it. You've worked hard to get to this point too. So why wait? Exciting new challenges and experiences can only make you better at what you do and what you can do. With an Air Force Health Professions Scholarship, you can make a difference in your career, with your life ... for your country.

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