Aviation Officer Candidate School Program

The basic requirements for selection to the Aviation Officer Candidate indoctrination and training for college graduates. The program will ultimately lead to an appointment on active duty as a Navy Ensign, designator 1310. Those selected will attend Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island, and will initially be commissioned as a Student Naval Aviator, designator 1390, and after commissioning they will attend the designator-specific training as prescribed by the Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) located in Pensacola, FL.

AOC Officer Qualifications

Applicants must be a citizen of the United States. Applicants must be at least 19 years old and not have passed their 27th birthday on commissioning. For applicants with prior active duty military service, waivers may be granted on a month-for-month basis up to 24 months for active duty served prior to their 27th birthday to a maximum age of 29. For applicants older than 27 at time of commissioning, waiver requests are possible.

Education

Applicants must possess a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from an accredited college or university. No restrictions on college majors, but degrees in technical disciplines are preferred.

A candidate may be enlisted prior to receiving a baccalaureate degree on condition that the candidate be able to attain a degree and begin OCS training with in the required 18 months.

Mental

The Aviation Selection Test Battery (ASTB) minimum score of a 4 Academic Qualification Rating (AQR) and a Pilot Flight Aptitude Rating (PFAR) of 5.

Physical Requirements

Applicants must be physically qualified and aeronautically adapted in accordance with the physical standards established by the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (CHBUMED). Active duty military members accepted as candidates must obtain an aviation physical exam from a qualified flight surgeon to
determine aeronautical adaptability. Candidates must meet the physical fitness weight and/or percentage of body fat standards at the time of application and at time of commissioning.

**Source of Naval Aviator Applicants**

Civilians who have not disenrolled previously from any military flight training program for reasons other than minor medical conditions which were temporarily disqualifying.

Enlisted members of Navy (active or reserve) who have not disenrolled previously from any military flight program.

Enlisted members of other branches of the armed services (active or reserve) who have not disenrolled previously from any military flight program. Additionally, these applicants must either be released conditionally from the parent branch or be authorized in writing by a cognizant official of the parent branch to apply for the program.

Officers or former officers of other branches of the armed services (active or reserve) are not eligible to apply for the Officer Candidate program under this program.

**Active Duty Obligation**

Candidates shall serve a minimum of eight years on active duty from the date of designation as a Naval Aviator (designator 1310). Candidates disenrolled from flight training prior to designation shall serve on active duty in accordance with MILPERSMAN 1540-010.

**Application Instructions:**

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**Disclaimer Information**

On October 13, 1775, the Continental Congress passed a resolution that gave birth to what has become the most powerful Navy the world has ever known. For the entire history of the United States Navy, men and women of strong moral character, courage and intelligence have been commissioned as officers in our Navy. Naval Officers use their leadership abilities and professional knowledge to inspire the best in others.

Members initially appointed to commissioned grade are so appointed by the President. Permanently commissioned officers in the active component in and above the grade of Lieutenant Commander, and reserve component officers in and above the grade of Captain are appointed by, and with the advice and consent of, the Senate. When the Senate is not in session, temporary and interim appointments are made, subject to Senate confirmation during the next session.