

Valparaiso University provides students with an opportunity to join either the Air Force or the Army ROTC through a partnership with the University of Notre Dame.

In exchange for a commitment to serve in the Air Force or Army, each student receives financial assistance to pay for tuition and expenses while going through officer training. Air Force and Army ROTC scholarships range in length, but can be awarded for up to four years. These scholarships pay up to full tuition for the Army Program and up to \$15,000 for the Air Force Program, plus all laboratories. Cadets are also given an annual stipend to purchase textbooks and incidental fees. Cadets also receive \$250-400 per month during the school year. After graduation – as an officer – you will enjoy a salary and a full range of benefits comparable to your civilian counterparts.

While attending college, you pursue an academic major of your choice. You take ROTC classes in addition to those required to achieve your degree. Normally, you will be expected to take one ROTC academic course along with a leadership laboratory each semester. Upon graduation and successful completion of the program, you will receive a commission in the Air Force or Army as a second lieutenant.

Following graduation, you will begin your military career in a career path which you will decide while you are still a student. Career specialties include the following choices:

**Air Force careers include:**

Engineers – Scientists: The Air Force has a critical need for first-rate engineers to maintain its aircraft and weapon systems, to work in research and development, and to work with complex communications or electronic systems, high-speed computers, etc.

Pilot or Navigator: Those who become pilots have varied responsibilities and enjoy unlimited flying opportunities in the aerospace age. Control of these complex and modern aircraft demand you meet tight standards of excellence during thorough training in multi-million dollar aircrafts.

More Career Fields: Additional opportunities exist, such as: intelligence, comptroller, contracting, management, education and training, legal, security police, logistics, personnel, space, and medical.

**Army careers include:**

Engineers – Scientists: The Army has opportunities for engineers in the Corps of Engineers, areas of communication specialists, and aviators.

Medical Field: The Army has great opportunities for doctors, nurses and other medical fields.

Foreign Languages: The Army has many opportunities for cadets who are majoring in foreign languages. These opportunities are mainly in the area of intelligence work.

More Careers Fields: The Army has a great variety of opportunities for cadets who major in many different areas of study. There are

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opportunities from transportation officers to procurement officers available  
to college graduates in many different majors.

## **Scholarship Information**

Type I – 4 year

- Full tuition/fees
- \$510 per year for books
- \$250 per month, non-taxable allowance during the school year

Type II – 4 year

- Up to \$15,000 per year for tuition and fees
- \$510 per year for books
- \$250 per month, non-taxable allowance during the school year\*

\*Type II upgrade to 80% of tuition costs based on college GPA

Note – Monthly stipend begins at \$250 freshman year and increases to \$400 by a student's senior year

## **Basic Eligibility**

- Become a US citizen prior to scholarship activation
- Be a high school graduate or have an equivalent certificate
- Have no previous full-time college credit (joint high school/college program acceptable)
- Complete fitness test prior to interview
- Take ACT or SAT college entrance exam
- Submit a Scholarship Application by 1 Dec of your senior year

## **Minimums**

- SAT Composite: 1100
- ACT Composite: 24
- GPA: 3.0