

U.S. SERVICE ACADEMIES



U.S. Military Academy at West Point
in West Point, New York, founded in 1802



U.S. Naval Academy
in Annapolis, Maryland, founded in 1845



U.S. Air Force Academy
in Colorado Springs, Colorado,
founded in 1954



U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
in Kings Point, New York,
founded in 1943



U.S. Coast Guard Academy
in New London, Connecticut, founded in 1876

Visit the academy of your choice online for each academy's particular qualifications.

To verify your member of congress go to
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The deadline to submit an application for a congressional nomination from the 52nd District is:

November 1st, 5PM



ADMISSIONS
TO THE U.S.
SERVICE
ACADEMIES

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION PROCESS



The United States service academies are federal academies for the undergraduate education and training of commissioned officers for the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marines.

NOMINATIONS

Applicants to all service academies, except the United States Coast Guard Academy, are required to obtain a nomination to the schools. Nominations must be made by your Congressional Representative, U.S. Senators, the Vice President, the President or from the secretary of your branch of service if on active duty. To apply for a Congressional Nomination from Representative Vargas, you must be a constituent of the 52nd District. To verify your Member of Congress, go to www.house.gov.

ADMISSIONS

The admissions process to the U.S. service academies is an extensive and very competitive process. The U.S. Military Academy, the U.S. Naval Academy, and the U.S. Air Force Academy all require an applicant to submit an on-line file and proceed through pre-candidate qualification before an application is provided by the academy.

All academies have an extremely competitive application process and are ranked annually among the most selective colleges and universities in America. The average acceptance rate, for each of these schools, is between 8-15 percent.

JUNIOR YEAR TASKS

Visit your preferred Academy's website to look for summer programs offered. You may also want to consider participating in extracurricular activities, including academic camps in Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics and/or sports camps.

JANUARY

Submit summer program application, if interested.

MARCH

Submit pre-candidate questionnaire online by going to the service academies designated website.

APRIL/MAY/JUNE

Schedule your SAT, ACT, or both. The academies will accept your highest individual section scores.

JULY/AUGUST

Prepare for the Candidate Fitness Assessment. Take your Medical Exam as soon as you are notified by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board. All applicants must meet medical standards prior to entrance to the Academy.

SENIOR YEAR TASKS

*Please note that application due dates vary from year to year.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Complete and submit nomination applications to all nominating sources where you qualify. Nominating sources include:

- ☑ **President:** may nominate children and legally adopted children of career officer and enlisted personnel of the armed forces, active or reserved component
- ☑ **Vice President:** authorized to nominate without geographical restrictions including U.S. citizens living abroad
- ☑ **U.S. Senator:** may nominate applicants from their entire state
- ☑ **U.S. Representative:** may nominate applicants domiciled in their districts
- ☑ **Secretary of the appropriate service:** may nominate active and reserve members of the appropriate component, and from ROTC and JROTC programs that have been designated as Honor Units with Distinction

NOVEMBER

Upon submitting a properly completed nomination application packet the candidate will be scheduled for an interview by Congressman Vargas's Academy Nominee Selection Board. Be sure to keep your application file at the academy up-to-date at all times.

DECEMBER

Congressman Vargas usually notifies candidates of their nomination prior to the end of December.

