

# HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



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- ★ Be enrolled in or have a letter of acceptance or intent from an accredited graduate program located in the United States or Puerto Rico.
- ★ Maintain full-time student status during the entire length of the program.
- ★ Qualify as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army Reserve.

## WHAT DOES THE SCHOLARSHIP PAY?

### 100 PERCENT TUITION!

The Army will pay full tuition at your school of choice. The Army picks up the tab. The HPSP is good at any accredited school in the United States or Puerto Rico.

### BOOKS, FEES AND MORE

Besides tuition, we also pay for your required books and health insurance required by your school, as well as most equipment and academic fees. Since the Army is paying for the major portion of your school expenses, you can afford to enroll at the school of your choice.

### MONTHLY ALLOWANCE

The Army also gives you a generous monthly stipend of more than \$2,000, adjusted each July, for 10 1/2 months of each school year. As the military pay scale increases, the monthly stipend also increases.

### OFFICER 'S PAY

The remaining six weeks of the year you'll receive Army officer's pay as a second lieutenant on active duty, while taking advantage of the training opportunities available at many of the Army's health care facilities.

The monthly stipend and active duty pay add up to a sizable financial package each year. That's in addition to full tuition and other financial assistance.

Plus, during your active duty time, you are afforded all the benefits of an active duty Army officer. If your academic program won't allow six weeks away from your school for active duty, you may be able to continue your studies on campus while you receive active duty pay and allowances.

## FULL TUITION, PLUS A MONTHLY STIPEND

The U.S. Army offers one of the most generous and comprehensive scholarships available in health care today. It's called the F. Edward Hébert Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP).

If you want to become a physician, dentist, veterinarian, optometrist, clinical or counseling psychologist, Family Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner or Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist and qualify, you could earn a full-tuition scholarship, plus a monthly stipend of more than \$2,000.

If you are planning a career in health care or are currently enrolled in a graduate health care program, it pays to look into the Army's HPSP – now more than ever before. It provides benefits while you're in school and benefits after you graduate. According to the American Medical Association, the average cost of four years of medical school has risen to more than \$250,000. Add to that your living expense, the start-up costs of opening your own practice once you become a physician, plus the rising cost of malpractice insurance and you can see why the Army HPSP is a wise choice.

## ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for the HPSP scholarship, you must:

- ★ Be a U.S. citizen with a baccalaureate degree from an accredited school.

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## PROMOTIONS

You'll be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army Reserve. After graduation and entrance on active duty, you'll be promoted to captain, which means more pay. Your salary will increase through the years with promotions, time-in-service and annual cost of living increases. You'll also receive a monthly non-taxable allowance for your food and housing.

## WHAT DOES THE ARMY EXPECT OF YOU?

### FULL-TIME STUDENT

While attending school, the Army expects the same of you that you expect of yourself - to be a dedicated full-time student, putting your best effort toward your studies. In that respect, you'll be the same as the other students in your classes.

### ARMY RESERVE OFFICER

You'll also be a second lieutenant in the Army Reserve. For 10 1/2 months of the year, being an officer won't require any of your time. But for six weeks each year, being an Army officer will be an important part of your professional education.

### ADDITIONAL TRAINING

After your first year of school and completion of the Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Basic Officer Leaders Course (BOLC), you'll have the opportunity to perform clinical rotations in Army health care facilities for up to six weeks each year during the next two years of school. This is part of your active duty training and all at the Army's expense as listed above.

You'll work with top Army health care professionals. You'll learn about Army health care firsthand and you'll get practical experience in your discipline while also earning 45 days of Army officer's pay.

For these six weeks, you can choose to train in an Army facility near your school. Or, you may choose to train at one of the Army's world-renowned medical centers, such as San Antonio Military Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, Hawaii, or Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Washington, D.C. and others. Either way, you'll be exposed to a health care system that excels at training people for rewarding careers in health care.

### YOUR SERVICE OBLIGATION

Your period of military service to the Army is a minimum of two years or one year for each year you receive the HPSP, whichever is longer. Your minimum period of service

on active duty depends on the health care field you choose.

For example, after completing internship training, the minimum period of active duty service for medical students is two years. For dental, clinical or counseling psychology, optometry and veterinary students, the minimum period of active duty service is three years.

For medical students, after you graduate from medical school and complete graduate medical education, you'll serve a minimum of two years as an active duty Army physician for up to two years of your scholarship participation. For each additional period up to a half year of your scholarship, you'll serve an additional half year. If you're among the best qualified who are selected to perform residency training in a military facility, you will also have a period of service of six months for each six months of training after internship completion. However, this period of service may be paid back at the same time as the period of service required for your scholarship. Unless the length of the training program exceeds the length of the scholarship, your total period of required active duty service will not increase. Your payback period begins when you are no longer in training. And, what about the Reserve service? Well, you can repay your Reserve service requirement while you are training on active duty in an Army residency or by remaining on active duty after completion of your active duty obligation.

Excellent programs in every specialty and most subspecialties of medicine are offered. If you are not selected for the Army First Year Graduate Medical Education (FYGME) program, your active duty service will be deferred while you complete your internship training in a civilian facility. The opportunity to obtain a deferment to complete a civilian residency is possible; however, such a delay is based on the current needs of the Army.

Once you graduate, you will become a member of one of the most comprehensive and dynamic health care organizations in the world - the Army Health Care Team. Its mission is to support America's Army, at home and abroad, serving over three million beneficiaries. You will practice in a family oriented environment and develop professional relationships and camaraderie seldom available in the private sector. You will become part of a long tradition of selfless service to our nation and its Soldiers and to the advancement of medicine. The Army Health Care Team is comprised of six corps: the Dental Corps, Medical Corps, Medical Service Corps, Medical Specialist Corps, Nurse Corps and Veterinary Corps, plus the enlisted technicians and civilian employees. Together they offer more diversity than just about any other health care system in the world.

## HOW TO APPLY

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