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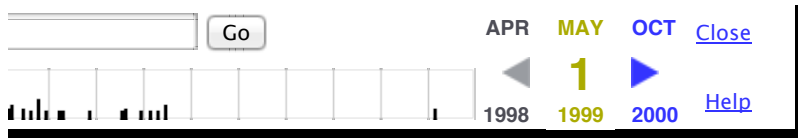
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ADMISSION

U.S. Navy officers interested in attending one of the curricula offered at the Naval Postgraduate School are referred to OPNAVINST 1520.23 and to the latest OPNAVNOTE 1520. These documents provide guidance, information and policy for the Navy's fully funded graduate education program.

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Selection Procedures

Naval Officers

Selection for the Navy fully funded graduate education program is based on outstanding professional performance, promotion potential and a strong academic background. Officers interested in this program should contact their assignment officer to determine **professional** qualification status; upon determination of academic qualification (by NAVPGSCOL), individuals are eligible for assignment. Officers who are professionally qualified, but lack academic qualifications, should contact the Director of Admissions for information on ways to improve their academic background.

Other U.S. Military Officers

Officers on duty with other branches of service are eligible to attend the Postgraduate School. Requests for admission or transcripts from individual officers should not be sent directly to the Naval Postgraduate School. They should apply in accordance with the directives promulgated by the Department of the Army, Department of the Air Force, Commandant U.S. Marine Corps or the Commandant U.S. Coast Guard, as appropriate.

International Students

Military officers and government civilian employees from other countries may be admitted to most curricula. The procedures for application are available from the Security Assistance Office or Defense Attache Office of the U.S. Embassy, the MLO, MAAG or ODC, as appropriate. Correspondence must be processed through official channels; requests from individual prospective students should not be sent directly to the School. All candidates must satisfy the curriculum academic standards, as described in this catalog. International candidates from non-English speaking countries will also be required to validate their fluency in English through the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Under the new Computer Based Testing (effective 1 July 98) a minimum TOEFL score of 207 is required for direct entry. If a candidate fails to achieve the 207 score, but does achieve a score of 173 or higher, he/she is eligible to attend the TOEFL Preparatory Academic Writing Course, MASL P177022 (16 weeks) at the Defense Language Institute in San Antonio, Texas. The only countries exempted from TOEFL testing are those countries who are exempted from all ECL testing requirements as determined by the Defense Security Assistance Agency (DSAA) MSG 131158Z MAR 98 (Antigua, Australia, Bahamas,

Barbados, Canada, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Malta, New Zealand, Singapore, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad, and the United Kingdom). When applying for a TOEFL exam, the NPS identification code is 4831.

Requests for admissions should be directed to the Director of International Programs, Code 035, Naval Postgraduate School, 699 Dyer Road, Room M5, Monterey, CA 93943-5108. Questions about available programs or admission procedures may be telephoned to (831) 656-2186 or e-mail: 035@nps.navy.mil.

Civilian Employees of U.S. Government

A civilian employee of an agency of the United States Federal Government may be admitted for study upon request and sponsorship of the agency. Federal civilian employees are not required to pursue the curricula designed for officer-students as described in this catalog but instead determine, with the guidance of assigned academic counselors, the combination of courses that will best meet their needs.

A civilian who is expecting agency sponsorship should submit a written request for evaluation for admission at least six months prior to expected commencement of studies. A request should indicate the desired curriculum and degree intentions and be accompanied by a complete set of official transcripts of all previous college work. GRE and/or GMAT scores are required for consideration for admission to any doctoral program.

Requests for admission should be directed to the Director of Admissions, Code 01B3, Naval Postgraduate School, 589 Dyer Rd., RM 103C, Monterey, CA 93943-5100. Questions about available programs or admission procedures may be telephoned to (831) 656-3093 or DSN 878-3093 or e-mail: grad-ed@nps.navy.mil.

Any civilian employee of the United States Government is eligible to participate in the programs of the School. The individual's employing agency is expected to meet the tuition expense for regular on-campus enrollment.

Programs available to civilian students can be classified as follows:

Regular Curricula:

The School's programs for officers are designed to meet the requirements of the services for specific education. The contents usually exceed the requirements for a graduate degree since the service's requirements, rather than degree requirements, determine the scope of each program. Civilian students may enter any curriculum at the point at which they are qualified and complete the curriculum along with regular officer students. The School Structure and Organization and the Curricular Offices sections describe the available curricula.

Degree Programs:

For civilian students, programs may be designed which lead to the award of a graduate degree while meeting the educational goals of each individual. In order to minimize the residency requirement, an off-campus preparatory program may be developed in consultation with a school advisor. If the available time in residence is insufficient to complete degree requirements, the thesis-project portion of the program may be completed off-campus.

Non-Degree Programs:

Civilian employees may desire to pursue a program for professional advancement without a degree objective. For groups of employees from an agency, special courses can be offered to meet particular requirements, provided the demand is in an area of expertise of the school.

Admission:

For admission to either a degree or a non-degree program, whether on-campus or by distance learning, the minimum

qualification is an accredited baccalaureate degree with appropriate preparation for the proposed program. The school will require submission of official transcripts covering all college work completed to date.

CATALOGS

The point of contact for requests for Naval Postgraduate School Catalogs and admission to resident study programs and admission to all degree programs is:

Director of Admissions
Code 01B3, Naval Postgraduate School,
589 Dyer Rd., RM 103C
Monterey, CA 93943-5100
Telephone (831) 656-3093 / DSN 878-3093

The point of contact for requests for catalogs and admissions for international students is:

Director of International Programs
Code 035, Naval Postgraduate School,
699 Dyer Rd., RM M5
Monterey, CA 93943-5108
Telephone (831) 656-2186 / DSN 878-2186 / FAX (831) 656-3064

Academic Profile Codes

The Academic Profile Code (APC) is a three-digit code which summarizes pertinent portions of an officer's prior college performance. The Naval Postgraduate School routinely generates APCs for officers of most Navy communities, usually within three years of commissioning. The three independent digits reflect an individual's cumulative grade-point average (QPR), exposure to and performance in calculus-related mathematics courses and exposure to and performance in selected science/engineering areas.

First Digit

The first digit indicates overall academic performance and is derived from the following table:

Code	QPR Range
0	3.60-4.00
1	3.20-3.59
2	2.60-3.19
3	2.20-2.59
4	1.90-2.19
5	0.00 -1.89

(Failures and repeated courses are included in the QPR calculation.)

Second Digit

The second digit represents mathematical background according to the following criteria

Code	Meaning
0	Significant post-calculus math with B or better average (Math Major or strong Math Minor)
1	Calculus sequence completed with B+ or better average

2	Calculus sequence completed with average between C+ and B
3	At least one calculus course with C or better
4	Two or more pre-calculus courses with B or better average
5	At least one pre-calculus with C or better grade
6	No college level calculus or pre-calculus math with a grade of C or better

Third Digit

The third digit represents previous course coverage in science and technical fields.

Code Meaning

0	Significant pertinent upper-division technical courses with B+ or better average
1	Significant pertinent upper-division technical courses average between C+ and B
2	Complete calculus-based physics sequence with B+ or better average
3	Complete calculus-based physics sequence with average between C+ and B
4	At least one calculus-based physics course with C or better grade
5	No pertinent technical courses

A first digit code of 0, 1, 2, or 3 (as appropriate) will be assigned only if transcripts provided exhibit at least one hundred semester hours or one hundred fifty quarter hours of actual graded classroom instruction. Grades of Pass/Fail, Credit/No Credit will not count toward the 100/150 hour requirement.

A technical code of 1 or 0 ordinarily is assigned only to an officer whose undergraduate major was Physics, Aeronautical, Electrical, Mechanical or Naval Engineering, or whose undergraduate technical major is consistent with the officer's designator.

Example

An APC of 221 indicates a total grade point average for all college courses in the interval 2.60-3.19, a complete sequence in calculus-of-one-variable with a C+ or B average and a major in physics or pertinent engineering area with upper-division courses with a C+ or B average.

Threshold

Each curriculum at the Naval Postgraduate School has a specified threshold APC for admission. A list of these is given in the NPS Curricula Summary section. Officers with deficient APCs may qualify for entry into these curricula by completing suitable courses at any accredited civilian college. Transcripts (not grade reports) of work done at civilian schools must be forwarded to the Director of Admissions, Code 01B3, Naval Postgraduate School, 589 Dyer Rd., RM 103C, Monterey, CA 93943-5100, to effect an APC change. The grades in all courses completed will be used to revise an officer's QPR.

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