

Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship

The GRFD program is designed for cadets who are interested in obtaining a commission in the U.S. Army Reserves or Army National Guard with a guarantee for a Reserve Component (RC) assignment. Scholarships cover full tuition and mandatory fees or room and board up to \$10,000 and range in length up to three years.

Scholarship awardees also receive a book allowance and a monthly stipend based on their academic year. GRFD Cadets also receive weekend drill and annual training pay as participants in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) which means they will attend a Battle Training Assembly (BTA) one weekend per month and a two-week annual training.

Basic Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen or a U.S. National
- Be at least 17 years of age within the first semester of the year of enrollment as a scholarship Cadet
- Be under 31 years of age on December 31 of the calendar year in which eligible for appointment as a second lieutenant
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Score a minimum of 920 on the SAT and 19 on the ACT
- Satisfactory explain any record of arrest and/or civil conviction
- Have no moral or personal conviction against bearing arms or supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States
- Must complete the ROTC Basic Course (MS1&2), Basic Training or LTC
- Must be willing to participate in the SMP program with a Guard or Reserve unit. If you do not belong to a unit, you must obtain a letter of acceptance to the unit, stating that they will accept you as a SMP cadet
- Must be medically qualified

Military Obligation

- If you are selected for a GRFD scholarship, you are required to sign a GRFD contract, guaranteeing service in the U.S. Army Reserve or Army National Guard upon commissioning
- Serve eight years in an Army Reserve or National Guard unit. Terms of obligation begins at time of commissioning
- Serve as a SMP Cadet in the unit of your choice with an available SMP slot.

- Attend the five-week Leadership Development and Assessment Course (LDAC): Warrior Forge between the Junior and Senior academic year of school
- Accept a commission to serve in the Army Reserve or Army National Guard upon graduation and commissioning

Scholarship Types

Two-Year GRFD Scholarship: This program consists of a two-year undergraduate or two-year graduate degree scholarship. Cadets that elect to apply for and receive this two-year GRFD scholarship must know they will be commissioned into the Reserves – either the USAR or ARNG. This is based on needs of the reserve forces. This scholarship is unique in that soldiers in the USAR or ARNG are allowed to use GI Bill benefits and State TA (ARNG) in conjunction with this two-year scholarship option.

GRFD

- Up to two years.
- Must SMP w/ USAR or ARNG. Paid at the rank of E-5, approximately \$250 per month, unless already in the USAR or ARNG and holds a rank higher than E-5.
- Must serve with the Army Reserve or National Guard after commission.
- Pays full tuition or pays room and board (Room and board \$10,000 max per year).
- All scholarships come with a \$1,200 per year book allowance paid directly to the student.
- Cadets are also paid a monthly stipend in the following amounts: \$450 for the junior year and \$500 for the senior year.
- Non-revocable (Only MJC cadets may request revocation).
- Can use any GI Bill with the GRFD scholarship.
- If eligible for Chapter 1606 Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) the student may qualify for an additional \$350 per month MGIB "SMP" kicker.

Two, Two and a half, 2AD, three, and 3AD Year Dedicated Scholarship

These scholarships guarantee that commissioned cadets serve in a specific component. The dedicated scholarship is available for up to three years. All Dedicated scholarship students must participate in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) with an identified unit while in school. Advanced designee (AD) means that the potential participant will pay for either one or two years of school themselves and then ROTC will contract them and pay for the remaining as long as the Cadet meets eligibility.

Dedicated Army National Guard (DEDARNG)

- Army National Guard only
- Up to three years.
- Must SMP w/ ARNG. Paid at the rank of E-5, approximately \$250 per month, unless already in the ARNG and holds a rank higher than E-5.
- Must serve with the Army National Guard after commission
- Pays Full Tuition or pays room and board (R and B \$10,000 max per year).
- All scholarships come with a \$1,200 per year book allowance paid directly to the student.
- Cadets are also paid a monthly stipend in the following amounts: \$350 for the sophomore year, \$450 for the junior year and \$500 for the senior year.
- Non-revocable.
- Cannot use with Chapter 1606/1607, but may use Chapter 30/33

Dedicated Army Reserve (DEDUSAR)

- USAR only.
- Up to three years.
- Must SMP w/ USAR. Paid at the rank of E-5, approximately \$250 per month, unless already in the USAR and holds a rank higher than E-5.
- Must serve with the USAR after commission.
- Pays full tuition or pays Room and Board (RandB \$10,000 max per year).
- All scholarships come with a \$1,200 per year book allowance paid directly to the student.
- Cadets are also paid a monthly stipend in the following amounts: \$350 for the sophomore year, \$450 for the junior year and \$500 for the senior year.
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For more information please contact the Recruiting Officer at UCO's Army ROTC Program, (405) 974-5166/5167 or email us at ArmyROTC@uco.edu.