



NAVY HEALTH CARE

The US Navy Health Services Collegiate Program For Social Work Clinical Study

If you hold a Masters Degree in Social Work from a graduate school of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) and graduated with a GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale you are educationally qualified to apply for the Health Services Collegiate Program for Social Work Clinical Study.

The Health Services Collegiate Program (HSCP) can provide significant financial assistance while you obtain your clinical experience so you can concentrate on your studies. This program also places you at one of the following clinical sites.

- Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, MD *
- National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, MD*
- Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, FL
- Naval Hospital Portsmouth, VA

* If selected for a rotation in Maryland the applicant must pass their Maryland LGSW before they can enlist in the program (but not before they apply because applicant may not be selected for Maryland).

The value of this program could be \$ 127,200* for a maximum of 27 months of participation. After graduation, you'll join the Navy's active duty team as a commissioned health care officer at the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade and be a member of the Medical Service Corps.

What are the financial benefits of this program?

- Earn over \$127,200 for 27 months *.
- Receive the pay and benefits of an active duty person with the rank of E-6 (currently about \$4100/month)*.
- Have an opportunity to be promoted to E-7 and increase your monthly pay (currently about \$4600/month)*.
- Full medical and dental insurance covered for you and your immediate family.
- 30 days of vacation earned each year.
- Time in the program counts towards your retirement and pay status.

* Navy HSCP housing allowance based on graduate school location. Increased offer amounts available in areas with a higher cost of living. These numbers are based on the 2010 military pay tables and are subject to change at the discretion of congress. The above pay examples are based on Baltimore MD. Pay may fluctuate depending upon your actual location.

What does it take to qualify for this program?

1. Have a Masters Degree in Social Work from a graduate school of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
2. Be a U. S. citizen and physically qualified for commission as a Navy officer.
3. Have a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to get accepted and maintain a 2.5 GPA while in the program.

How will I become orientated as a Naval Officer?

To familiarize you with the Navy and prepare you for active duty, you'll attend Officer Development School (ODS) at Newport, RI. Here is a link to the ODS website: <http://www1.netc.navy.mil/nstc/otc/ods.asp>

What will my service obligation be if I am accepted into the program?

1. Be in contact with a recruiter twice monthly via phone or email while in school.
2. Visit a recruiting station close to you in person once every two months while in school.
3. Must participate in the Physical Readiness Program every 6 months while in school.
4. Selectees will participate in the command's urinalysis program
5. Attend ODS prior to reporting to your first permanent duty station.
6. Serve one year of active duty in a non-training status for each year of program participation with a minimum of three years on active duty.

When to Apply

Application packages will go before the selection board May/June 2011 for an Aug/Sep 2011 start. All applicants will be pro-boarded then pooled and selections will be made from the pool. Due to the length of time needed to compile an Officer Application Package a minimum of three months is needed to complete the kit and submit it. Please call your local healthcare officer recruiter now as certain anomalies can greatly increase the time needed to apply. This program is competitive and first come first serve. If interested please contact your local recruiter as soon as possible to increase your chances at selection.

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