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Academic Year (AY) 2021-2022

Minuteman (MM) Guaranteed Reserve

Forces Duty (GRFD) Brief

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Agenda



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Mission



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United States Army Cadet Command (USACC) conducts the 7th Annual Reserve Component Minuteman Scholarship Program to award GRFD scholarships in order to shape each mission set, ensure objectives are met for all three components, and foster cooperation between Brigades, State Adjutants Generals (TAG) (ARNG), Army Reserve Major Subordinate Commands (USAR) (MSC), Civilian Aides to Secretary of the Army (CASA) and Army Reserve Ambassadors (ARA).



End State



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USACC is poised to offer Minuteman GRFD scholarships to the maximum amount of qualified ARNG and USAR candidates to build a strong ARNG and USAR officer corps and achieve the annual ROTC officer accession missions.



TAG Scholarship Allocations



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The Adjutant General of the Virgin Islands National Guard currently has six (6) nominations:

- Three (3) - four (4)-year scholarships
- Three (3) - three (3)-year Advanced Designee (3AD) for new freshman entering college

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CASA Scholarship Allocations



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**The Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army (CASA)
of the Virgin Islands currently has two (2)
nominations:**

- One (1) - four (4)-year scholarships
- One (1) - three (3)-year Advanced Designee (3AD) for new freshman entering college



Eligibility Requirements



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Age/Citizenship

- U.S. Citizen (natural born or US naturalized)
- Between the ages of 17-30
(Cannot turn age 31 by 31 December of commissioning year)

Medical/Physical Fitness Test

- Valid MEPS physical for enlistment
- DoDMERB physical for ROTC “scheduled” for scholarship offer and completed DoDMERB to contract with ROTC
- Pass a physical fitness test
- Be in compliance with AR 600-9 Army body composition standards



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Education Requirements

- Official College / University acceptance letter
- 4YR and 3AD Scholarship applicants require: **2.5 High School GPA, 1000 SAT or 19 ACT**
- Once contracted maintain **2.0 College GPA**

Service Obligation

- Currently in ARNG/USAR or **eligible to enlist**
- Participate in Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP)
- Once commissioned, 8 year service obligation actively drilling in designated component



Disqualifiers



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- Personnel currently enrolled in the ROTC program are not authorized to receive MM nominations
- Nursing majors not authorized to receive MM nominations



Scholarship Packet



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Minuteman Scholarship Packet Requirements:

1. Nomination Memo (TAG/CASA)
2. Resume/Biography
3. Short essay “Why you want to become an officer?”
4. High school transcripts
5. SAT / ACT Score Form (1000 SAT / 19 ACT minimum)
6. Nomination turned into the Virgin Islands National Guard by **30 July 2021**



Summary GRFD Scholarship Benefits



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A GRFD contracted scholarship Cadet can earn:

- Full Tuition/Fees **or** Room/Board (\$10K per year)
- **\$1200** a year book stipend
- ROTC Cadet stipend each month **\$420**
- Earn E-5 drill pay upon SMP contracting
- CH 30/33 if eligible
- State Tuition option (ARNG) (varies state to state)



Questions



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