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SUBJ/ACADEMIC YEAR 2020 AND 2021 FLEET SCHOLAR EDUCATION PROGRAM (FSEP) //
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2. EDUCATION IS OUR NAVY'S STRATEGIC INVESTMENT TO ENHANCE THE WARFIGHTING EFFECTIVENESS AND CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS OF OUR CAREER OFFICERS. FSEP PROVIDES A RICH AND UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE QUALITY, RELEVANT, AND DIVERSE EDUCATION TO OUR MOST TALENTED NAVAL AVIATION OFFICERS. FSEP ALLOWS COMNAVAIRFOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO REWARD AND RETAIN TOP PERFORMING CAREER-MINDED OFFICERS. SELECTEES WILL ATTEND THE SCHOOL OF THEIR CHOICE IN RESIDENCE, IN THE FIELD THEY CHOOSE, FOR UP TO 24 MONTHS.
3. ELIGIBILITY AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR ACTIVE DUTY OFFICERS IN AY-20/21 PER REF A:
A. WHILE THE FSEP PROGRAM IS NOMINALLY FOR O-3 AND JUNIOR O-4 AVIATION 1310 AND 1320 OFFICERS IN YEAR GROUPS 2009 AND JUNIOR WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN SELECTED TO SERVE AS AN AVIATION DEPARTMENT HEAD, CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO CAREER MINDED O-4S WHO WILL COMPLETE OR HAVE COMPLETED AN OPERATIONAL DEPARTMENT HEAD TOUR. WEAPONS AND TACTICS INSTRUCTORS (WTI) ARE ONLY ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IF THEY HAVE COMPLETED OR WILL COMPLETE THEIR WTI GREMAIN PRIOR TO PROGRAM COMMENCEMENT.
B. OFFICERS WHO HAVE RECEIVED FULLY FUNDED GRADUATE EDUCATION ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE GRADUATE DEGREES
OBTAINED THROUGH POST 9-11 G.I. BILL, TUITION ASSISTANCE, NAVY COLLEGE PROGRAM FOR AFLOAT COLLEGE EDUCATION (NCPACE), OR SERVICE AND JOINT COLLEGES. OFFICERS THAT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE GRADUATE EDUCATION VOUCHER PROGRAM ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

C. AVIATION OFFICERS WHO SUBMITTED LATERAL TRANSFER PACKAGES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION. OFFICERS BEING CONSIDERED MUST ACCEPT COMMUNITY SERVICE OBLIGATION WITH SELECTION TO FSEP GRADUATE EDUCATION PROGRAM.

D. FSEP SELECTEES WILL AGREE TO REMAIN ON ACTIVE DUTY FOR THREE YEARS UPON GRADUATION OR WITHDRAWAL FROM THE PROGRAM. A MEMBER WHO VOLUNTARILY, OR THROUGH MISCONDUCT, FAILS TO COMPLETE THE ACTIVE DUTY TIME WILL BE REQUIRED TO REIMBURSE THE COST OF THE EDUCATION RECEIVED, PRORATED FOR THE OBLIGATED TIME SERVED.

4. APPLICANTS MUST:
A. COMPLETE AN APPLICATION PACKAGE VIA THEIR COMMANDING OFFICER CONTAINING:
(1) APPLICATION LETTER INCLUDING LIST OF TOP THREE DESIRED SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS.
(2) HIGHWATER COMPETITIVE FITREPS FROM EACH OPERATIONAL TOUR.
(3) UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE TRANSCRIPTS (IF APPLICABLE).
(4) OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH.
(5) COMMANDING OFFICER ENDORSEMENT.
(6) ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (DESIRED, NOT REQUIRED).
(7) GMAT OR GRE TEST SCORES (DESIRED, NOT REQUIRED).
(8) NOTIFICATION LETTERS FROM SCHOOLS TO WHICH THE APPLICANT WAS ALREADY ACCEPTED (IF APPLICABLE).


C. UPON PROGRAM SELECTION, THE PRIMARY SELECTEES HAVE SEVEN WORKING DAYS TO ACCEPT OR DECLINE PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM. A NON-RESPONSE WILL BE TREATED AS A DECLINE FOR PARTICIPATION. ANY TIME THEREAFTER, SELECTEE-INITIATED REQUESTS TO DECLINE AN ASSIGNMENT WILL BE REVIEWED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. MAKE NOTIFICATIONS TO PERS-432D, LCDR MATTHEW PRATT (MATTHEW.G.PRATT(AT)NAVY.MIL, (901)874-3950).

D. CONSULT THE NAVADMIN MESSAGE APPLICABLE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR IN WHICH SELECTION IS DESIRED FOR PROGRAM DETAILS.

5. PERS-43 WILL:
A. SERVE AS FLEET POC FOR COLLECTION OF ALL PROGRAM APPLICATIONS.
B. SCREEN THE OFFICER APPLICANTS FOR STRENGTH OF RECORD AND CAREER IMPACT AND SUBMIT THE RECOMMENDED LIST OF PRIMARY AND ALTERNATE CANDIDATES TO COMNAVAIRFOR FOR FINAL SELECTION AND APPROVAL.
C. ENSURE OFFICERS RETURNING TO THE FLEET FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF FSEP ARE DETAILED TO COMPETITIVE ASSIGNMENTS FOR FURTHER CAREER PROGRESSION.
6. COMNAVAIRFOR WILL:
A. SOLICIT NOMINATIONS FROM SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS AND COMMANDING OFFICERS.
B. SELECT ONE PERSON AND AT LEAST ONE ALTERNATE TO FILL EACH OF THE SEVEN AVIATION ASSIGNED FSEP QUOTAS.

7. FOLLOWING PROGRAM SELECTION, FSEP CANDIDATES MUST:
A. APPLY TO AT LEAST THREE GRADUATE EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS OF THEIR CHOICE. PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR UP TO THREE APPLICATION FEES AND THREE TRANSCRIPT FEES. STARTING ENROLLMENT AND PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION ORDERS WILL BE FOR THE FALL TERM START (BETWEEN JULY 2020 ? JANUARY 2021), BUT NO EARLIER THAN 1 JULY 2020.
B. BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MEETING CHOSEN SCHOOL(S) ADMISSION STANDARDS, APPLICATION DEADLINES, AND ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS WHICH COULD VARY BY DEPARTMENT AND DEGREE PROGRAM. SELECTEE MUST ENSURE SELECTED CURRICULUM IS AN IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM. DISTANCE LEARNING, EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, PART-TIME PROGRAMS, MEDICAL AND LEGAL EDUCATION ARE NOT AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS PROGRAM. APPLICANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO NOTIFY FSEP POINT OF CONTACT (POC) LCDR MATTHEW PRATT (MATTHEW.G.PRATT(AT)NAVY.MIL, (901)874-3950) AND CIVINS POC MR. MIKE RUFF (MDRUFF(AT)NPS.EDU, (831)656-2417) WHEN ACCEPTED INTO DESIRED SCHOOL.
C. PROVIDE EDUCATION PLAN (ED PLAN) FOUND IN REF D TO NPS CIVINS OFFICE FOR REVIEW. ED PLANS WILL BE SUBMITTED UPON INITIAL NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE FROM THE SCHOOL. SELECTEES MUST MAINTAIN FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT AS DEFINED BY THE SCHOOL?S CURRICULUM. IN THE CASE WHERE A GRADUATE PROGRAM DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR SUMMER ENROLLMENT, SELECTEES WILL SCHEDULE THESIS/CAPSTONE, PROJECT/RESEARCH, AND INTERNSHIP FOR THE EQUIVALENT OF FULL TIME STATUS FOR THIS TIME.
D. CONSULT THE CIVINS OFFICE FOR ANY REQUESTED CHANGES IN APPROVED ED PLAN. ANY DESIRED CHANGES TO COURSE ENROLLMENTS, CURRICULA, AND DEGREE NEED PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE CIVINS OFFICE. FSEP SELECTEES MUST IMMEDIATELY REPORT ACADEMIC PROBATION AND FAILING COURSE WORK TO NPS CIVINS OFFICE.
E. BE FAMILIAR AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS PROVIDED IN REF E. FSEP SELECTEES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FOLLOWING THIS GUIDANCE AND WHERE THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR CONFLICT, CONTACT THE NPS CIVINS OFFICE.
F. IN ACCORDANCE WITH FSEP DIRECTIVES, THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT FOR FSEP FUNDED DEGREES TO MEET THE EDUCATIONAL SKILL REQUIREMENTS OF A NAVY SUBSPECIALTY CODE (SSC). FSEP SELECTEES ARE NOT LIMITED TO ONLY SSC-AWARDING CURRICULA. HOWEVER, EARNING A SSC IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED, CAN ENHANCE FUTURE BILLET ASSIGNMENT OPPORTUNITIES, AND STRENGTHEN OFFICER SKILL COMPETENCIES SPECIFICALLY VALUED BY THE NAVY. ALL FSEP SELECTEES WILL PROVIDE A REVIEW OF THEIR ELECTRONIC SERVICE RECORD ALONGSIDE THEIR COURSE WORK FOR REVIEW BY THE CIVINS OFFICE AND SSC SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT(S) WITH THEIR ED PLAN PER REF D. THE LISTS OF SSCS AND CORRESPONDING ESRS ARE FOUND HERE: HTTP://WWW.NPS.EDU/ACADEMICS/SUBSPECIALTY-CODES.HTML, IN AN EFFORT
TO IDENTIFY A SSC THAT MOST CLOSELY ALIGNS WITH THE SELECTEE’S PROPOSED AREA OF STUDY AND COURSES.

G. FSEP SELECTEES AND STUDENTS MUST MAINTAIN THE HIGH LEVEL OF PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE, BEARING, AND POTENTIAL WHICH RESULTED IN THEIR SELECTION. FSEP MISCONDUCT, DECLINE IN PERFORMANCE, OR FAILURE TO SELECT FOR PROMOTION TO THE NEXT GRADE SHALL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE REVIEW TO DETERMINE IF TERMINATION OF THE EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY IS WARRANTED.

H. REMAIN IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE ACADEMIC INSTITUTION.

I. IAW REF D, BE ASSIGNED ADMINISTRATIVELY TO THE APPROPRIATE SUPPORT ELEMENT NEAREST TO SCHOOL (ROTC, NOSC, PSA).

8. TIMELINE:
   A. 31 AUG 2019: APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR FLEET APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO PERS-43.
   B. 5 OCT 2019: DEADLINE FOR PERS-43 TO SUBMIT FINAL LIST OF CANDIDATES TO CNAF FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.
   C. 31 OCT 2019: NLT DATE FOR CNAF TO INFORM OPNAV OF AY-19/20 AVIATION FSEP SELECTEES AND ALTERNATES.

9. PERS-43 FSEP POINT OF CONTACT: LCDR MATTHEW PRATT, PERS-432D, (901)874-3950/DSN 882, OR VIA E-MAIL AT MATTHEW.G.PRATT(AT)NAVY.MIL.

11. THIS MESSAGE IS CANCELLED FOR RECORD PURPOSES ON 31 JANUARY 2020.

12. WE FLY, WE FIGHT, WE LEAD...WE WIN. AIR BOSS SENDS.//
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