

2012 NALP Conference






*The JAG Corps --
Legal Career Opportunities*



Introductions

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JAG Corps General Information

Service	General Information
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1700+ Active Duty JAGs / 80-100 hired annually • Initial Entry as 1LT (O-2), promotion to CPT (O-3) within 6 months • Initial Active Duty Commitment: 4 years
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1200+ Active Duty JAGs / 80-100 hired annually • Initial Entry as 1 Lt (O-2), promotion to Capt (O-3) within 6 months • Initial Active Duty Commitment: 4 years
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800+ Active Duty JAGs / 50-70 hired annually • Initial Entry as LTjg (O-2), promotion to LT (O-3) after 1 year • Initial Active Duty Commitment: 4 years
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 Active Duty JAGs / 5-12 hired annually • Initial Entry as LT (O-3), periodic promotions thereafter • Initial Active Duty Commitment: 4 years
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 400+ Active Duty Judge Advocates/60 accessions annually • Commission as 2ndLt (O-1), TIG accrues in law school • Constructive Service Credit for TIG/TIS while in law school • Initial Active Duty Commitment: 4 years

How Can Your Law Students Become JAGs?

Service	Accession Programs
Hiring Criteria: "Whole Person" Concept	
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Commission Program (3L/Attorney)
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ROTC Graduate Law Program (1L) • ROTC One Year College Program (2L) • Direct Appointment Program (3L/Attorney)
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Program (2L/3L) • Direct Appointment Program (3L/Attorney)
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Commission Lawyer (3L/Attorney)
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Platoon Leader's Course (College Senior/1L/2L) • Officer's Candidate Course (3L/Attorney)

Eligibility Requirements

Service	Requirements
ALL SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioning Age Requirements (<i>see below</i>) • U.S. citizen • Graduate of ABA-accredited Law School • Bar Admission (Federal Court or Highest Court of Any State) • Medically Qualified
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioned to active duty before 42nd birthday
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioned to active duty before 35th birthday
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioned to active duty before 42nd birthday
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioned to active duty before 41st birthday
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioned to active duty before 33rd birthday • Minimum LSAT of 150

Application Process

Service	Program/Deadlines	How to Apply
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct Commission Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadlines: 1 November 1 March**contingent on funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview w/ Field Screening Officer On-line Application
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate Law Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline: 1 Feb One Year College Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline: 1 Feb Direct Appointment Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadlines: 1 - Apr, Oct, Dec 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit Written Materials at Formal Interview with Staff Judge Advocate
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Program Direct Appointment Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadlines: March/October 	
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct Commission Lawyer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadlines: typically Sep, Dec, Feb 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Forms Interview with 3 Member Panel Medical Exam
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quarterly Boards for PLC Semi-Annual Boards for OCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact Officer Selection Officer

Internships/Externships

Service	Opportunities
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1L Paid Internships: 25 positions worldwide <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline: 1 March** Contingent on Funding 2L Paid Internships: 75 positions worldwide <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline: 1 Nov <p><i>Externship Opportunities year round for academic credit</i></p>
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1L and 2L Paid Internships: 25 positions (CONUS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application details on www.usajobs.com
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer Internships and School-Year Externship Volunteer Positions Available
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer Internships and School-Year Externship Volunteer Positions Available
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post Commissioning Summer (1 & 2L) up to 75 days on orders Post-Bar Exam (up to 180 days) Pre-The Basic School (up to 180 days)

Initial Training

Service	Training
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial Entry Training: 2 weeks, Fort Lee, VA Judge Advocate Basic Course (academic training): 10.5 weeks, Charlottesville, VA Direct Commission Officer Course: 6 weeks, Fort Benning, GA
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioned Officer Training: 4 weeks, Maxwell AFB, AL Judge Advocate Staff Officer Course (academic training): 9 weeks, Maxwell AFB, AL
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer Development School (professional officer academic and introductory training): 5 weeks, Newport, RI Basic Lawyer Course (introductory military legal academic training): 10 weeks, Newport, RI
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Military Indoctrination: 1 week, New London, CT Direct Commissioned Officer School: 4 weeks, New London, CT Naval Justice School: 10 weeks, Newport, RI Operational Familiarization Program: 2-4 weeks
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer Candidate School, 10 weeks, Quantico, VA The Basic School, 6 months, Quantico, VA Basic Lawyer Course, 10 weeks, Naval Justice School, Newport, RI

Assignments/Deployments

Service	Assignments	Deployments
 Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONUS • Worldwide locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically, 365-day deployments, practicing law • Locations: Afghanistan, Kuwait, Qatar, Djibouti, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
 Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONUS • Worldwide locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically, 179-day deployments, practicing law • Locations: Afghanistan, Kuwait, Qatar, CONUS, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
 Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONUS • Worldwide locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically, 6-12 month deployments as a legal professional • Locations: At sea, Afghanistan, Djibouti, and Guantanamo Bay
 Coast Guard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mostly CONUS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary deployments may be available to various international destinations
 Marine Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONUS • Worldwide locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically, 6-12 month deployments practicing law • Locations: Afghanistan, Japan, Djibouti, Australia

Diversity of Practice



- Criminal Prosecution and Defense
- Labor Law
- Government Contracts
- Admiralty Law (Navy)
- Aviation/Space Law (Air Force)
- Environmental Law
- International Law
- Tort Law
- Legal Assistance
- Operations Law



Benefits

- Meaningful and Rewarding Career in Public Service
 - Life-Work Balance
 - Competitive Salary with Non-taxable Allowances for Housing and Food
 - Comprehensive Medical and Dental Care
 - 30 Days Paid Leave/10 Federal Holidays
 - Retirement and Department of Veterans Affairs Benefits
 - Post-Graduate Opportunities
 - Free Continuing Legal Educational Opportunities
 - Commissary and Base Exchange Privileges
 - Recreation and Fitness Facilities
 - World-Wide Travel Opportunities
 - Low-cost Life Insurance
 - Webb GI Bill Benefits



Loan Repayment/Financial Incentives

Service	Loan Repayment	Financial Incentives
ALL SERVICES • College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007		
 Army	• \$65K Student Loan Repayment	• \$60K Continuation Pay Program ** • \$60K Critical Skills Retention Bonus** **Contingent on Funding
 Air Force	• \$65K Student Loan Repayment	• \$60K Continuation Pay Program
 Navy		\$60K Continuation Pay Program
 Marine Corps	\$50K Student Loan Repayment <small>*minus add'l 3 year commitment after completion of initial obligation</small>	

Contact Information

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 Army	www.jagcnet.army.mil/jaro 1-866-ARMY-JAG
 Air Force	www.airforce.com/jag 1-800-JAG-USAF
 Navy	www.jag.navy.mil/careers 901-874-4084
 Coast Guard	www.gocoastguard.com www.uscg.mil/legal
 Marines Corps	http://officer.marines.com 703-432-9008

Questions


