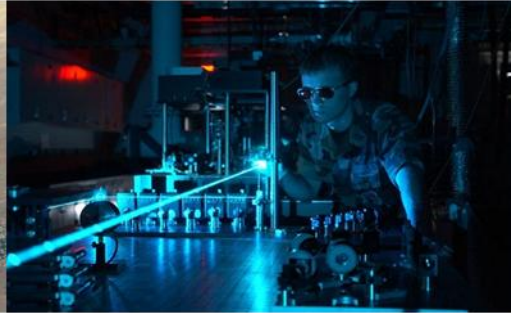


# AIR FORCE TECHNICAL DEGREE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM (TDSP)



**If you're working on a technical degree, the Air Force has a great program for you – the Technical Degree Sponsorship Program. It's an excellent way to earn money while you finish your college education. Upon graduation, you'll be commissioned as an officer and get started in an Air Force job that utilizes your technical skills.**

**Q: What is the Technical Degree Sponsorship Program?**

**A:** TDSP is a program to attract top-notch engineers for the Air Force. Candidates must be between the age of 18 and 34 at the time of commissioning.

**Q: What degree types qualify?**

**A:** Electrical and computer engineering degrees qualify for TDSP.

**Q: Do grades matter?**

**A:** Yes. Students must be in good academic standing. Candidates need a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4-scale for all college-level studies, as well as their academic major. The engineering program must be accredited by the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET). In addition, students should score a minimum of 25 on the verbal and 25 on the quantitative portions of the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test.

**Q: How does the program work?**

**A:** TDSP is a program for students within 24 months of graduation. First, the candidate must successfully compete at an Officer Training School (OTS) board, and then enter the active-duty Air Force at the rank of E-3, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class, to receive full military benefits.

**Q: What financial benefits come with enlisting and taking part in TDSP?**

**A:** TDSP participants receive full E-3 pay while they're full time students, and are issued ID cards for themselves and their dependents. This entitles them to all the military benefits-including medical care, Base Exchange, housing, food allowances and commissary privileges.

**Q: What happens after I graduate?**

**A:** After graduation, you'll enter the OTS Basic Officer Training program at Maxwell AFB, AL., and ultimately receive a commission as a second lieutenant. That's followed by your first active-duty assignment as an Air Force officer.

**Q: How long is my Air Force commitment?**

**A:** After successful completion of OTS, you have an initial four-year active-duty commitment. However, you may find that you really enjoy the quality of life the Air Force offers, and decide to make a career out of serving your country.

The Air Force needs creative, innovative people who are interested in developing and using scientific technology to keep our air and space force on the cutting-edge of tomorrow. If you're working toward a technical degree, we've been waiting for you. For more information talk to your Air Force representative today. You can also check out our career fields at [WWW.AIRFORCE.COM](http://WWW.AIRFORCE.COM)

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