

Getting Started

There are several ways to obtain information, application materials, or view the current nomination schedule.

- Go to my website:
<http://billnelson.senate.gov>, click on Constituent Services and then Academy Nominations.
- By mail, send your inquiry to:
U. S. Senator Bill Nelson
Attn: Service Academy Coordinator
Landmark Two Center
225 East Robinson Street, Suite 410
Orlando, Florida 32801-4326
- By telephone:
Call: (407) 872-7161 or
(888) 671-4091 *toll-free in FL*



U. S. Merchant Marine Academy
Kings Point, New York



U. S. Naval Academy
Annapolis, Maryland

NOTICE

Please go to <http://billnelson.senate.gov/service/nominations.cfm> for additional information or to download the current application. Applications are not accepted electronically and must be returned by mail.

Service Academy Nominations are handled through our Orlando office. Applications could be delayed if they are sent to other offices, especially Washington, D. C. The U. S. Senate has strict security measures for mail sent to Washington, D. C. Therefore, any mail sent directly to the DC office may not be received until three to four weeks after it was sent.



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No Greater Contribution



Receiving a nomination and appointment to a United States Service Academy is an honor and privilege. Serving our country is a high calling and instills in those who serve a sense of teamwork, honor and loyalty you'll carry with you the rest of your life.

It's an honor to select men and women from the Sunshine State who will become the future leaders of our armed forces. I wish you the best of luck as you begin the application process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Nelson".



U. S. Air Force Academy
Colorado Springs, Colorado



U. S. Military Academy
West Point, New York



U. S. Coast Guard Academy
New London, Connecticut

Who Can Apply?

- Juniors and seniors in high school, as well as high-school graduates can apply to Senator Nelson's office.
- Applicants must be a citizen of the United States, a resident of the state of Florida, and never married, pregnant or have a legal obligation to support a child or children.
- Applicants to the U. S. Military Academy, the Naval Academy, and the Air Force Academy must not have reached their 23rd birthday on July 1st of the year of admission.
- Applicants to the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy must be at least 17 and not yet reached their 25th birthday on July 1st of the year of admission.

Please note that each senator may have five Midshipmen or Cadets at each Academy at any one time. Senator Nelson will be able to nominate 10 individuals for one vacancy per service academy. If you're nominated and choose to accept your appointment, you are committed to at least five years of active duty in the military after graduation. A congressional nomination is not required for admission to the U. S. Coast Guard Academy.

Taking the Next Step

In addition to contacting my office, prospective candidates should contact and register with the academy or academies of interest to request candidate materials and open a file.

United States Air Force Academy
Director of Admissions
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 2400
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80840
Telephone: (800) 443-9266

United State Coast Guard Academy
Admissions Office
31 Mohegan Avenue
New London, Connecticut 06320-8103
Admissions Hotline: (800) 883-8724

United States Merchant Marine Academy
300 Steamboat Road, Admissions Center
Kings Point, New York 11024-1699
Telephone: (866) 546-4778

United States Military Academy
Director of Admissions
606 Thayer Road, Building 606
West Point, New York 10996-1797

United States Naval Academy
Admissions Office
117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, Maryland 21402-5018
Telephone: (410) 293-4361