



SCHOLARSHIP MONEY, AND PERSONAL/CHARITABLE DONATIONS



PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE SUBMITTING ANY FUNDS

ARE MIDSHIPMEN ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?

Yes. Midshipmen at USNA are not charged for tuition, room and board, or meals. However, they do have mandatory education expenses that they pay out-of-pocket such as books, uniforms, equipment, etc. Their monthly military pay is sufficient to pay for these requirements. However, reimbursement from unrestricted scholarships or personal donations is permissible.

ARE THERE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS WOULD BE REFUSED?

The United States Naval Academy (USNA) Midshipmen Disbursing Office (MDO) may not accept midshipmen scholarships containing restrictions. Restrictions are any condition or limitation an agency places on the use of their scholarship funds. Some examples include “must be used for tuition, room and/or board”, “student is required to maintain a specific grade point average (GPA)”, “scholarship funds will be paid back if midshipman disenrolls”, etc.

HOW MUCH CAN WE SUBMIT?

Currently, the Naval Academy can accept UP TO \$30,000 in financial support per midshipman. This represents the total estimated out-of-pocket expenses that a midshipman will incur over their 4 years at USNA. The \$8,500 ACE Loan is a part of this \$30,000. Any limitations on the use of scholarship monies should be verified with the awarding organization.

HOW ARE THESE FUNDS USED?

Any funds submitted will first be applied to any remaining ACE Loan balance and then be placed in the member’s “Held Pay” to fund any other clothing/equipment issue expenses.

WILL THIS CHANGE MY MIDSHIPMAN’S END-OF-MONTH PAY?

No. End-of-month pay is a set amount based on their current academic year.

- 4/C: \$200 (Plebe Summer \$100 Jul & Aug)
- 3/C: \$300
- 2/C: \$400
- 1/C: \$500

Any funds submitted will not increase the midshipmen’s monthly pay but all extra pay which would've gone towards the ACE loan will sit in his/her held pay until either deducted for future expenses or their Sophomore year when he/she will be eligible to withdraw from it monthly for personal use.



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HOW ARE FUNDS SUBMITTED?

At this time, we can only accept paper checks. EFT is not currently possible. Checks should be made payable to "USNA". If the originator makes the check payable to USNA **and** the midshipman, then the check must go directly to the midshipman who will need to endorse the check first payable to the U.S. Treasury. Then the midshipman may bring the check to Room 4002 Bancroft Hall for processing. If the check is made payable to "USNA" only (preferred), then the checks and letters can be mailed to:

United States Naval Academy
Midshipmen Disbursing Office
101 Buchanan Road Room 4002
Annapolis, MD 21402

Checks must include:

- Midshipman's name
- Alpha number and/or SSN
- If applicable, a letter/email stating any restrictions on the funds or their intended application (i.e. repay ACE loan, reimburse book purchases, etc.)

MAY WE SUBMIT FUNDS FROM 529 OR OTHER EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS?

Short answer, not directly but if you withdraw funds to your personal account or your midshipman's bank account and then wish to submit them to USNA, you may. More details will be provided after plebe summer concerning the submission of these investment-type funds. We will communicate this process to your midshipman who will send you the details at a later date.

FURTHER DETAILS ON MIDSHIPMAN PAY?

Midshipmen are paid a monthly amount equivalent to 35% of an active duty O-1 (Ensign or 2nd LT). Calendar year 2023 reflects this amount as \$1,273.20 gross monthly pay. This pay is meant to fund training expenses while at USNA. It is the responsibility of each Midshipman to monitor their pay account by reviewing their monthly Leave and Earnings Statement (LES). LESs can be accessed through the MYPAY page at <https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx>.

All of this information and more can be found in the Academic Year 2023-2024 Midshipmen Stipend and Annual Budget Book. A link is provided on the Plebe Summer webpage as well as the USNA Intranet. Please direct further questions to the Midshipmen Disbursing Office at longo@usna.edu or monteith@usna.edu.