

Pub. L. 106-65, set out as a note under section 4344 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 543(b) of Pub. L. 105-85 applicable with respect to students from foreign country entering United States Military Academy, United States Naval Academy, or United States Air Force Academy on or after May 1, 1998, see section 543(d) of Pub. L. 105-85, set out as a note under section 4344 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-94 effective one year after Sept. 24, 1983, and applicable to persons entering the Academy after such date, with subsec. (b)(2) of this section, as amended, not to apply to the cost of providing instruction to a person who, before such date, entered the Academy, see section 1004(d) of Pub. L. 98-94, set out as a note under section 4344 of this title.

PERSONS FROM COUNTRIES ASSISTING U.S. IN VIETNAM:
NAVAL ACADEMY INSTRUCTION; BENEFITS, LIMITATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND REGULATIONS; OATH OF TRAINEES

Naval Academy instruction of persons from countries assisting U.S. in Vietnam, numerical limitation, prohibition against appointment of graduates to the Armed Forces, exemption from oath, etc., see Pub. L. 89-802, Nov. 9, 1966, 80 Stat. 1518, set out as a note under section 4344 of this title.

§ 6957a. Exchange program with foreign military academies

(a) EXCHANGE PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Navy may permit a student enrolled at a military academy of a foreign country to receive instruction at the Naval Academy in exchange for a midshipman receiving instruction at that foreign military academy pursuant to an exchange agreement entered into between the Secretary and appropriate officials of the foreign country. Students receiving instruction at the Academy under the exchange program shall be in addition to persons receiving instruction at the Academy under section 6957 of this title.

(b) LIMITATIONS ON NUMBER AND DURATION OF EXCHANGES.—An exchange agreement under this section between the Secretary and a foreign country shall provide for the exchange of students on a one-for-one basis each fiscal year. Not more than 100 midshipmen and a comparable number of students from all foreign military academies participating in the exchange program may be exchanged during any fiscal year. The duration of an exchange may not exceed the equivalent of one academic semester at the Naval Academy.

(c) COSTS AND EXPENSES.—(1) A student from a military academy of a foreign country is not entitled to the pay, allowances, and emoluments of a midshipman by reason of attendance at the Naval Academy under the exchange program, and the Department of Defense may not incur any cost of international travel required for transportation of such a student to and from the sponsoring foreign country.

(2) The Secretary may provide a student from a foreign country under the exchange program, during the period of the exchange, with subsistence, transportation within the continental United States, clothing, health care, and other services to the same extent that the foreign

country provides comparable support and services to the exchanged midshipman in that foreign country.

(3) The Naval Academy shall bear all costs of the exchange program from funds appropriated for the Academy and such additional funds as may be available to the Academy from a source other than appropriated funds to support cultural immersion, regional awareness, or foreign language training activities in connection with the exchange program.

(4) Expenditures in support of the exchange program from funds appropriated for the Naval Academy may not exceed \$1,000,000 during any fiscal year.

(d) APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS.—Subsections (c) and (d) of section 6957 of this title shall apply with respect to a student enrolled at a military academy of a foreign country while attending the Naval Academy under the exchange program.

(e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe regulations to implement this section. Such regulations may include qualification criteria and methods of selection for students of foreign military academies to participate in the exchange program.

(Added Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title V, §542(b)(1), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1741; amended Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title V, §535(b), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 605; Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title V, §531(b), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2199.)

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-364, §531(b)(1), substituted “100” for “24”.

Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 109-364, §531(b)(2)(A), substituted “for the Academy and such additional funds as may be available to the Academy from a source other than appropriated funds to support cultural immersion, regional awareness, or foreign language training activities in connection with the exchange program.” for “for the Academy. Expenditures in support of the exchange program may not exceed \$120,000 during any fiscal year.”

Subsec. (c)(4). Pub. L. 109-364, §531(b)(2)(B), added par. (4).

1999—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 106-65, §535(b)(1), substituted “24 midshipmen” for “10 midshipmen”.

Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 106-65, §535(b)(2), substituted “\$120,000” for “\$50,000”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 109-364 effective Oct. 1, 2008, see section 531(d) of Pub. L. 109-364, set out as a note under section 4345 of this title.

§ 6957b. Foreign and cultural exchange activities

(a) ATTENDANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Navy may authorize the Naval Academy to permit students, officers, and other representatives of a foreign country to attend the Naval Academy for periods of not more than two weeks if the Secretary determines that the attendance of such persons contributes significantly to the development of foreign language, cross cultural interactions and understanding, and cultural immersion of midshipmen.

(b) COSTS AND EXPENSES.—The Secretary may pay the travel, subsistence, and similar personal expenses of persons incurred to attend the Naval Academy under subsection (a).

(c) EFFECT OF ATTENDANCE.—Persons attending the Naval Academy under subsection (a) are not considered to be students enrolled at the Naval Academy and are in addition to persons receiving instruction at the Naval Academy under section 6957 or 6957a of this title.

(d) SOURCE OF FUNDS; LIMITATION.—(1) The Naval Academy shall bear the costs of the attendance of persons under subsection (a) from funds appropriated for the Naval Academy and from such additional funds as may be available to the Naval Academy from a source, other than appropriated funds, to support cultural immersion, regional awareness, or foreign language training activities in connection with their attendance.

(2) Expenditures from appropriated funds in support of activities under this section may not exceed \$40,000 during any fiscal year.

(Added Pub. L. 110-417, [div. A], title V, §541(b)(1), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4455.)

§ 6958. Midshipmen: qualifications for admission

(a) Each candidate for admission to the Naval Academy—

(1) must be at least 17 years of age and must not have passed his twenty-third birthday on July 1 of the calendar year in which he enters the Academy; and

(2) shall be examined according to such regulations as the Secretary of the Navy prescribes, and if rejected at one examination may not be examined again for admission to the same class unless recommended by the Academic Board.

(b) Each candidate for admission nominated under clauses (3) through (9) of section 6954(a) of this title must be domiciled in the State, or in the congressional district, from which he is nominated, or in the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, or the Virgin Islands, if nominated from one of those places.

(c) Each candidate nominated under clause (2) or (3) of section 6954(b) of this title—

(1) must be a citizen of the United States;

(2) must have passed the required physical examination; and

(3) shall be appointed in the order of merit from candidates who have, in competition with each other, passed the required mental examination.

(d) To be admitted to the Naval Academy, an appointee must take and subscribe to an oath prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy. If a candidate for admission refuses to take and subscribe to the prescribed oath, the candidate's appointment is terminated.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 431; Pub. L. 87-663, §1(4), Sept. 14, 1962, 76 Stat. 547; Pub. L. 93-171, §2(5), Nov. 29, 1973, 87 Stat. 690; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, §532(b)(3), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1563; Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title V, §512, Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title V, §555(c), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2527; Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title V, §541(a), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1740.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
6958(a)(1)	34 U.S.C. 1047 (less 1st proviso).	June 30, 1950, ch. 421, §2 (less 1st proviso), 64 Stat. 304.
6958(a)(2)	34 U.S.C. 1043.	R.S. 1515.
6958(b)	34 U.S.C. 1047 (2d proviso).	June 30, 1950, ch. 421, §2 (2d proviso), 64 Stat. 304.
6958(c)	34 U.S.C. 1042.	Mar. 4, 1917, ch. 180, 39 Stat. 1182 (1st par.).
	34 U.S.C. 1032 (less 1st 70 words).	Dec. 20, 1917, ch. 5, §1 (less 1st 70 words), 40 Stat. 430; Aug. 13, 1946, ch. 962, §16, 60 Stat. 1061; May 16, 1947, ch. 77, §1(o), 61 Stat. 100.

In subsection (a) the effective date is omitted as executed. The words "at least 17 years of age and must not have passed his twenty-second birthday" are substituted for the words "not less than seventeen years of age and not more than twenty-two years of age" to remove ambiguity, and for uniformity of treatment of provisions of this type. The reference to time of examination is omitted as being included within the Secretary's authority to prescribe regulations, which is stated in the subsection. The words "Academic Board" are substituted for the words "board of examiners".

In subsection (b) the words "domiciled in" are substituted for the words "actual resident of" since this term has been so interpreted.

AMENDMENTS

1997—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 105-85 added subsec. (d).

1996—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 104-201 substituted "twenty-third birthday" for "twenty-second birthday".

1991—Subsec. (c)(2) to (4). Pub. L. 102-190 redesignated pars. (3) and (4) as (2) and (3), respectively, and struck out former par. (2) which required candidates to have served at least one year as enlisted members on date of entrance.

1990—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-510 substituted "clauses (3) through (9)" for "clauses (3)-(7), (9) and (10)".

1973—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 93-171 substituted "and (10) of section 6954(a)" for "and (9) of section 6954(a)" and struck out "or Territory".

1962—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 87-663 inserted references to American Samoa, Guam, and the Virgin Islands, and substituted "clauses (3)-(7) and (9)" for "clauses (3)-(7)".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1973 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendment by Pub. L. 93-171, see section 4 of Pub. L. 93-171, set out as a note under section 4342 of this title.

AUTHORITY TO WAIVE MAXIMUM AGE LIMITATION ON ADMISSION TO SERVICE ACADEMIES FOR CERTAIN ENLISTED MEMBERS WHO SERVED DURING PERSIAN GULF WAR

For authority to waive maximum age limitation in subsec. (a)(1) of this section on basis of service on active duty in connection with Operation Desert Storm, see section 514 of Pub. L. 102-190, set out as a note under section 4346 of this title.

§ 6959. Midshipmen: agreement for length of service

(a) Each midshipman shall sign an agreement with respect to the midshipman's length of service in the armed forces. The agreement shall provide that the midshipman agrees to the following:

(1) That the midshipman will complete the course of instruction at the Naval Academy.

(2) That upon graduation from the Naval Academy the midshipman—

(A) will accept an appointment, if tendered, as a commissioned officer of the Reg-