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The Department of Naval Reactors is screening qualified students in their sophomore year and above (including college graduates), enrolled in technical majors (preferable but not mandatory) for highly skilled positions as Nuclear Trained Officers (NTO) in the Nuclear Propulsion Officer Candidate (NUPOC) Program. These NTOs go on to operate nuclear reactors at sea on Navy submarines and aircraft carriers in the fleet, teach the courses listed below at the Nuclear Power School or reactor plant operation at one of the Navy's two training reactors, or serve as Naval Reactors Engineers (NRE) as part of the regulatory body of the Nuclear Navy. While finishing college, students selected for these positions receive an immediate \$15,000 signing bonus if going into the fleet or NRE pipelines and all pipelines pay an approximate \$4,300 monthly salary until graduation. This salary will also be paid during the summer months, regardless of the student's enrollment status. Following graduation, future fleet Nuclear Trained Officers participate in a 12-month graduate level education program in Systems Engineering at Nuclear Power School in Charleston, SC. It's a broad based education that provides intensive training in the areas of nuclear, electrical, materials, chemical, and mechanical engineering.

Because of their exceptional qualifications, Nuclear Trained Officers enjoy an excellent starting salary, which automatically increases to over \$90,000 within four years. For those who stay in the Navy after their five year active duty obligation, the yearly salary jumps to over \$120,000. Other benefits include complete health and dental coverage, opportunities for a fully funded graduate degree, international travel to places like Europe, Japan, Hawaii, and Australia, and the best hands-on engineering and managerial experience you'll find in any industry.

This is NOT a ROTC program. Selected applicants (US citizens only) have no outside requirements to drill, get haircuts, wear uniforms, etc... The only requirement is to continue what you've been doing all along: maintaining a strong academic performance and stay in good physical shape. The military stuff (Officer Candidate School or Officer Development School) starts after graduation from college.

Again, congratulations on your decision to pursue a challenging education. Your degree will definitely open doors for you in the future and is the reason that this opportunity is available to you now. I urge you to set aside any stereotypes you may have of the military, research the facts about the NUPOC Program, and seriously consider this potential career path. Wherever you are headed in life, this program can help you get there. It is extremely marketable in both the military and civilian sectors. Many of our Nuclear Trained Officers enter the corporate sector after five years making well over \$100,000.

If you would like to talk to me in person to learn more about the program, please call (224) 244-4912, respond via the email above or visit <u>Navy NUPOC Program</u> website. I look forward to answering your questions!

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