

Academy Nomination Application

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Educational Information

Academy Preference

Interview Essay Questions

Due to the volume of applicants, Senator Duckworth is unable to conduct personal interviews. Thoughtful completion of these questions is an applicant's best opportunity to demonstrate his/her strengths and character.

All answers will be carefully reviewed. Please submit questions and answers on a separate document.

Acceptance into a service academy changes your life in many ways. Tell us how you feel acceptance into a service academy will impact your future.*

Why have you chosen to apply to this specific academy? If you have applied to more than one academy, please explain how each academy helps you reach your career and personal goals.*

What do you believe will be your greatest challenge in adjusting to academy life?*

Where do you see yourself ten years after your academy education is complete?*

Service academy students are required to meet many competing deadlines. Please tell us how you prioritize and ensure all deadlines are met.*

Describe a specific role you played in a recent school or community event.*

Today's active duty military is smaller and more racially and ethnically diverse than in previous generations. Please give examples of how exposure to people from diverse backgrounds, including race, religion, ethnicity, and gender have impacted your life. What approach do you take in engaging with people different from yourself?*

What are your plans if you are not selected to attend a service academy?*

Documents will only be accepted in the following formats: .doc .pdf or .jpg

When you return your application, please include the following:

- **APPLICATION FORM with CURRENT Color Photo**
- **RESUME AND LIST OF ACTIVITIES:**
Summarize interscholastic athletics, school activities, community involvement (volunteer or work experience), awards and honors, and any other activities you find noteworthy. Include specific leadership positions and recognitions of achievement, as well as dates of involvement in each activity.
- **PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION LETTERS (3)**
Completed by counselors, principals, teachers, religious leaders, coaches, employer or community leaders, a minimum of three (3) Personal Recommendation Letters are required. Applicants should be mindful that Personal Recommendation Letters tend to be the chief cause of delays in completing an application packet. Start this process early to ensure your application packet is postmarked by the **November 1, 2025** deadline.
- **OFFICIAL COPY OF HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT**
- **OFFICIAL COPY OF COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT (if applicable)**
- **OFFICIAL COPY OF SAT/ACT SCORES**
Carefully consider the dates that you are registered to take the SAT and/or ACT. In order for an application packet to be considered complete, an official copy of your scores must be included in the application packet **OR** applicants should ensure the testing centers send scores directly to Senator Duckworth's Springfield office using score report codes by the November 1, 2025 deadline. Official test scores already on file with Senator Duckworth may be updated after **November 1, 2025**, only if applicant has previously submitted a complete application packet by the deadline. **Senator Duckworth's Score Report Test Codes - SAT: 1136 ACT: 7125**

Application must be received in our office by November 1, 2025, Please mail your complete application to:

Office of U.S. Senator Tammy Duckworth
Attn: Service Academy Nominations
8 S. Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, IL 62701

Or:

nominations@duckworth.senate.gov

For additional questions, please call 217-528-6124.