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The AAA is a scheme whereby suitably qualified Permanent Air Force (PAF) airmen/airwomen can be appointed as officers to undertake full-time undergraduate study at UNSW Canberra. Appointments under this scheme will be confined to those specialisations in which Air Force has difficulty in meeting staffing requirements through traditional recruiting avenues and may vary from year to year.

PAF applicants for appointment as officers under the AAA Scheme must be at least a Leading Aircraftman with a minimum of at least three Performance Appraisal Reports.

Members appointed under the AAA Scheme will complete Initial Officer Training course before commencing study at the Academy.

At the Academy, these officers will be posted to the Advanced Student Division for the duration of their tertiary studies. In the event of failure, appointment may be terminated and, depending on vacancies, re-enlistment offered with previous rank and mustering. Retention as a non-tertiary qualified officer in the specialisation appointed to under the AAA Scheme will depend on Air Force requirements in the specialisation at the time and on the merits of the individual case.

Airmen and Airwomen considering applying for AAAS must consider the financial implications of entering the scheme, including any effect on their salary and superannuation.

Applications for appointment under the AAA Scheme will normally be called by DP-AF in November and December with Officer Selection Boards being conducted in March/April of the following year. Successful candidates will then undertake Initial Officers Course during August to November for commencement of university study at the Academy in the following year.

For further information, refer to:

DI(AF) PERS 1-7 Appointment of Serving Members as Officers.

For further enquiries, members may contact:

- Commissioning Applications to DP-AF: Selection, Enlistment, Appointment and Transfer (SEAT) Ph **(02) 6265 5170**
- Military commitments while at ADFA Ph **(02) 6268 8463**
- Academic issues, e.g. eligibility for admission UNSW Canberra Student Administrative Services Ph **(02) 6268 6001** or sas@adfa.edu.au