143d Airlift Squadron

Rhode Island Air National Guard
Quonset Point ANGB,
North Kingstown RI

REQUIREMENTS

-30 at start of UPT (Realistically you can't be much older than 28 when you interview)
-Must be a U.S. Citizen capable of obtaining a Secret Security Clearance
-Vision limitations:

- Distant vision - corrected to 20/20 (uncorrected maximum is 20/70)
- Near vision - uncorrected 20/25 (uncorrected maximum is 20/70)
- Refractive error – No worse than -1.50 to +2.00
- Astigmatism - No worse than 1.50 Diopters

-Must possess a 4 year college degree (or have at least 90 credit hours completed to apply)
-You must be in good overall health and meet AF Physical Fitness Standards
-Preferred Minimum Flight Experience: flight training up through initial solo (143d Requirement)
-Minimum of a Class 3 FAA medical exam (143d Requirement)
-Prefer personnel to live in the local commuting area or willing to relocate (143d Requirement)

TRAINGING PIPELINE SEQUENCE

-AMS*: 6 weeks TDY - Officer Commission - Maxwell AFB
-IFS*: 4 weeks TDY - 18 hours in a Diamond 20 – Pueblo Co
-UPT: 52 weeks PCS -Flying the T-6/T-1/T-44
-PIQ: 6 Month TDY C-130J schoolhouses – Little Rock AFB
-Water Survival*: 1 week TDY - USAF Water Survival School – Pensacola NAS
-Combat Survival*: 3 weeks TDY Combat Survival School – Fairchild AFB
-Home Station Seasoning: 90 days of active duty orders – Quonset Point ANGB
-Big Picture: Looking at about 2 years to become a Mission Ready C-130J Co-Pilot
*Spouse and family may accompany to all except to AMS, IFS and Survival Schools

AMS – ACADEMY OF MILITARY STUDIES (ANG OFFICER COMMISION)
Maxwell AFB, Alabama
Commissioned as an Air Force 2nd Lieutenant upon Graduation

IFS – INTRODUCTORY FLIGHT TRAINING
Pueblo, Colorado
10 Hours Ground Training / 18 Hours Flight Training (13 Dual Flights and 1 Solo)

UPT – UNDERGRADUATE PILOT TRAINING (USAF FLIGHT SCHOOL)
Columbus AFB, MS; Vance AFB, OK; Laughlin AFB, TX
Phase 1 – Academic Classes and Pre-Flight Training
Phase 2 – Academics, Simulator & Flight Training
Phase 3 – Advanced Academics, Simulator & Flight Training

PIQ – Pilot Initial Qualification (C-130 School House)
Little Rock AFB, Arkansas
C-130J – Mission Specific Academics, Simulator & Flight Training

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Water Survival
Pensacola NAS, Florida

Combat Survival School
Fairchild AFB, Washington

Home Station Training
Quonset Point ANGB, Rhode Island
Local Indoctrination, Mission Qualification

EXPETATIONS AFTER TRAINGING
-1 Weekend per month (Unit Training Assembly)
-2 Weeks Annual Training
-1 Week Annual Simulator Refresher Training
-Current and Qualified: Varies with experience
-Expect 2 to 3 training sorties per month and 1 off station training event per quarter (minimum)

DEPLOYMENTS
Activations (realistically looking at 3 month to a deployed location every 15-18 months)
Operation Iraqi Freedom / Enduring Freedom Rotations are the norm
Strong Family Support Network
Deployed Veteran Benefits (GI Bill, Early Retirement, etc.)

TESTING & MEDICAL INFO

Note: These can take a considerable amount of time to coordinate; plan accordingly

AFOQT: Air Force Officer Qualifying Test - (http://www.baseops.net/afoqt)
-Hanscom AFB, MA – Base Training (781-225-5952) -Not given regularly, check for availability
-Quonset ANGB, RI – Base Training (401-267-3268) -Not given regularly, check for availability
-Other locations may be closer to your home

TBAS: Test of Basic Aviation Skills - (http://access.afpc.af.mil/pcsmdmz/TBASLocations.html)
-Hanscom AFB, MA – Base Training (781-225-5952) -Not given regularly, check for availability
-Other locations may be closer to your home, check the website for availability

PCSM: Pilot Candidate Selection Method - (http://access.afpc.af.mil/pcsmdmz/index.html)
-PCSM=AFOQT+TBAS+FLIGHT TIME (Not the actual equation, but you get the point)

Current FAA Medical - (http://www.faa.gov/pilots/amelocator/)
-FAA 3rd Class Medical at a minimum, approximate cost: $100

Performance Reports & Supervisor Contact Info (Current and Prior Service Only)
-Include copies of your last 3 OPR's / EPR's as appropriate
-Include contact information for your current section supervisor

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APPLICATION PACKAGE – NO STAPLES, NO BINDING

- Cover Letter
- Color Photo (passport photo recommended)
- Current Resume
- College Transcript
  - Mailing address same as address for package (see below)
- Letters of Recommendation (minimum of 3)
  - Recommendation addressed to "143d AW UPT Selection Board Members"
  - Mailing address same as address for package (see below)
  - Be Sure to Include Contact Information
- AFOQT Scores (see previous page)
- TBAS Score (see previous page)
- PCSM Scores (see previous page)
- Completed DD Forms 2807-1 & 2807-2 (see attached)
  - NOTE: Doctor's signature not required, but full disclosure is required
- One copy each of the following:
  - Last 3 OPR's / EPR's (Military Only)
  - Section Supervisor Contact Info (Military Only)
  - Current FAA Medical (Class 3 or higher)
  - Pilot Certificates / Ratings
  - Last Page of Logbook
  - Driving Record (Official State Printout)
  - Law Violations printout, to include any court documents (If Applicable)

TIPS FOR SELECTION

- DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTIONS: **1 April 2015**
- Turn in a fully completed package on time (This is a delivered by date, <u>not</u> a postmarked by date, plan accordingly)
- ADDRESS FOR SUBMITTIONS: 143d AW UPT Board
  Attn: MSgt AJ Grenier
  1235 Oaklawn Ave
  Cranston RI 02920

- Keep package contents "professional" and address them to the unit
- Make sure you meet all requirements / prerequisites
- Be upfront and honest about any "negatives" or "issues"
- Study for the AFOQT, you can only take it twice
- Know basic facts and figures about the unit and mission
- Make follow-up calls to ensure your package was received
- Brush up on your interview skills
- **Be yourself at the interview**

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