

# Musician (MU)



The U.S. Navy Music Program has a proud tradition of setting a high standard of musical excellence. If you meet this standard and are looking for an exciting career, join the Navy team and be part of one of the TOP music programs in the nation.

You will receive all the support and expert training needed to achieve professional status, earning excellent pay and college credits while performing with some of the finest musicians in the country.

### What They Do

Life as a Navy Musician (MU) is one of variety! Whether you are assigned to one of our two Premiere Bands, The United States Navy Band Washington, DC or the Naval Academy Band in Annapolis, MD, or one of our 11 fleet bands, you will have the opportunity to perform virtually every idiom from Sousa marches to MTV, from Broadway to symphonic wind ensemble, from contemporary rock to Big Band jazz, and from bluegrass to baroque.

As a member of a Navy Band, your performances might include presidential inaugurations; parades down Main Street USA, or the Avenue des Champs Elysees in Paris; military ceremonies on the White House lawn or aboard carriers at sea; public shows and concerts as well as live radio and television broadcasts.

### Credit Recommendations

The American Council on Education recommends that semester hours be awarded in the lower-division bachelor's/associate's degree category for courses taken in the MU rating on music theory, elementary conducting, marching and concert band, and social occasions.

### Qualifications and Interests

Navy musicians must set the standard for musical excellence and be able to perform at the most professional degree in all musical styles. Along with musical talent, MUs must be constantly aware of the need to maintain the highest degree of professional competence and exemplary behavior.

### Career Path After Recruit Training

You will be provided expert training at a college accredited institution where you will have daily rehearsals in Concert, Marching, and Stage bands, and small specialty ensembles, and will fine-tune your skills.

School	Present Location	Approximate Training Time	Subjects	Training Methods
Armed Forces School of Music	Little Creek VA	21 weeks	Concert Band, Marching Band, Stage Band, and small specialty ensembles	Group instruction, classroom, and individual instruction

Following graduation you will be assigned to one of our Navy Bands located throughout the continental United States, Hawaii, Japan, and Italy. The needs of the Navy, along with your personal preferences, determine your individual assignment location.

### Opportunities

Opportunities are good for qualified instrumentalists and vocalists to enter the Navy Music Program. However, due to fluctuating Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) (instrument) accession requirements within the MU rating, initial contact with the MU Detailer (Pers-4014) is encouraged.

### Related Civilian Jobs-

O\*Net SOC Code O\*Net SOC Title

25-1121.00 Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary

25-2021.00 Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education

25-2022.00 Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education

25-2031.00 Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education

25-3099.99 Teachers and Instructors, All Other

27-2041.01 Music Directors

27-2041.04 Music Composers and Arrangers

27-2042.00 Musicians and Singers

27-2042.02 Musicians, Instrumental

Since Navy programs and courses are revised at times, the information contained on this rating card is subject to change.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Enlisted Assignment Detailer (Pers-4014) at Commercial (901) 874-4316/14, DSN 882-XXXX, or toll free at 800-962-1425.

We may also be contacted through the World Wide Web:

<http://www.npc.navy.mil/CommandSupport/NavyMusic/>

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