

# THE NAVAL ACADEMY

## ANNAPOLIS

The City of Annapolis has been home to the Naval Academy for all but four years since the founding of the school in 1845 on the grounds of what originally was the Army's Fort Severn. The Academy moved its location to Newport, Rhode Island, from 1861-1865 during the Civil War.

## ANCHORS AWEIGH

"Anchors Aweigh" was written by Lt. Charles Zimmerman, musical director of the Naval Academy, in 1906, with the lyrics provided by Alfred H. Miles '06 as a fight song for the 1907 graduating class. The song made its debut at the 1906 Army-Navy game and when the Mids won, the song became traditional at the contest.

Stand Navy down the field,  
Sails set to the sky,  
We'll never change our course,  
So Army you steer shy.  
Roll up the score, Navy,  
Anchors Aweigh,  
Sail Navy down the field,  
And sink the Army,  
sink the Army Grey

## BANCROFT HALL

Named after the former Secretary of the Navy (1845-46) and founder of the Naval Academy George Bancroft, Bancroft Hall serves as the dormitory for the entire Brigade of Midshipmen. Its 33 acres of floor space and nearly five miles of hallways makes it one of the largest dorms in the world.

## BRIGADE OF MIDSHIPMEN

The 4,000-member student body at the Naval Academy is called the Brigade of Midshipmen.

The Brigade is organized into ...

- 2 regiments
- 6 battalions
- 30 companies

## BILL THE GOAT

The first recorded use of a goat as the mascot for Navy teams was in 1893 when an animal named El Cid (the Chief) was presented to the Brigade by officers of the USS New York. El Cid helped Navy to a 6-4 win over Army that year and a goat became the permanent mascot of the Academy in 1904.

## BLUE & GOLD

Now, colleges from sea to sea  
May sing of colors true;  
But who has better right than we  
To hoist a symbol hue?  
For sailors brave in battle fair,  
Since fighting days of old,  
Have proved the sailor's right to wear  
The Navy Blue and Gold

## CLASS RANKS

First-year students at the Naval Academy are referred to as "plebes" during their initial or "Fourth Class" year in school, while sophomores at Navy, members of the "Third Class," are called "youngsters." Juniors at the school are designated as "Second Class," with seniors called "Firsties" in reference to their "First Class" year.

## CO-ED

Women were first admitted to the Naval Academy during the summer of 1976. Today, women comprise roughly 15 percent of the student body.

## COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

When a student graduates from the Naval Academy, they have the option to enter either the Navy or the Marine Corps as an officer. If they choose to join the Navy, they are commissioned as Ensigns, while those entering the Marine Corps are given the rank of Second Lieutenant.

## JOHN PAUL JONES

The crypt of John Paul Jones, considered America's first naval leader and hero, is located below the Naval Academy Chapel.

The native of Scotland was born in 1747, and travelled to the colonies to assist America during the Revolutionary War. His ship never lost a battle as he reached a rank of captain in the Continental Navy.

Jones died in 1792 in Paris, France, and was buried there. His remains were returned to the United States in 1905 and he was interred at the Naval Academy eight years later.

## MARINE CORPS

Those officers entering the Marine Corps have the choice of service selecting one of the following fields ...

- Aviation -- air command and control, anti-air warfare, aviation maintenance, aviation supply, pilot, naval flight officer.
- Ground -- armor\*, artillery\*, communications (information systems), engineering, financial management, infantry\*, logistics, military police (\* = not available to women)



## MIDSHIPMAN

The original 17th Century meaning of the word “midshipsmen” designated those men who stood watch “amidships”, or in the middle portion of a ship. The middle “s” was later dropped to give the current form of the word.

Midshipmen were originally young boys who were apprenticed to sea captains to learn the trade.

In the early days of the Navy, midshipmen were trained aboard ship until they were commissioned as ensigns.

## NAVY

Graduates of the Naval Academy entering the Navy have the following service options available to them ...

- Aviation -- flight officer, pilot
- Nuclear Propulsion -- ships, submarines\*
- Restricted Line and Staff Corps -- civil engineering, cryptology, intelligence, maintenance, medicine, meteorology/oceanography, supply
- Special Operations -- explosive ordinance disposal, explosive ordinance management, mine countermeasures, operational diving and salvage,
- Navy SEALs\*
- Surface Warfare -- conventional, nuclear powered
- Submarines\*

(\* = not available to women)

## NICKNAME

The official nickname for all of Navy’s athletic teams is Midshipmen. “Mids” is an appropriate nickname, while “Middie” is inappropriate.

## N-STAR

Members of varsity teams who qualify for the varsity letter receive an N-Star for their letter sweaters if they participate in a victory over Army in any sport-designated Star Game.

The varsity N and corresponding N-Star were initiated during the early 1890s.

## SCHOOL COLORS

Each class at the Naval Academy produced their own set of class colors until 1892 when Navy Blue and Gold were established as the official colors for the entire Naval Academy.

## SUMMER TRAINING

Summers remain a busy and challenging time of year for midshipmen. Their initial tenure at the Naval Academy begins around July 1 prior to the start of the freshman year at the school with “Plebe Summer.” Instead of taking academic classes, plebes receive military indoctrination and learn basic seamanship and sailing.

The summer following plebe year is spent aboard various ships to gain knowledge and experience of the workings of the Navy. Included in this time is a three-week cruise aboard either a 44-foot Naval Academy sailboat or a Yard Patrol craft traveling on the East Coast.

Portions of the summer before the start of a second-class year is spent visiting bases of both the Navy and the Marine Corps. That leads up to the next summer when midshipmen join an operational unit of the Navy or Marine Corps for several weeks. In addition, rising firsties also begin to accept leadership roles at either the Naval Academy for plebe summer, the Naval Academy Prep School (Newport, R.I.) or aboard a yard patrol or sailing cruise.



## TECUMSEH

Tecumseh is the Native American figurehead which has been facing Bancroft Hall since 1866.

The statue originally was the figurehead of the USS Delaware and named after Tamanend, a Delaware chief. The name was later changed to Tecumseh after a Shawnee chieftain who lived from 1768-1813.

The original wooden statue was replaced after 50 years by the current bronze version.

Tecumseh is painted prior to football games and during Commissioning Week he is adorned with the shoulder boards of a Navy ensign on one side and that of a Marine Corps second lieutenant on the other.

## THE YARD

“The Yard” is another name for the grounds of the Naval Academy. Originally just 10 acres, The Yard has grown to a size of 338 acres.

## NAVAL ACADEMY LEADERSHIP



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RODNEY P. REMPT, USN  
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CAPT. BRUCE GROOMS,  
USN  
Commandant of Midshipmen

# The Patriot League



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The Patriot League continually demonstrates that student-athletes can excel at both academics and athletics without sacrificing its high standards. The Patriot League's athletic success is achieved while its member institutions remain committed to its founding principle of admitting and graduating student-athletes that are academically representative of their class.

In its second decade of combining academic and athletic excellence, the Patriot League sponsors championships in 23 men's and women's sports. Initially started as an NCAA Division I-AA football conference in 1986, the Patriot League became an all-sport conference in 1990 and includes American, Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy as full members, and Fordham and Georgetown as associate members. These institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation and their alumni have, and continue to play leadership roles in shaping our country.

Since 1998, the Patriot League has ranked first each year among all Division I conferences awarding athletic aid in the NCAA Graduation Rate Report. In addition, the Patriot League finished first in the new NCAA Academic Progress Report (APR) among all Division I conferences awarding athletic aid (combining with all eight of its full-time member institutions for an average of 984 out of 1,000). The APR is used to measure academic eligibility, retention and graduation of student-athletes.

Patriot League student-athletes and teams continue to enjoy success at the national level, with opening round victories coming in several NCAA Championships, including consecutive wins in men's basketball, a final four appearance in men's lacrosse and a sixth-place finish at the NCAA Cross Country Championship.

The Patriot League's mission is simple, to provide successful competitive athletic experiences while maintaining high academic standards, and to prepare its student-athletes to be leaders in society.

### During the 2005-06 year, Patriot League student-athletes and teams accomplished the following:

- ◆ Army's Julie Jorgensen (first-team soccer) and Bucknell's Matt Capece (third-team baseball) were named to ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America team.
- ◆ 50 Patriot League student-athletes were named to ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District teams.
- ◆ In addition to automatic qualifiers, the Patriot League sent a second at-large team to the NCAA I-AA football playoffs for the second-straight season, and to the NCAA Men's Golf Championships for the first time in League history.
- ◆ Bucknell's men's basketball program became the first Patriot League team to crack the *Associated Press* and *ESPN/USA Today* Coaches Top 25 Poll.
- ◆ American's Keira Carlstrom turned in the highest finish in Patriot League history at the NCAA Women's Cross Country Championship, placing sixth overall.
- ◆ Four Patriot League men's lacrosse teams spent portions of the season ranked in the top 20 of the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association Poll, with Navy spending the entire year in the top 15.
- ◆ Holy Cross won the Patriot League's first-ever NCAA postseason contest in women's lacrosse, defeating Le Moyne in the NCAA Play-In Game to advance to the NCAA Women's Lacrosse Tournament.
- ◆ Army's women's basketball program became the first from a service academy to advance to the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Tournament.
- ◆ Lehigh's Matt McBride became the highest Patriot League student-athlete to be selected in the Major League Baseball College Draft, going in the second round (76th overall).

## 2006 Patriot League Championship

Harry Lang Course (6k)

Colgate University, Hamilton, N.Y.

### Team Results

School	Places of Finishers								Points
1. Bucknell	1	2	6	9	10	(12)	(24)	28	
	Average Time: 23:54.9								
2. Navy	3	5	21	23	27	(29)	(33)	79	
	Average Time: 24:33.2								
3. Colgate	8	15	17	20	22	(32)	(34)	82	
	Average Time: 24:43.8								
4. Lehigh	4	11	16	25	36	(39)	(41)	92	
	Average Time: 24:42.1								
5. Army	7	14	30	31	37	(38)	(46)	119	
	Average Time: 24:59.3								
6. American	13	18	35	40	42	(44)		148	
	Average Time: 25:20.7								
7. Lafayette	19	26	43	47	49	(51)	(52)	184	
	Average Time: 25:53.5								
8. Holy Cross	28	45	48	50	53	(54)	(55)	224	
	Average Time: 26:36.0								

### First-Team All-Patriot League

Pl.	Name, Yr.	School	Time
1.	Leanna Nastase, So.	Bucknell	23:06.5
2.	Erin Crammer-Hart, Jr.	Bucknell	23:25.2
3.	<b>Justine Whipple, Sr.</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>23:37.5</b>
4.	Jennifer Schappert, Sr.	Lehigh	23:47.3
5.	<b>Emily Castro, Sr.</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>23:55.5</b>
6.	Jennifer Stevens, Sr.	Bucknell	24:03.7
7.	Meghan Curran, So.	Army	24:10.5

### Second-Team All-Patriot League

Pl.	Name, Yr.	School	Time
8.	Kristen Kiraly, So.	Colgate	24:22.7
9.	Nicole Falcaro, So.	Bucknell	24:28.9
10.	Gillian Nordquist, Sr.	Bucknell	24:30.2
11.	Sarah Seiler, Sr.	Lehigh	24:30.6
12.	Christine Totten, Jr.	Bucknell	24:32.1
13.	Cathleen Ford, Jr.	American	24:32.8
14.	Roxanne Wegman, So.	Army	24:33.6