



Requirements for Eligibility

The Veteran:

- Must have a service-connected disability rating.
- Should have undergraduate or graduate education in a related field or 36 months of experience.
- Experience may have been gained in occupations such as computer specialist electronics technician, telecommunications specialist, engineer, or other related work.
- Must pass pre-employment drug test. The position may involve minor physical exertion in the form of lifting and bending.

How do I apply for VTP?

Individuals currently enrolled in VA's Chapter 31 program:

Individuals must apply through their Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor.

Individuals *not* currently enrolled in VA's Chapter 31 program:

- Find information about the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) program at www.vetsuccess.gov or call 1-800-827-1000.
- Apply on-line by going to the VA web site at: <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vona/pp/main.asp>.
- Once enrolled, must apply through their Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor.

Benefits

ATCS and ATSS earn annual and sick leave, and are eligible for a variety of federal benefits: i.e., health insurance, life insurance, retirement benefits, and participation in the Thrift Savings Plan, which is similar to a 401 (k).

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VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM (VTP)

The VTP is an on-the-job training program that allows veterans with disabilities to take advantage of Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) educational and vocational rehabilitation benefits while training for positions in FAA. If selected for training, veterans will spend several weeks in an intense training program at the FAA Academy in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The veteran is eligible for an appointment to an FAA position but must complete training requirements for position selected. The veteran will receive a training wage while at the Academy. After completion of Academy training, the veteran will continue on-the-job training at an FAA facility. Salary at the facility is dependent on position, level of specialized experience and duty location.



AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALIST (ATCS)

Motivated, decisive, committed and self confident – these are characteristics of the exceptional men and women who provide the safe and orderly flow of air traffic in our skies. The FAA will give you the training and support you need for a great career. Training is challenging, but the support and satisfaction you will receive make this career worthwhile.

ATCS training begins with 16 weeks of instruction at the FAA Academy, Oklahoma, OK.



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- Veterans must have a service-connected disability rating.
- Prior experience or training in air traffic control is not required. However, veterans must have three years of progressively responsible work experience or a full 4-year

course of study leading to a bachelor's degree.

- The maximum entry age for these positions is 30 years of age, i.e., veterans must be hired prior to reaching their 31st birthday.
- Veterans must achieve a minimum score of 70 or higher on the Air Traffic Selection and Training (AT-SAT) Examination. (The AT-SAT is a specialized aptitude examination given only by the FAA.).
- Veterans must pass a rigorous medical examination that includes strict vision and hearing standards and a pre-employment drug test.

Airway Transportation Systems Specialists (ATSS)

Airway Transportation Systems Specialists are people who repair critical communications equipment at an airport, equipment that helps land over 120 planes an hour. In these positions you will be responsible for installing, testing, troubleshooting, repairing and certifying radar, communications equipment, navigational aids, airport lighting, backup power — everything air traffic controllers and pilots use for a safe flight — to ensure that all systems are working properly.

ATSS training program begins with 10 weeks of instruction at the FAA Academy, Oklahoma, OK.