

semester); participate in core course cohorting and additional academic enrichment opportunities offered during the academic year; achieve honors designation in their major program (if offered) and perform undergraduate scholarship reviewed and accepted by the THP Committee.

## GRADUATE SCHOOLING

### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Transcripts:** Before transcripts will be released permission must be given in writing. Transcripts of academic records are available at Academic Affairs and Registrar Services (AARS), Office of the Dean. There is no charge for transcripts required in connection with official requirements, but a nominal charge will be made for all others.

**Academic Evaluations:** Upon request, faculty members will provide cadets with academic evaluations using USMA Form 3-230 which is available in the Office of the Dean. These forms permit the Office of the Dean with a cadet's authorization under the provisions of the Privacy Act to provide selected information to designated institutions, agencies, or individuals. In most cases, the Office of the Dean will use these and other information in the cadet file as a basis for an official assessment of graduate school potential. Cadets are encouraged to seek academic evaluation by instructors during the Second and First Class years.

**Qualifying Examinations:** Most graduate or professional schools require that prospective students report their score on a nationally recognized qualifying examination before acceptance is granted. Cadets are responsible for arranging to take any of the examinations which may be required for admission to a graduate or professional program.

### GRADUATE SCHOOLING OPPORTUNITIES

**Medical School:** The Medical Program Advisory Committee (MPAC) is responsible for the evaluation of cadet applicants and selection of up to two percent of each graduating class to be recommended by the Academic Board to the Surgeon General to begin medical school in the fall after graduation from USMA. Cadets applying to medical school are screened by the MPAC during First Class year. Selection is based upon academic records, successful completion of the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT), interviews, recommendations, and acceptance into an approved medical school. Those selected may attend either the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences or a civilian medical school. Those choosing a civilian medical school will receive a Health Professions Scholarship.

**Law School:** After two years of active duty, USMA graduates may apply to attend law school under the provisions of the Judge Advocate General's Fully Funded Legal Program. Selection for the program is contingent upon successful completion of the Law School Admissions Test, favorable consideration by the Judge Advocate General selection board, and acceptance into an approved law school.

**Other Graduate School Opportunities:** Other graduate school opportunities may be available to cadets in specific disciplines and branches. Please see the appropriate Department Academic Counselors and branch representatives to learn more.

### SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Cadets are encouraged to compete for a number of nationally recognized graduate scholarships and fellowships. The USMA Graduate Scholarship Committee serves as the Dean's executive agent for the scholarship programs and fellowships for which selected cadets may compete. All academic departments have a representative on this Committee. The list of opportunities for cadets may vary from year to year, and includes programs that cadets begin immediately upon graduation, are deferred until later, or are opportunities that exist only after graduation.

In a typical year, cadets who are selected into the XH (Critical Thought) program may compete for the Rhodes Scholarship, Marshall Scholarship, Schwarzman Scholarship, Gates-Cambridge Scholarship, and Mitchell Scholarship. Cadets not in XH, but approved by the Scholarship Committee, may also compete for East-West Degree Fellowships, Yenching Scholarships, Rotary Global Grants, and Fulbright Scholarships. STEM students selected into the XE program may also compete for the Hertz Foundation Scholarship, Churchill Scholarships, and select STEM-specific programs. Additionally, cadets from underrepresented communities may also compete for GEM Fellowships in the fields of applied science and engineering. All of these programs begin after graduation.

Selected cadets may also compete for the Truman Scholarship and the National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, both of which are deferred until mid-career. Mid-career graduates may also compete for the George Olmstead Foundation Scholarship. The USMA Scholarship Committee maintains the current list of scholarship and fellowship opportunities.