



Purdue Military Research Initiative (PMRI)



What is it?

Purdue Military research Initiative (PMRI) is a PhD or MS, FULLY FUNDED by Tuition Scholarships at Purdue's Graduate School. PMRI is providing 10 graduate tuition scholarships annually for officers entering in-residence graduate programs. The Purdue Graduate School oversees more than 70 graduate programs at the West Lafayette campus and nearly 30 programs at four additional campuses across the State of Indiana. There are between 50 and 100 Purdue faculty working with DoD research grants at any given time...ready to provide funded research opportunities in support of YOUR DOCTORATE OR MASTER'S DEGREE, from day one!

FREE: Tuition is paid in full via Tuition Scholarships by Purdue's Graduate School, with remaining departmental and student fees the responsibility of a student's Faculty Advisor. All tuition costs and fees applicable to completing the intended degree are without cost for both the Service and the student (please note, this does not include books). Students will receive funding for up to 3 years to complete a PhD or up to 2 years to complete a MS (dependent upon successful progress as determined by your faculty advisor and the program administrators).

DEGREES: The initiative focuses first on PhD candidates (3 year program), but will consider MS applicants (2 year program) as well, and attempts to match students with Purdue faculty working DoD funded projects. Other faculty research projects that parallel DoD interests will also be considered.

FIELDS OF STUDY: Preferably, STEM majors with application to DoD research or potential application to DoD research. PMRI will work with students to identify a Faculty Advisor in their area of study that is either doing DoD research today, is expecting to conduct DoD research in the future, or is conducting research in areas that have DoD potential interest. Though STEM degrees are preferred, PMRI will consider all applications for all majors, with the exception of Purdue's professional graduate degrees or the Krannert MBA.

Who is eligible?

Officers on shore duty, with enough time to execute their degree of choice without delaying their next milestone tour, are eligible for consideration. Current research efforts at Purdue are specifically seeking officers with significant AEGIS experience to work on a current research project with the Missile Defense Agency (MDA), and prefer students with a STEM background. **RJSCRB is required.**

How do I get a quota and take advantage of this GREAT opportunity?

- There is no quota limitation for this program. PMRI has the final selection authority, since they fund the degree. Individual merit (academic and military service) is the primary driver for selection, typically there are 3-5 quotas, Navy-wide, each year.
- Contact your detailer ASAP to confirm your career timing supports releasing you for this program, and to receive community approval to attend.
- Apply to the graduate school of your choice at Purdue University. (Application fee is your responsibility)
 - o Application is through a "rolling application" process, so applying early is recommended.
 - o When you apply, Purdue will provide a one-page application for PMRI funding specifically.
- **START AS EARLY AS SUMMER 2016!**

The Graduate School

<https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/academics/majors/index.html>

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