

APPENDIX N

SUMMARY OF STA-21(N) UNIQUE REQUIREMENTS

This appendix summarizes Regulations for Officer Development requirements unique to STA-21(N) Officer Candidates (OC). It is provided as an aid to users of this instruction as a singular location for all such requirements. Should conflict between this appendix and the base document exist, the requirement stated in this appendix shall take precedence until resolved formally.

1. Academic Standards:

a. A minimum of 15 hours per week study, monitored by class advisor/staff, is required. Professor of Naval Science (PNS) may remove OCs in good academic standing (per program requirements) from this mandatory study program after the first fall term.

b. Minimum term Grade Point Average (GPA) is 3.00.

c. Minimum cumulative GPA is 3.00.

d. Must achieve a grade of "C" or better in all technical classes (math, physics, science, etc).

e. The unit's Nuclear Power Officer (NPO) shall advise all STA-21(N) OCs.

f. Each OC must have a tailored Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program (NNPP) interview preparation plan approved by the PNS which shall be routed to Naval Service Training Command OD1 for review. Plans are due in the February prior to the summer in which the OC will interview at Naval Reactors. The NPO shall hold the OC accountable for the execution of the plan.

2. Degree Completion Plans (DCPs):

a. Prepared by OC and NPO during the first term. Routed for approval with the end of term report following the first fall term.

b. OPNAV N133, via OD1, must approve, in advance, all changes which result in a change in major, change in graduation date, or less than full-time enrollment status. Students must not act on these changes to DCPs until they have been approved by OPNAV N133.

c. PNSs may approve changes to non-technical electives, changes in the timing of technical courses, or swapping one technical elective for another that fulfills the same requirement.

d. Prior to withdrawing from any technical course, approval must be obtained from OPNAV N133 via NSTC OD1. Justification for withdrawal must be provided as part of this request. Withdrawal from a course to prevent a poor grade is not considered adequate justification.

e. Withdrawal from nontechnical courses may be approved by the PNS provided the student maintains a full-time enrollment status.

3. Grade Reports:

a. Due within two weeks of start of next term (the last term start date for a consortium).

b. Include reports of PRBs (if complete) as well as copies of probation/warning letters.

c. Include any changes to DCPs, either those approved by the PNS or by N133.

d. Discuss any unusual circumstances with any OC, including actions taken to correct/resolve.

4. Academic deficiencies and required actions:

a. If below a “C” is achieved, the OC must retake the course or take one of equal difficulty with the PNS’s approval.

b. Academic Warning is required for a term GPA below 3.00, but can be waived by the PNS based on findings from a PRB.

c. A PRB is required in the following cases:

(1) Term GPA below 2.75.

(2) Two consecutive term GPAs below 3.00.

(3) Cumulative GPA falls below 3.00.

(4) Receipt of an “F” or university equivalent failing grade in any course.

5. Disenrollment/Interview Failure:

a. Any OC who is not selected for this program by the Director, Naval Reactors (i.e., fails interview), but who is maintaining minimum STA-21(Core) academic standards, will be allowed to complete their degree and be commissioned as an unrestricted line officer.

b. Should issues arise which the PNS feels might warrant disenrollment, the PNS shall immediately provide details and recommendations to NSTC OD1. If disenrollment is recommended, the PNS shall make a specific recommendation regarding the OC’s suitability for duty in the Nuclear Propulsion Program as an enlisted member.

c. STA-21(N) OCs who are disenrolled for any reason may not remain in the core program and are not eligible for transfer or acceptance to any other commissioning program. They will be screened for return to the enlisted nuclear propulsion training program, or assignment to the fleet as determined by OPNAV N133.

d. In the case of a recommendation for disenrollment, pending OPNAV N133 approval, the OC shall enroll in the next academic term, unless this is prohibited by university regulations. The PNS shall discuss future enrollment intentions with NSTC OD1 immediately following a recommendation for disenrollment.

e. Upon receipt of disenrollment authorization from OPNAV N133, either in writing or by phone, the PNS will immediately issue an Availability Report.