



Captain's Call

E-8 Associate Degree Initiative to Begin with FY2011 Selection Board

Beginning in fiscal year 2011, an associate's degree or equivalent that is rating-relevant will be a prerequisite for advancement to senior chief petty officer.

Recognizing that some Sailors may have already begun to pursue their post-secondary education goals and that the civilian skills of Reserve component Sailors may support the Navy mission, Navy officials have established several exemptions that satisfy the new policy for Sailors who have completed, or are enrolled in, degree programs prior to Oct. 1, 2006.



Sailors may elect to enroll in a rating-relevant baccalaureate degree program from an accredited institution in lieu of an associate's degree, but must complete a minimum of 50 percent of the degree requirements to be eligible for the FY 2011 E-8 selection board and beyond.

More information on degree requirements and rating-relevant degrees for the Professional Military Education Continuum are available in NAVADMIN 203/05.

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