



ARMY WEST POINT™

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United States Military Academy

- *Greatest Leadership Development Institution in the Country*
- *World Class Education / Nationally Ranked*
- *Leaders of Character*
- *Fundamental Values of Duty – Honor - Country*
- *Service to Country*

'Leadership is the scarcest resource in the World...

West Point is the World's preeminent leadership development institution.'

For More Information: <http://www.westpoint.edu>

Army West Point Rugby

- *Varsity Corps Squad Sport*
- *Admissions Assistance for Recruited Prospects*
- *World Class Anderson Rugby Complex*
- *Nationally Ranked Program (#5 in 2015)*
- *WCAP: World Class Athlete Program*
- *Most Successful Athletic Program at West Point*
- *All-Americans and USA National Team Players*
- *50 Year Legacy: A Brotherhood since 1961*

Army West Point Athletics Video: <http://bit.ly/ArmyWestPointAthletics>

Army West Point Athletics: www.goarmywestpoint.com

Army West Point Recruiting Site (Being Built): www.wearearmywestpoint.com

More Information on how to apply and frequently asked questions on pages 2 and 3.



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Application Process Checklist

☐ Complete Online Questionnaire / Open Application

Go to http://www.goarmywestpoint.com/sports/2015/3/6/GEN_201401012.aspx and complete the men's rugby recruiting questionnaire. Then open your application file through the online portal system at https://candidate.usma.edu/guest/cq/dad_pcq_part1.cfm?field1=BW

☐ Contact Army Rugby

Email Head Coach Matt Sherman at matthew.sherman@usma.edu and Recruiting Coordinator John Banarhall at johnbanarhall@me.com

- Confirm you've submitted your questionnaire / opened your application
- Include a one page rugby/athletic resume with links to video if possible
- Answer the following two questions in 3-4 sentences each
 - 1) How will you positively impact the Army West Point rugby team?
 - 2) Outside of rugby, why do you want to come to West Point?
- Include any questions you have (read FAQs below first)

☐ Coach Letter of Recommendation

Ask your club, high school, or representative level coach to submit a letter of recommendation to Head Coach Matt Sherman and Recruiting Coordinator John Banarhall on your abilities as a leader of character, athlete, and rugby player.

☐ Visit West Point and/or attend Army Rugby Camp

We suggest all interested recruits visit West Point. Contact us to schedule a recruiting trip. We highly suggest all juniors going into their senior year and younger interested recruits attend our Army Rugby summer camp (July 28-31, 2016). This will allow us to evaluate you as a player, and you to experience life at West Point.

Camp Sign Up: http://www.goarmywestpoint.com/sports/2015/3/6/GEN_201401015.aspx

☐ Complete Application

Continue completing your application through the online portal system (testing requirements, recommendation letters, congressional nomination, transcripts, etc.) by February 28. Stay in regular communication with Army Rugby on your progress.



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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the mission of the United States Military Academy? To educate, train, and inspire the Corps of Cadets so that each graduate is a commissioned leader of character committed to the values of Duty, Honor, Country, and prepared for a career of professional excellence and service to the Nation as an officer in the United States Army. **Army Athletics Mission:** To provide an extraordinary Division I athletic experience that develops leaders of character committed to the values of Duty, Honor, and Country.

What are the USMA's military requirements? Coming to West Point is making a commitment to serve as an officer in the United States Army. Upon graduating cadets serve five years active duty and three years reserve- guaranteed job at a good salary in one of the most respected career fields. There are sixteen branches with the Army to choose from. Cadets make their final commitment to this service upon beginning their 3rd year at West Point.

How much does West Point cost? \$0. Army provides 100% scholarship – no loans, no need to work part time, as you receive a stipend while a cadet. A first year Fourth Class cadet receives a typical monthly distribution of \$961.

What is a West Point education? In 2015 West Point was ranked nationally overall (Forbes #11) and US News (#2 Small College). Academic programs include Math-Science-Engineering and Humanities & Social Sciences. In 2015 the West Point engineering departments were nationally ranked (civil #2 and mechanical #3). Liberal Arts ranked in the top 25. 92% of classes are under 20 people with a student/faculty ratio of 7/1. West Point grads have consistently been successful leaders in careers of military, business, engineering, law, medicine, and more. West Point excels in leadership development, the scarcest resource in the world.

What tests and scores do I need for admission? The SAT's and ACT's. SAT requires close to a 500 to be considered, ACT requires close to a 20 for consideration. Both the ACT and SAT requirements include requesting the essay portions with a minimum score of 6.

How does West Point support the rugby program? Rugby at West Point is a Varsity Core Squad Sport. The team has professional full time coaching, strength and conditioning coaching and medical staffing, facilities and resources, admissions assistance, and Anderson Rugby Complex, the best rugby facility in America. The team regularly competes to be one of the best rugby teams in the country. Admissions assistance includes the ability to admit a number or targeted recruits who meet minimum standards.

What rugby opportunities do I have after graduating from West Point? If you are a nationally competitive player, you can enroll in the WCAP (World Class Athlete Program). This allows you to play and train with the Olympic USA 7's national team as your service to the Army. West Point currently has three former rugby players in the WCAP program, training full time at the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista.