

Military Intelligence Scholarship

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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

ATOW-LNM-UM

24 January 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR: Association for Intelligence Officers

Subject: Letter of Recommendation for: Association for Intelligence Officers Scholarship Award (Cadet Celina Gallegos)

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to strongly recommend Cadet Gallegos for the Association for Intelligence Officers Scholarship Award. Cadet Gallegos is a resourceful and dedicated student who demonstrates sound judgment and integrity at all times. She is dependable and very focused, both of which will translate well into the attributes for a recipient of this award.
2. Cadet Gallegos serves in the New Mexico Army National Guard as a Military Policeman and she is a graduate of the New Mexico Military Institution with honors. Currently, Cadet Gallegos holds a 3.5 GPA and has been branched Chemical Corps with a branch detail of Military Intelligence. During her time in the program, she has maintained the unique ability to balance her National Guard, UNM student and ROTC requirements without missing a beat. This year she served as the cadet Battalion Commander during the Fall semester, and co captained the female Ranger Challenge Team to a 2nd Place finish.
3. In summary, I strongly recommend Cadet Gallegos for the Association for Intelligence Officers Scholarship Award. She is a strong, dedicated student, and someone I am proud to have in the ROTC program. She is intelligent, self-motivated, committed to excellence and possesses the ability to excel at any venture endeavored.
4. The point of contact is the undersigned at 505-277-2274 or tdelass@unm.edu.

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January 20, 2012

Military Intelligence Scholarship Selection Board,

My name is Celina Gallegos, and I am a senior with the University of New Mexico Reserve Officers' Training Corps program. I transferred to the University of New Mexico upon completion of Advanced Individual Training as Private First Class in Military Police. Before basic training, I graduated from the junior college program at New Mexico Military Institute with high honors and obtained an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice. Law enforcement has always been an interest of mine, but it wasn't until my senior year that I realized the route I wanted to take.

I was introduced to the Military Intelligence (MI) branch at Leadership Development and Assessment Course this past summer. Before LDAC, I didn't know exactly what MI actually did, but I soon discovered that there are many jobs available. I hope to get involved in Human Intelligence and be able to work with the behavior science portion. As a female, I'm not able to be out in the front lines, but MI will provide a way for me to help my fellow comrades that go out there and physically risk their lives. I would consider it an honor to aid their paths and counter enemy threats that they may encounter.

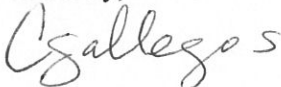
Becoming a MI Officer has become a personal goal for myself as I pursue my career with the U.S. Army. After being assessed by Cadet Command, I came out with branch detail for MI through the Chemical Corps. So, I will spend my first three years as a Chemical Officer and then advance to MI. I am extremely grateful for this opportunity because it will give me the experience and security clearance needed for my civilian life as well. After my service with the Army, I plan to use these resources and become an Intelligence Analyst with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It is the final semester of my undergraduate life, and I am excited to graduate and begin my active duty career. I will be graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology with a minor in Military Studies. My current GPA is a 3.5, and I plan to raise it before graduation in order to get into Graduate School in the near future. I plan to obtain a Master's Degree in Homeland Security or Criminal Justice before I reach the Captains Career Course.

I have always had high standards for myself and will continue to work hard to achieve what I believe. I would be honored to receive this award before I commission and begin my career as a Second Lieutenant.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,



Celina G. Gallegos