

# ***U.S. NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS***

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## **NSCC INFORMATION LETTER 3-06**

From: Deputy Director, U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC)

To: Distribution

Subj: **2006 NSCC INTERNATIONAL, CANADIAN, AND U.S. HOSTED EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

- Encl: (1) 2006 Cadet/SEO International Exchange Application package (cadet selection criteria included) **Available at: [iep.seacadets.org](http://iep.seacadets.org)**
- (2) Australia Exchange general information
  - (3) Bermuda Exchange general information
  - (4) United Kingdom Exchange (aboard HMS Bristol) general information
  - (5) Netherlands Exchange general information
  - (6) Sweden Exchange general information
  - (7) Korea Exchange general information
  - (8) Hong Kong Exchange general information
  - (9) Japan Exchange, placeholder only, **NO 2006 EXCHANGE**
  - (10) Russia Exchange general information
  - (11) Singapore Exchange general information, **NEW THIS YEAR**
  - (12) Scotland Exchange general information
  - (13) Canada East to Acadia Exchange general information
  - (14) Canada West to Quadra and British Columbia Exchange general information
  - (15) International and Canada East Exchange in Newport general information
  - (16) Canada West at Fort Lewis/Seattle general information

1. **ALL HANDS NOTE:** Cadet Costs for the NSCC International Exchange Program (IEP) for this year remain significantly reduced thanks to federal funding support, once again available in 2006. These lower costs will hopefully continue to improve cadet opportunity, generate greater interest, and result in enough applications to fill all quotas. To better serve cadets and Senior Escort Officers (SEO), assist in travel arrangements, and ensure equitability in cadet selection, NSCC LCDR Mike Campbell, Regional Director for Region 1-2, continues as the IEP Director. The IEP Director reports to the NSCC Deputy Director for all IEP matters. A committee has been established to receive and review applications, make selection recommendations to NHQ, and to assist in making international flight arrangements. Selection criteria are also at [iep.seacadets.org](http://iep.seacadets.org) for your reference. The IEP Director, NSCC LCDR Mike Campbell is responsible for chairing this committee. General information for this years' program immediately follows.

- **This letter and enclosures are posted at [iep.seacadets.org](http://iep.seacadets.org). For encl (1) application instructions click application process. For each country specific enclosure click member countries and then click on the instruction document for the specific country listed.**
- **For below listed INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS (encl (2) through (11)), NSCC NHO will pay for travel costs from major airports nearest cadet departure home locations to host country international arrival airports. The only costs to cadets will be host country exchange fees/program deposit of \$200 for two weeks and personal spending money. Prerequisites recognize more senior cadets; those who have a greater longevity in the NSCC program, have demonstrated a commitment to the goals of the program, matriculated to leadership positions, and who have maintained in their home communities outstanding records of scholarship and citizenship. **The 2006 Cadet/SEO International Exchange Application package at [iep.seacadets.org](http://iep.seacadets.org) is to be used for all applicants for exchanges detailed in enclosures (2) through (11).** All applications for these “adventure of a lifetime opportunities” will go before a selection committee, selectees and non-selectees will be notified in a most timely manner, and for those selected, travel arrangements will be made for them. **A non-refundable \$200 deposit, which will be applied towards host country exchange fees and IEP program costs will be required from each cadet at the time of selection to confirm his or her quota.** If a selectee cannot go, this non-refundable deposit will be applied towards costs to cancel and/or reschedule airline fares. Specific guidance regarding deposits will be provided for each exchange following selections. We will need senior escort officers as well, and their applications are to go before the same selection committee. For those desiring to be Senior Escort Officers, advise LCDR Mike Campbell at [seacadet1@aol.com](mailto:seacadet1@aol.com) of your interest in advance of your application. Also call NHQ Capt Nyland (703) 312-1544 or e-mail: [HNYLAND@navyleague.org](mailto:HNYLAND@navyleague.org) to advise of your interest. Application instructions and information regarding each exchange are as per enclosures (2) through (11). ISCA Forms 1 and 2 are at [iep.seacadets.org](http://iep.seacadets.org). Some ISCA host nations require these forms upon reporting. Follow instructions per encl (2) through (11) for each nation and exchange. **And, all applicants are referred to [iep.seacadets.org](http://iep.seacadets.org) for more detailed instructions and hints regarding completion of applications.** Senior Escort Officer Travel expenses will also be paid for by NHQ.**
- **POLICY REGARDING REPEAT PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS.** NSCC IEP goals are to afford as many cadets as possible the opportunity to participate in the IEP during their tenure as a cadet in the NSCC. It is also an NSCC goal to recognize and honor (by giving preference) those cadets who have demonstrated commitment to the goals of the program, matriculated to more senior leadership positions, and who have maintained in their home communities outstanding records of scholarship and citizenship as stated above. The selection committee is charged to balance these two goals using the following policy guidelines:

- Cadets may apply for repeat participation in successive years.
  - All applications will go before the selections committee and all applications will be scored (criteria at iep.seacadets.org).
  - Priority in filling quotas will be given to first time applicants who score well.
  - First time applicants scoring poorly will compete with high scoring repeat applicants for remaining quotas.
  - Selection committee is charged to select those cadets whom they judge to be the most deserving IAW program goals stated above, and those who will be the best NSCC program ambassadors with our ISCA host nations, and those cadets who will best support their SEO for the particular exchange.
- **MIDSHIPMEN ARE GENERALLY NOT ELIGIBLE AND WILL ONLY BE ENTERTAINED FOR A QUOTA IF THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH CADETS TO FILL AVAILABLE QUOTAS.**
  - **SCOTLAND EXCHANGE WITH NSCC INST SENIOR CHIEF DON WIENER, LICS USNR (Ret).** Cadets must pay their own airfare from home to Scotland. There will be no cost to cadets once in Scotland except for personal spending. Senior Chief Wiener will assist in making travel arrangements as best he can. Submit NSCTNG 001 or 002 to Senior Chief Wiener. Protocol is first come, first served for all qualified subject to SEO Senior Chief Wiener's approval. There is no competition for this exchange, do not send applications to LCDR Campbell. Follow directions in encl (12).
  - **CANADA EAST AND WEST opportunities remain essentially unchanged from previous years, with the exception that quotas for CE are fewer than in prior years.** Cadets are responsible for getting to points of debarkation, either Vancouver or Halifax, N.S., and for paying their own way to get there. For Canada East to Nova Scotia, there is no longer a Canadian C-130 airlift. Cadets will fly directly to Halifax where they will meet their escort. We did this in 2003, 2004, and 2005 and it worked well for all. A \$110 deposit to NHQ with the request for training authority is required. Pre-requisites are as per the enclosures and requests for training are to be forwarded first to the Senior Escort Officer, who will in turn further forward to NHQ for order writing. **There is no selection committee process for the Canadian Exchanges and acceptance protocol will be first come first served.** Follow directions as contained in enclosures (13) and (14).
  - **INTERNATIONAL HOSTED IN NEWPORT AND CANADA WEST HOSTED AT FORT LEWIS opportunities remains essentially unchanged from previous years.** Cadets are responsible for their own transportation to and from, Newport. The \$110 deposit goes to the SEO, with the request for training authority. Pre-requisites are as per the enclosures and requests for training are to be forwarded first to the Senior Escort Officer, who will in turn further forward to NHQ for order writing. **There is no selection committee and acceptance**

**protocol will be first come first served.** Follow directions in encls (15) and (16).

- **SPECIAL NOTE: Participants must be US citizens and have a passport for IEP program participation and crossing international borders!!! If you have any questions or concerns here, double and triple check with your SEO.**
- **LAST BUT NOT LEAST, A VERY VERY IMPORTANT NOTE:** There are always instances of truly outstanding cadets who should get the opportunity, but for some reason don't meet all the pre-requisites or criteria. To that end, prerequisites and participation criteria may be waived for outstanding cadets. Submit waiver requests with applications when you think appropriate. **AND FOR ANY OUTSTANDING CADET HAVING HARDSHIP WITH THE \$200 DEPOSIT, DO NOT LET THIS HARDSHIP PRECLUDE SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION!!!! Unit CO to advise LCDR Campbell of the hardship at time of application. LCDR Campbell and NHQ will review for determination of action to lessen the hardship if possible. No promises, but we will do our best to support outstanding cadets.**

2. The following is the list of the exchange programs for 2006. The spring exchange opportunities with Australia and Russia have been previously advertised via the 1 MC and by posting to iep.seacadets.org. Details for these exchanges are included **for information purposes only**, in that we expect these exchanges will be offered again in 2007. Summary information for all 2006 International Exchanges is as provided below.

LOCATION & (TRAINING CODE)	ARV/DEP DATES	AGE	CADET M/F	ESCORT OFF	QUALIFICATIONS
<b><u>NSCC INTERNATIONAL</u></b>					
Australia FX-AU	14-29Apr	16 or older	2 M/F	1 M/F	PO2 or above, Awarded Citation or above Not have gone before
Bermuda FX-BM	TBD*	16 or older	5 M/F	1 M/F	Same as above
United Kingdom FX-UK (aboard HMS Bristol)	20-30Jul	15 or older	3 M/F	1 M/F	Same as above
The Netherlands FX-NE	14-29Jul	15 or older	3 M/F	1 M/F	Same as above
Sweden FX-SW	3-19 Jul	16 or older	3M/F	1M/F	Same as above
Russia FX-RU	21Jul-1Aug	15 or older	2M/F	1 M/F	Same as above
Korea FX-KO	TBD*	16 or older	2 M/F	1 M/F	Same as above
Hong Kong FX-HK	13-20Aug	16 or older	2 M/F	1 M/F	Same as above

Singapore FX-SG	TBD*	16 or older	2 M/F	1 M/F	Same as above
Japan	Not in 2006	16 or older	2M/F	1 M/F	Same as above

**SCOTLAND EXCHANGE WITH INST WIENER**

Scotland (w/SCPO Wiener) FX-SC	25Jun-8Jul	15 or older	15M/15F	2M/2F	Same as above except E-3 or senior
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**CANADIAN EXCHANGES**

Canada East (to Acadia) FX-CE	23 Jul-5Aug	16 or older	4 M/F	1 F	Same as above except E-3 or senior
Canada West (to Quadra) FX-CW	22Jul-12Aug	16 or older	5 M/F	1 M/1F	Same as above except E-3 or senior

**NSCC INTERNATIONAL HOSTED IN NEWPORT RI**

U.S. International And Canada East (in Newport, RI) FX-US	23Jul-5Aug	15 or older	6 M/F	1M/1F	Same as above except E-3 or senior
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**CANADIAN EXCHANGE HOSTED AT FORT LEWIS, WA**

Canada West (at Fort Lewis) FX-C1	13-27 Aug	15 or older	4 M/F	1M/F	Same as above except E-3 or senior
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\*Dates and details pending, most likely July, early August. Cadets should apply now, do not wait. Dates will be posted on the 1 MC, and to Compass at iep.seacadets.org as soon as known. Check at iep.seacadets.org!!!

3. Application procedures are as per the enclosures. Cadets desiring to apply for more than one program can indicate second and third choices in their applications. Only one program per cadet will be approved for 2006. **For those cadets traveling at their own expense (encl (12) through (16)), do not purchase airline tickets until notified of selection by NHQ. This is generally accomplished by you receiving your orders. In all cases stay away from non-refundable tickets!** NHQ cannot reimburse for cancellations, regardless of reason. **For those participating in FX-SC with Senior Chief Wiener, do not purchase tickets until told to do so by Senior Chief Wiener. And remember, stay away from non-refundable tickets!**

4. For all cadets applying for International Exchanges encl (2) through (11) and sending application packages to LCDR Campbell in CT, if **using FEDEX, DO NOT CHECK THAT A RECEIPT SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED.** This only delays your package. **And please note that all applications must be received by LCDR Campbell not later than May 5.** Do not delay sending your application because of pending

recommendations.....get it submitted soonest. The selection committee meets right after the due date and applications received after that date will not be considered.

5. For all cadets selected or approved for International Exchange Program participation, additional guidance and/or information will be as provided either by NHQ with orders, or by the Senior Escort Officer (SEO)/COTC for the exchange. No exchange will take place unless escort requirements are met. Amplifying information will be as provided by Senior Escort Officers (SEO)/COTC, or as published in updates to this information letter.

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H. J. Nyland

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