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## Consider The Strategic Seafrontier Program SSFP at Cal Maritime

One of the unique benefits of the SSFP is that it allows students to receive a degree at a significantly lower cost of tuition and service charges than the standard program. The purpose of this letter is to introduce you to this opportunity.

The SSFP builds and strengthens the bond between the student and crew also known as the Merchant Marine. As licensed merchant mariners in their civilian careers, Strategic Seafrontier students are responsible for the safety of commercial and naval vessels operating in the world's oceans. Some SSFP students have served as a Tactical Advisor on a merchant vessel, some have served as a crew member on some of the world's most technically advanced vessels.

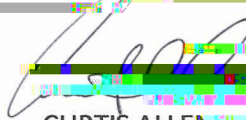
The SSFP is a unique program that provides a degree track for those majoring in marine transportation and a unique program for those majoring in mechanical engineering and military science. Upon graduation, SSFP students are eligible for appointment as a Midshipman in the U.S. Navy. Midshipmen are trained to become officers in the U.S. Navy. Upon completion of their training, they can choose to continue their education in a civilian field or to serve in the U.S. Navy. Active Duty

Eligible students can receive an appointment as a Midshipman, and the program may apply for a stipend of \$37,000 over the course of four years as part of the Student Incentive Pay (SIP) program.

Interested students (with fewer than 75 cumulative credits) apply into the SSFP through a competitive selection process looking at physical aptitude and academic aptitude. Medical qualification is determined through the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DEMERB) as well as the Coast Guard for license-track students (students are encouraged to obtain their license prior to applying). Physical aptitude will be assessed with a physical fitness test (planks, push ups, 1.5 mile run) administered at the beginning of the program. The purpose of the unit is to develop the student "morally, mentally, and physically" in order to be successful in the program. Students are required to attend physical fitness classes as well as ongoing physical fitness training. Students who do not wish to join the SSFP should not apply. Commitment.

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Respectfully,



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