If you are a legal non-citizen living in the United States and you are proficient in more than one language, you may be able to join the Army and get on the fast track to U.S. Citizenship.

Military Accessions Vital to the National Interest (MAVNI) is a recruiting program that allows legal non-citizens with in-demand skills to join the Army in exchange for expedited U.S. citizenship.

The Army is currently searching for individuals with language and culture skills in 51 languages.

EXPEDITED CITIZENSHIP

Individuals who join the Army through this program are able to move from non-immigrant visa or asylee/refugee/TPS directly to citizenship, bypassing the Green Card process. In most cases participants in the program will become naturalized U.S. citizens by the time they graduate from ten weeks of Basic Combat Training or accept a commission as Army Officers.

The military is the only employer that can offer expedited citizenship. Only military service members can naturalize without first obtaining a Green Card.

PROGRAM CRITERIA

1. Applicants must be in one of the following categories at the time of their enlistment:
   - Asylee, refugee, Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
   - Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

2. Applicants must legally reside in the United States for a minimum of two years prior to joining the Army (excluding DACA) without a single absence from the country lasting longer than 90 days.

3. Applicants must have a high school diploma, and qualifying scores on the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT) and a proficiency test in his or her native language.

4. Must be 17-34 years old and be under 35 at the time of shipping to BCT.

CURRENT LANGUAGES RECRUITED

Albanian • Albanian • Amharic • Arabic • Azerbaijani • Baluchi • Bengali • Bulgarian • Burmese • Cebuano • Cambodian-Khmer • Chinese • Czech • French (with citizenship from an African Country) • Georgian • Haitian Creole • Hausa • Hindi • Hungarian • Ibo/Igbo • Indonesian • Japanese • Kashmiri • Korean • Kurdish • Lao • Malay • Malayalam • Moro (Tausug/Maranao/Maguindanao) • Nepalese • Pashto • Persian • Dari • Persian Farsi • Polish • Portuguese • Punjabi • Romanian • Russian • Serbo-Croatian • Sindhi • Singhalese • Somali • Swahili • Tagalog • Tajik • Tamil • Thai • Turkish • Turkmen • Ukrainian • Urdu (with citizenship from Pakistan or Afghanistan) • Uzbek • Yoruba

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Bypass the Green Card process entirely and gain U.S. citizenship
- Attend high-quality training and gain opportunities for advanced schooling
- Earn a steady income with benefits for Soldiers and family members
- Gain leadership skills
- Earn money for college

If you are interested in the MAVNI language program, please visit your local recruiter.
Visit goarmy.com/mavni for more information.