

Eric Luongo joined the Navy shortly after high school and served for four years. While enlisted, Eric was the assistant LAN administrator aboard the USS Wadworth, and served as the LAN administrator and communications officer aboard the Coastal Mine Hunter USS Heron. He was honorably discharged in 2003.

Several years later, Eric decided to earn an Associate's degree in Web Graphic Design. He began attending DeVry University in 2007 after being told that DeVry graduates were making \$80,000+ in that field. He was told by DeVry representatives that the full cost of his classes would be covered by the Montgomery GI Bill and grants. However, after graduating, he discovered that what he was told were grants were in fact student loans that he would have to repay.

Eric now has over \$101,000 in loans from an Associate's degree, and has never been able to find a job in web graphic design. Today, Eric works as an Immigration Services Assistant for the Department of Homeland Security, and has returned to school to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration Information Systems from Medaille University. He is on track to graduate in June of this year.