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Undergraduate Programs

Objectives

Military Science (Army ROTC) focuses on leadership development. Students pursue the major of their choice while studying Military Science, and graduate with the ability to function effectively as leaders. Upon completion of Army ROTC and graduation from college, students become commissioned officers in the active Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard.

Instructors, textbooks, uniforms, and equipment are provided at no cost to the student or the University. All contracted students receive between \$250-400 per month (up to 10 months per academic year). Army ROTC also covers the cost of tuition and fees for Army ROTC scholarship students and provides a \$800-per-year book allowance.

The Margin of Difference

Army ROTC cadets learn to be leaders and receive hands-on experience in managing physical, financial, and human resources. They develop self-confidence and superior decision-making skills. Employers value these leadership qualities and recognize associated potential.

Four-Year Program

The traditional Army ROTC program covers four years consistent with normal undergraduate progression (freshman-senior). The four-year program is divided into two parts: the **basic course** and the **advanced course**. The **basic course** is usually taken during the first two years of college. It covers subjects such as mountaineering, land navigation, wilderness survival, leadership development, small unit tactics, weapons marksmanship, and military history. This program is designed for high-performing students who wish to try Military Science without obligation, while enhancing their leadership skills and self-confidence. Upon successful completion of the basic course, students are eligible to enter the advanced course.

Advanced course requirements are normally completed during the junior and senior years. The advanced course further develops and refines leadership competencies, and qualifies the student for a commission in the United States Army. Advanced course students receive a \$300-400 per month tax-free subsistence allowance (up to \$3,000-4,000 per year), and attend a paid five-week leader development camp between their junior and senior years.

Two-Year Program

This is a special program for junior and community college transfer students or for students who did not take Army ROTC during their first two years of college. To enter the two-year program, a student must have completed Basic Training in a military service or participate in five weeks of basic leadership instruction. This instruction usually takes place between the sophomore and junior year. Students are paid for attending this instruction, have the opportunity to compete for two-year scholarships, and may receive academic credit. Students who qualify for the two-year program are enrolled directly in the **advanced course**.

Scholarships

Army ROTC provides numerous scholarship opportunities. About 55 percent of USU Army ROTC students generally receive scholarships. High school seniors may qualify for the **four-year Army ROTC scholarship**. College students may qualify for three- or two-year scholarships. These scholarships pay the cost of tuition and fees, a flat rate for textbooks and classroom supplies, and a monthly cash stipend between \$2,500-4,000 per year. The **Green to Gold scholarship** allows soldiers serving on active duty to leave the Army early and attend college/ROTC full time while receiving scholarship benefits. Other scholarship opportunities include: **room and book grants** and the **Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program**. Call or visit the Department of Military Science for details.

Placement Credit For Veterans

Veterans may qualify for advanced course placement based on prior military experience. They can take full advantage of veteran's benefits and receive financial aid from Army ROTC concurrently.

Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP)

This program is available to advanced course cadets who wish to serve in the Army Reserve or National Guard while attending college and pursuing a commission through Army ROTC. SMP students are eligible to receive reserve drill pay, tuition assistance, other monetary incentives, and \$300-400 per month (up to \$3,000-4,000 per academic year) from Army ROTC. Call or visit the Department of Military Science for details.

Leave of Absence

If students (including scholarship recipients) wish to take a leave of absence to serve a mission for their church, they can do so conveniently between their freshman and sophomore years.

Commission Requirements

In order to qualify for a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army, each student must:

1. Complete all required Military Science instruction while attending college as a full-time student, and obtain a baccalaureate or higher degree prior to age 27 (age waiver can be granted for prior military service or other extenuating circumstances).
2. Meet medical and physical fitness standards.
3. Be a U.S. citizen.
4. Successfully complete the advanced summer camp.
5. Be recommended by a professor of Military Science.

Service Obligation

There is no military service obligation for basic course students, unless they have received an Army ROTC scholarship. Advanced course and scholarship (contracted) students incur an obligation to serve in the active Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard.

Minor in Military Science

Grade Requirements. Students must obtain a grade of C or better in all courses used toward the minor, as well as maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 for these courses.

Credit Requirements. A minimum of 21 credits must be earned in Military Science and related courses, as follows:

Required Courses (15 credits). MS 3010, 3020, 4010, and 4020; Hist 4810.

Elective Courses (6 credits). These courses must be coordinated with and approved by the department head of the Military Science Department.

Military Science Courses (MS)

Basic Course

MS 1010. Adventure Training I. Establishes a foundation for self and team development through participation in adventure training and team-building activities. Among the subjects presented are: land navigation, leader behavior and unit effectiveness, and effective time management. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as one weekend field training exercise. (2 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 1020. Adventure Training II. Emphasizes self and team development through participation in classroom and leadership lab. Subject matter includes small unit operations, branches of the Army, troop leading procedures, communications skills, and the organization of company-sized Army units. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as one weekend field training exercise. (2 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 2010. Leadership Development I. Builds on previous leadership instruction, enhancing student skills in land navigation, small unit tactics, written and oral communication, event planning, group coordination and effectiveness, and first aid. During this course, students develop basic skills for leading others in a tactical environment. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as one weekend field training exercise. (2 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 2020. Leadership Development II. Focuses on leader effectiveness. Analyzes selected historical leaders and battles, using the principles of war and other tenets. Student-led discussions highlight lessons learned relative to leadership and organizational success. Oral communication skills are central to this course. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as one weekend field training exercise. (2 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 2400. Physical Readiness. Physical conditioning course employing U.S. Army principles of fitness. Subjects include: body composition, nutrition, cardiorespiratory fitness, muscle endurance and strength, circuit training, and drills. (1 cr) (F,Sp,Su) ®

Advanced Course

MS 3010. Organizational Leadership and Small Unit Tactics. Develops leadership skills within the framework of the U.S. Army. Focuses on theory and application of decision making, planning, organizing, management control, and communications. Also emphasizes small unit tactics and advanced land navigation skills. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as three one-hour physical fitness sessions per week and one weekend field training exercise. (3 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 3020. Advanced Tactics and Operations. Focuses on theory and application of small unit tactics, leadership, and land warfare. Subjects include preparing and issuing combat orders, organizing for combat, unit and individual movement techniques, communications, and security. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as three one-hour physical fitness sessions per week and two weekend field training exercises. (3 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 4010. Command and Staff Functions. Addresses functions/roles of the commander/leader and the staff. Explores organizational planning and problem solving, written and oral communications, training management, and evaluation systems. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as three one-hour physical fitness sessions per week and one weekend field training exercise. (3 cr) (F,Sp)

MS 4020. Officer Perspectives. Conference course addressing roles and responsibilities of junior Army officers. Examines environmental stewardship, threats to U.S. security, Army modernization initiatives, the military justice system, and the law of war. A two-hour weekly leadership lab is required, as well as three one-hour physical fitness sessions per week and one weekend field training exercise. (3 cr) (F,Sp)

Additional Credit

In addition to credit for the Military Science courses with an MS prefix, students may earn credit for the following courses through the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences. These courses will be taught under various course numbers having a HASS prefix. For further information about course numbers and when these courses will be offered, contact the Military Science Department.

Directed Readings, Projects, and Research. Independent reading/research on topic(s) of military interest, under the supervision of a Military Science faculty member. (1-3 cr) (F,Sp,Su)

ROTC National Leaders Training. Five-week leadership camp conducted at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Proves an introduction to the military profession. Training includes military customs and courtesies, drill and ceremonies, rappelling, marksmanship, small unit tactics, physical fitness, and leadership. Students must contract to complete the ROTC program and pass a physical exam. Graduates will be given credit for the ROTC Basic Course and be eligible for a two-year, merit-based scholarship and an ROTC stipend. (6 cr) (Su)

Northern Warfare Training. Two-week course conducted in Alaska. Provides training in cold weather survival, climbing techniques, and small unit tactics. Prerequisites include completion of the ROTC basic course, excellent physical conditioning, and the recommendation of the Professor of Military Science. (2 cr) (Su)

Mountain Warfare Training. Two-week course conducted in Tennessee. Provides training in mountain operations, climbing/rappelling techniques, and small unit tactics. Prerequisites include the completion of the ROTC basic course, excellent physical conditioning, and the recommendation of the Professor of Military Science. (2 cr) (Su)

Air Assault. Two-week course normally conducted at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Provides students with training in helicopter operations, including sling-load procedures and rappelling. Prerequisites include the completion of the ROTC basic course, excellent physical conditioning, a physical examination, and the recommendation of the Professor of Military Science. (2 cr) (Su)

National Advanced Leadership Camp (NALC). Five-week leadership camp conducted at Fort Lewis, Washington. NALC provides students with an opportunity to lead their peers from across the country. Cadets are trained, mentored, and evaluated using the Cadet Evaluation System. NALC activities include a leadership reaction course, rifle marksmanship, land navigation, rappelling, small unit tactics, and patrolling. Open only to contracted students who have successfully completed the basic course, MS 3010, and MS 3020. NALC is the capstone event of the ROTC program. Requires excellent physical conditioning, a physical examination, and the recommendation of the Professor of Military Science. (6 cr) (Su)

Basic Airborne Course. Three-week course conducted at Fort Benning, Georgia. Provides students with training in airborne operations. Those completing the course are "Airborne" qualified military parachutists. Prerequisites include the completion of the ROTC basic course, excellent physical conditioning, a physical examination, and the recommendation of the Professor of Military Science. (2 cr) (Su)

Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT). Two- or three-week internship conducted at an Army installation in the U.S. or overseas. Working with an active duty officer, students gain firsthand experience in leading and directing the activities of an Army unit. Provides valuable insights into the military lifestyle and the duties of an Army officer. Prerequisites include successful completion of the National Advanced Leadership Camp and the recommendation of the Professor of Military Science. (3 cr) (Su)

® Repeatable for credit. Check with major department for limitations on number of credits that can be counted for graduation.