

MILITARY SCIENCE

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PROGRAMS



DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Military Science Minor

The program offers a minor in Military Science and Leadership. However, a minor is not required for the successful completion of ROTC.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) is a leadership development program allowing students to learn and apply the skills necessary to become a U.S. Army Officer. The Military Science and Leadership Department offers a program enabling students/Cadets to compete for a commission as an officer in the United States Army, Army Reserve, or Army National Guard.

REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Leadership
- Self-Discipline
- Training Programs
- Adaptability
- Negotiation and Conflict Resolution
- Military Strategy and Tactics

CAREERS

- US Army General Officer

EMPLOYERS

- U.S. Army
- U.S. Army Reserve
- U.S. Army National Guard

INSPIRED ACTION



EMPLOYMENT RATE

95.8%
of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up

MEDIAN SALARY

\$70,000

The median annual wage for Field of Degree: Military.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Field of Degree: Military, at link.mnsu.edu/military-science-salary

PROGRAM WEBSITE



ed.mnsu.edu/armyrotc

MILITARY SCIENCE MINOR

WHAT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS COMPLETING THIS PROGRAM?

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The program concentrates on 19 leadership skills that are a baseline for positions throughout a full spectrum of employment opportunities.

Graduates who go on active duty are guaranteed a job following completion of the program. Salaries and benefits for newly commissioned officers start at over \$50,000 annually. After four years, the pay increases to over \$75,000. Army officers receive 30 days of paid vacation per year, 100 percent medical and dental coverage, a housing allowance, and are eligible for pension and 401k opportunities.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year, students have an opportunity to compete for scholarships. There are two, three, and four-year scholarships available. The Army awards merit-based scholarships on a competitive basis to outstanding young men and women interested in the Army as a possible profession. Scholarships pay 100 percent tuition and lab fees, \$1,200 per semester for textbooks and other supplies, and \$420 per month tax-free spending money for up to ten months of each school year.

OBLIGATIONS

Enrollment in the first and second-year classes does not commit you to the military. It provides you an opportunity to check out the program to see if it is right for you. Courses are available to all students who want to acquire and improve leadership skills or investigate the military as a profession. Only scholarship students and contracted students entering the third and fourth years incur an Army obligation. As commissioned officers, graduates fulfill their eight-year service obligation through service on Active Duty and in the National Guard and Reserves, all in the National Guard or Reserves, or a combination thereof.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

ROTC classes serve as excellent preparation for becoming a leader and manager in both the public and private sectors. The program builds self-confidence and self-esteem that can help students develop into effective administrators. An optional minor is limited to cadets who have signed an ROTC contract and complements any academic major.

Some MSI and MSII cadets will be invited to Cadet Initial Entry Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, for additional training.

All contracted cadets attend a paid four-week summer cadet leader course at Fort Knox, Kentucky, between their junior and senior years.

In addition, participants in ROTC can compete for paid summer training and internship opportunities such as Airborne School, Air Assault School, the Nurse Summer Training Program, and Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT).

The Four-Year Program

This program consists of a two-year basic course and a two-year advanced course. The basic course is usually taken during the first and second years; students who join during the second year may compress and take both during that year. Members of the National Guard and Reserves or veterans may be eligible for advanced placement.

The Advanced Course is limited to students who have demonstrated potential for becoming an Army officer and have signed an ROTC contract. It provides instruction in advanced leadership and management techniques.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (27-28 CREDITS)

- COMM 102 Public Speaking (3)
- MSL 210 Army Physical Fitness (1)
- Choose one of the two courses:
 - MSL 252 The Evolution of American Warfare (3) OR
 - HIST 478 America in Vietnam (4)
- MSL 301 Training Management & the Warfighting Function (3)
- MSL 302 Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations (3)
- MSL 366 Advanced Camp (3)
- MSL 401 The Army Officer (3)
- MSL 402 Company Grade Leadership (3)
- MSL 403 Application of Physical Conditioning (1)
- POL 111 United States Government (4)

For more information about program requirements, visit:

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