Military Science Non-Degree

Non-Degree Requirements: 15-32 Credit Hours

U. S. Army Reserve Officer Training Program Overview
The Department of Military Science is a Senior Division Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Instructor Group staffed by Army personnel. The department provides a curriculum that qualifies the college graduate for a commission as an officer in the U. S. Army, U. S. Army Reserve or the Army National Guard. Enrollment is open to all students. The ROTC program is designed to provide students with the knowledge and practical experience in leadership and management that will be useful in any facet of society. Additionally, each student is provided a working knowledge of the organization and function of the Department of Defense and the role of the U. S. Army in national security and world affairs. The ROTC program is divided into two main phases: the Basic Course, which is normally pursued during the freshman and sophomore years, and the Advanced Course, which is taken during the junior, senior or graduate years.

Basic Course Description
The Military Science Basic Course teaches the organization and roles of the U. S. Army and introduces essential background knowledge of customs and traditions, leadership, map reading, small unit organization, marksmanship. These courses have the objective of developing the student’s leadership, confidence, self-discipline, integrity, and sense of responsibility. There is no obligation to continue in ROTC as a result of attending this camp. Additionally, each student is provided a working knowledge of the organization and function of the Department of Defense and the role of the U.S. Army in national security and world affairs. The ROTC program is divided into two main phases: the Basic Course, which is normally pursued during the freshman and sophomore years, and the Advanced Course, which is taken during the junior, senior or graduate years.

Advanced Course Description
The Military Science Advanced Course is taken during the junior/senior or graduate years. Students learn land navigation, communications, small unit tactics, patrolling, military management, staff operations, logistics, army administration, military law, ethics, and the Army system and culture. Additionally, students must satisfy Professional Military Education (PME) requirements with an approved Military History course. Students must meet eligibility requirements and sign a contract for commissioning with the U.S. Army. The general objective of these courses is to produce junior officers who will be the future officer leadership of the U.S. Army. U. S. Army Reserve, or the Army National Guard. Contracted Advanced Course students are required to attend the Advanced Camp, normally between their junior and senior academic years. This course is mandatory for all students seeking a commission in the U.S. Army but registration for university credit hour is optional. Students attending this camp are paid and given travel allowance from their home to camp and back. Students may earn three credit hours for attending this course through registration at the Registrar’s office upon completion of the course and coordination through the Military Science Department.

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Credit Hours

Basic Course Requirements
- MSCI 1510 Mountaineering 1
- MSCI 1111 Introduction to Military Science 1
- MSCI 1122 Basic Military Leadership 2
- MSCI 2121 Basic Military Skills 2
- MSCI 2122 Basic Military Tactics 2

Basic Military Skills Practicum
- MSCI 2731 Basic Military Skills Practicum (Basic Camp) (registration optional) 3

The Basic Camp Course is offered for those students who have not met the Basic Course requirements and desire to enroll in the Advanced Course program. This course is currently conducted at Fort Knox, Kentucky during the summer. Students may earn three credit hours for attending this course through registration at the Registrar’s Office upon completion of the course and coordination through the Military Science Department. Students attending this camp are paid and given travel allowance from their home to camp and back.

Program Admission Criteria
All students entering the GSU Military Science courses must have a statement from a physician attesting that the student is capable of participating in physical activities. This statement must be no more than one-year old from time of entry. Students in the Basic Course can obtain this medical statement from Health Services on campus. Students interested in earning a commission in the U.S. Army and enrolling in the Advanced Course require a Department of Defense Medical Evaluation Review Board physical, must be an academic junior or higher, have a GPA of 2.0 or better, be a U.S. citizen, have no moral obligations or...
personal conviction preventing service, satisfactorily explain any record of
arrest and/or civil conviction, be a high school graduate or possess
an equivalent certificate, pass the Army Physical Fitness Test and must
demonstrate a potential for further leadership development. Additionally,
Veterans, JROTC graduates (with at least four years of high school
JROTC), and students who have completed military science courses in the
military preparatory schools and junior colleges are eligible for advanced
placement and are not required to participate in the Basic Course.

Other Program Requirements

(9 credit hours)

Professional Military Education (PME) requires students seeking a
commission in the U.S. Army
to complete 3 credit hours in military history coursework, with a preference
in American
Military History (HIST 3230) for a Minor.

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<tr>
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1 American Military History (HIST 3230) or Readings in Military History
   (MSCI 3230) preferred

Program Options, Obligation, Financial Assistance, Scholarships and Books,
Uniforms and Supplies

Two Year Program Versus The Four Year Program

The ROTC program is designed as a 4-year course of study. However,
students who are not eligible for advanced placement and who have not
completed the Basic Course program may still become qualified for the
advanced program. They must satisfactorily complete Basic Camp, four
weeks duration, during the summer between their sophomore and junior
years. Students attending this Basic Camp at a regular army post are
paid and given a travel allowance from their home to camp and return.
Basic Camp Course can count for 3 general credit hours. Students who
have participated in four years of JROTC or are an Eagle Scout meet the
requirements of the Basic Course.

• Obligation: Once a student is contracted, he or she will incur an eight
  year Military Service Obligation (MSO). The Cadet may elect to serve
  his/her MSO either on Active Duty, the National Guard or the Army
  Reserves. Active duty requires a minimum of four years active duty
  and four years Inactive Ready Reserve (IRR). The National Guard
  and Reserves requires eight years drill status (one weekend a month/
  two weeks a year) for the entire MSO. All Cadets will incur an eight-
  year military service obligation whether they elect to go active duty,
  Reserve duty or National Guard.

• Financial Assistance: All contracted Cadets are paid a subsistence
  allowance (Stipend) of $300- $500 per month based on college
  standing for up to 10 months per year. This is subject to change
  yearly.

• Scholarship Program: Each year the U.S. Army awards two, three,
  and four year scholarships to outstanding young men and women
  contracted in the ROTC program. In most cases, the Army pays either
  Room & Board or Tuition & Fees. Those students electing Room &
  Board will receive $5,000 per semester paid directly to the student,
  while those electing Tuition & Fees will have their money paid directly
to the University. Scholarship winners also receive an allowance

for books of $1200 per year. Individuals desiring to compete for two
and three year scholarships should apply to the Military Science
Department (Army ROTC) at Georgia Southern University. Some
students who are enrolled in highly technical academic discipline
programs and who qualify for Reserve Officers Training Corps
scholarship benefits may be required to take an academic course
load that will necessitate more than four academic years of study
prior to graduation. It is possible to extend the Army Scholarships
benefit to cover this additional period. Contact the Georgia Southern
University Department of Military Science at (912) 478-0040 for further
information.

• Army Reserve Officer Training Corps Uniform, Books, And
  Supplies: Students enrolling in the Army ROTC program will be
issued U.S. Army uniforms, most ROTC required books, and supplies
by the Military Science Department. Uniforms and equipment must
be returned before commissioning or upon disenrollment from the
Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

Advisement

Department of Military Science, Military Science Building, (912) 478-5320.
Students will complete a CC 104R that will map out their college courses
until graduation.