

ROTC Programs

Aerospace Studies

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The Academic Program

Aerospace studies (AS) is part of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (AFROTC) Program. Men and women who successfully complete all requirements are commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Air Force. They then serve on active duty or may, in some cases, obtain educational delay for graduate studies. Academic courses are open to any student without obligation to the Air Force. Two-, three-, and four-year program options are available.

The four-year program is divided into two phases, the general military course (GMC–freshman and sophomore years) and the professional officer course (POC–junior and senior years). Students who have participated in JROTC or have had more than two months of active duty may have a portion or all of the GMC waived. Students are under no obligation to the Air Force until they enter the POC at the beginning of their junior year. Between their sophomore and junior years, students will attend an expense-paid, four-week field training at a continental United States Air Force base and

receive field training pay of approximately \$500. Students receive a \$200 tax-free monthly allowance while in the POC.

The two-year program consists of the POC plus a five-week, expense-paid field training on the continental United States before students can enter their junior year. No obligation is incurred as a result of attending field training, and the candidate is paid approximately \$700 while in the continental United States. Usually juniors and seniors are enrolled, but sophomores and graduate students may also qualify for the POC.

The three-year program is the same as the two-year program, except a student has an extra year to prepare for field training and to "try out" ROTC with no obligations.

Expense-paid Air Force incentive programs and specialized airmanship training programs are offered to qualified candidates during the summer terms. All interested candidates may receive free flight indoctrination through a local Civil Air Patrol/AFROTC sponsored program.

A POC incentive scholarship is available to all students who complete field training, will be under age 27 as of June 30 of their commissioning year, and meet GPA requirements

In addition, various four-, three-, and two-year scholarships covering tuition, fees, and books are available on a competitive national basis to candidates in academic majors the Air Force aligns to "critical" career fields. Current examples are computer science, mathematics, engineering, and meteorology.

Interested students may obtain information from the director at the AFROTC Building.

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General Information

The Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program provides college-trained officers with commissions as lieutenants in the U.S. Army, Hawai'i Army National Guard, and the U.S. Army Reserve. Officers may be commissioned on active duty, in a reserve component while pursuing a civilian career, or receive an educational delay and earn a graduate or professional degree. Four-year, three-year, and two-year programs are available.

The Academic Program

The four-year program is divided into a two-year basic and two-year advanced course. The basic course is for students who enter ROTC in their freshman year. With approval, students may enter ROTC in their sophomore year and compress the basic course requirements. This traditional program offers a moderately paced course of military and academic training resulting in completion of ROTC and eligibility for a commission on graduation day. All basic courses are electives, and no obligations are incurred. The advanced course includes a five-week summer camp between the junior and senior years held at Fort Lewis, Washington. Pay for the advanced course is \$200 per month during the school year and approximately \$650 plus room and board for the five weeks at camp. To be eligible for the advanced course, a student must (a) be a U.S. citizen, (b) successfully complete the basic course or its equivalent, and (c) meet other statutory and regulatory requirements.

The two-year advanced program can be taken without the basic course by students who attend and complete a five-week summer camp at Fort Knox, Kentucky, for which the student receives approximately \$600. Likewise, veterans of all services, three-year JROTC graduates, and national guardsmen and reservists may be exempt from the basic course. Should an individual qualify, select, and complete this option, he or she is eligible to receive a commission upon graduation. Students must have four semesters of college work remaining after finishing the basic summer camp (or

qualifying for the exemptions). Advanced course students must have completed 54 credits and be full-time students.

In addition to the courses summarized in the course descriptions, cadets will be required to meet professional military education requirements prior to graduation and commissioning. These requirements consist of courses in military history and computer literacy. Courses on management and national security studies are also recommended.

Optional Programs

<u>Army Reserve/ Army National Guard Membership</u>

The Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) allows cadets to participate in and receive drill pay from an Army Reserve or Hawai'i National Guard unit as an officer trainee while they complete the Army ROTC advanced course. The pay such cadets receive is in addition to the monthly ROTC spending allowance and any GI Bill educational benefits to which they are entitled.

Scholarships

Two and three-year scholarships are available. All Army ROTC scholarships are merit based and pay up to \$16,000 in tuition per year. In addition, scholarships will provide \$500 per year for books and a \$200 per month spending allowance. Applications are accepted beginning in the fall semester each year with results being announced in the spring semester.

Other

All students have the opportunity to attend airborne, air assault, and northern warfare schools. Women are encouraged to participate in the program and comprise 25 percent of the ROTC. Army ROTC courses are also offered through University of Hawai'i Community Colleges.

Advising

For general information about the Army ROTC program or specifics on eligibility requirements, contact the Enrollment Officer in the Military Science Building at 1311 Lower Campus Road or call (808) 956-7766/7744.