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reserve officers' training corps (ROTC) program

Requirements for Admission

Basic Course:

All Military Science courses offered as part of the basic course are eligible for elective credit toward graduation. Course work consists of leadership development, time management, planning, physical fitness, life skills, self confidence, and Army values. **These courses are offered free of charge and may be taken in lieu of the required Wellness course. Students do not incur any military service obligation for enrollment in the Basic Course.**

Advanced Course:

The two-year advanced course is selective and elective, in that any qualified student may apply for admission. The application requires the approval of the Professor of Military Science. Qualified students will have the following prerequisites for advanced course enrollment: have at least two years of college remaining; maintain a 2.0 or better grade point average; complete the basic course or qualify by prior military training; and are physically qualified. The advanced course leads to a commission as an officer in the United States Army Reserve or Regular Army and is pursued under a written agreement with the Department of the Army. Advanced-course contract students are paid approximately \$9,000 for the two-year course, which includes attendance to the ROTC Leader Development and Assessment Course.

Two-Year Program:

Students transferring to or currently enrolled at Tarleton, who cannot complete the basic course prior to becoming academic juniors or graduate students with at least two years remaining may qualify to enter the advanced course by successfully completing a four-week Leadership Seminar course, conducted each summer at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Academic credit, travel, and pay are granted to students attending the course. Submit applications for course attendance to the Department of Military Science by April 15.

Credit for Previous Military Training:

Students with previous military training may qualify for placement directly into the advanced course. The Professor of Military Science determines the placement for each student requesting this classification. To receive placement into the advanced course, a qualified student will have four academic semesters remaining for degree completion and an overall 2.0 grade point average.

Veterans:

Students who have prior military service may be eligible for advanced placement, provided that their active duty was completed within the last five years.

National Guard/Reserves:

Students who are currently members of the United States Army Reserve or the National Guard are eligible for advanced placement under the Simultaneous Membership Program.

Additional Information:

Students desiring additional information concerning the Army ROTC program should write to the Professor of Military Science, Tarleton State University, Mail Stop #0480, Stephenville, TX 76402 or by e-mail to Rotc@Tarleton.edu. Phone calls may be made collect to (254) 968-9188.

MS leadership Laboratory:

Practical application of classroom instruction emphasizing rappelling, water survival, orienteering, physical fitness, military small unit tactics, and basic military skills. Participating students are provided all uniforms and equipment. Participation is required of all MS students.

Special Programs

U.S. Army ROTC Leader's Training Course:

Maximum of ten credit hours. The ROTC Leader's Training Course is a four-week summer course conducted at Fort Knox, Kentucky, for students who cannot complete the Basic Course prior to becoming academic juniors. In addition to free room, board, and transportation, students are paid approximately \$800 for attending the course and the potential of receiving a \$5,000 bonus. Training includes practical exercises to enhance confidence, physical fitness, and leadership qualities. Prerequisite: Approval of department head.

Ranger Challenge:

An adventure-oriented organization designed to develop leadership qualities, self discipline, self confidence, and resourcefulness through small unit tactics and inter-collegiate military skills competition. Members participate in several field training exercises during the semester. Open to all interested and qualified students with at least a 2.0 GPA.

Adventure Training:

Available to qualified students who apply to attend Northern Operation Training (Alaska), Airborne-Parachutist Training (Georgia), Air Assault Training (Kentucky), Sapper (Combat Engineer) Leader Training (Missouri), Nurse Summer Training Program, Cadet Troop Leader Training Program (positions world-wide), Advanced Individual Academic Development, and other Summer Internship Programs (positions world-wide).

ROTC Scholarships:

Competitive two-year, three-year, and four-year scholarships, which pay all tuition, laboratory fees, textbooks, and other required academic expenses or room and board, are available. Scholarship recipients also receive a stipend of \$300 to \$500 per month during the academic year. Additional scholarship funds are available through the Military Science Department for qualified students based on merit and performance – historically, qualified students receive an additional \$700-\$1,000 per semester. Students can apply these monies towards room and board, tuition, or spend at their discretion.

ROTC Leader Development and Assessment Course:

Practical application of tactics, leadership training and practice, and arms qualification. Four weeks during the summer at Fort Lewis, Washington. Prerequisite: M S 301 and 302 or approval of department head.

Minor in Military Science

A student can achieve a minor in Military Science by completing 18 hours of Military Science, military history and related courses with at least 6 hours being advanced. The Professor of Military Science, PMS, must approve the coursework. Students may also take HIST 316 to count towards a Military Science minor.