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What is ROTC?

ROTC stands for Reserve Officers' Training Corps. It is a program of study taken in addition to regular college courses. The program includes a specified sequence of leadership, management, and professional knowledge classes as well as "hands on" leadership experience. For instance, a ROTC Cadet may be found leading classmates through adventure training, down a 60 foot rappel tower, or through a rigorous and demanding obstacle course.

What is Military Science?

Military Science is the name of the academic department that provides ROTC instruction at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Our program teaches students from **MIT** and our affiliate schools which include: **Harvard, Tufts, Wellesley, Salem State, Gordon, Gordon Conwell, Lesley and Endicott College**. We conduct classes both in Cambridge and on the North Shore of Boston at the Endicott, Gordon and Salem State campuses.

What can ROTC do for me?

- Provide realistic leadership and management experience while a college student.
- Enhance your resume. Personnel managers identify Army ROTC training with the best potential new hires in all fields of industry.
- Provide an opportunity to participate in field training exercises, adventure training, paintball and sports competitions.
- Provide broader insight into current world situations.
- Provide numerous opportunities for generous scholarships at all our schools.
- Provide opportunities for summer internships with businesses, community organizations, and military schools.
- Train you to become a future leader in academia, industry, or government.

What is a scholarship worth in the Army ROTC program?

Scholarships **pay full tuition and mandatory fees** at our host school (MIT) and affiliate institutions. In addition, stipends of **\$300-\$500** a month as well as an annual book allotment of \$1,200 are awarded to scholarship Cadets. For more details see our website at <http://web.mit.edu/armyrotc>.

What are the eligibility requirements necessary to compete for an Army ROTC scholarship?

While anyone can participate in Army ROTC, students must meet specific eligibility requirements to be awarded an Army ROTC scholarship. A student must be enrolled in one of our schools as a full time student with a GPA > 2.5, be a US citizen, and be no older than 30 years of age at the time of commissioning as an Army Officer. In addition, they must pass a medical physical evaluation by a contracted DOD physician and once a semester pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) on campus.

What is the time commitment to Army ROTC during college?

As a freshman/first year, Cadets meet once a week for class and three times a week for Physical Training (1 hour for class and 3 hours for physical training (PT)) at either MIT or our North Shore locations. Sophomores do the same. Juniors and seniors meet once a week for a 2 hour class and PT at MIT or our North Shore locations. Additional mandatory and voluntary training are offered about one other time each month.

What is the obligation to the Army after graduation?

All Cadets must contract by the beginning of their junior year. This means that they have made the commitment to enter into the Army after graduation. Most contracted, scholarship Cadets are obligated to the active Army for at least 4 years. Non scholarship contracted Cadets must serve 3 years in the active Army or 8 years in the Reserve Component as a drilling part time Officer.

Would I be able to go to graduate school after college?

Yes. Several of our Cadets have attended graduate schools to include medical and law schools directly after graduation. Cadets can apply for an educational delay during their senior year to defer their Army obligation to attend graduate school. In addition, scholarships are available to pay for medical and law school for competitive students.

For more information, contact the Army ROTC Scholarship Officer, MAJ Andrew DeForest at 617-253-4471 or by email at ajdefor@mit.edu.