Department of Military Science

General Information

Military Science courses conform to the subject requirements of the Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Department of the Army. The objectives of the ROTC program are to attract, motivate, and prepare selected students with high potential to serve as commissioned officers in the active Army, or the U.S. Army Reserve, and the Army National Guard.

The Army ROTC program, military science instruction and associated activities, in addition to providing courses required to earn a commission, have the goals of developing leadership and managerial potential, providing an understanding of the requirements and organization for national security, and instilling a strong sense of personal integrity and individual responsibility in all students.

All members of the Corps of Cadets are required to take a military science course each semester. Additional information concerning the Corps of Cadets at North Georgia College & State University is provided on page 24 and 40 of this catalog.

The Department of Modern Language and the Department of Military Science offer students in the Corps of Cadets who are attached to a reserve component unit the unique opportunity to combine course work at the University with study done at the Defense Language Institute (DLI) in Monterey, California, in order to fulfill the Bachelor's degree requirements while training as military linguists.* Such students will receive their AA degree upon completion of language course work at the DLI. On returning to NGCSU, students will maintain and enhance the skills learned in the language studied at the DLI via distance learning and will complete a major of their choice for the Bachelor's degree, including any remaining core curriculum requirements needed.

Course Structure

Military Science courses are grouped into basic and advanced ROTC studies. The basic study sequence includes Military Science I (MS I) and MS II courses in the 1000 and 2000 series, which require two classroom hours per week. The advanced study sequence is comprised of MS III and MS IV courses in the 3000 and 4000 series, which require three classroom hours per week.

Leadership laboratory periods, an integral part of Military Science instruction in addition to the classroom work, will be held for special training and applied leadership experience. Ceremonies held each semester, consisting of parades or reviews, highlight the presentation of awards or honor distinguished guests.

* Admission to NGCSU and to the Corps of Cadets does not guarantee acceptance to DLI language study. The DLI controls its own admission policy and sets its own quota each admission period. Part of the admission requirements to the DLI involves making an appropriate score on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB).
Requirements For Commissioning

The U.S. Army established the Military Qualification Standards (MQS) system to articulate the knowledge and skills required of commissionees to begin military service. The majority of this knowledge and these skills are learned while completing the basic and advanced military science courses and ROTC Leader Development & Assessment Course (LDAC).

MQS requires completion of the baccalaureate degree and at least one undergraduate course in each of the following five areas: written communication, human behavior, military history, computer literacy, and math reasoning, in addition to military science courses. The written communication, human behavior and math reasoning requirements can normally be met by completion of core curriculum courses. The military history and computer literacy requirements can be met only by taking approved courses taught by the Departments of Business Administration, Mathematics and Computer Science, and Social Sciences. Cadets are required to coordinate with the military department adjutant to ensure satisfactory completion of these requirements.

Minor In Leadership

The minor in leadership is designed for all students who spend four years in the Corps of Cadets. The leadership minor requires courses from several academic disciplines.

Requirements for award of the minor in leadership are:

1. Acceptance into the program by the Military Science Department Director of Instruction.
2. Completion of courses required for major.
3. Successful completion of the ROTC Advanced Course of Instruction. (8 credit hours)
4. Successful completion of the Leadership Internship. MILS 4300 (3 credit hours)
   a. Completion of NCOA
   b. Minimum of two semesters as NCO in Corps of Cadets
   c. Minimum of one semester as an Officer in the Corps of Cadets
5. Successful completion of two courses (6 credit hours) from the following list. Only one course can be taken from each area.

Area I  Computer Literacy

CSCI 1100 /1150 Introduction to Computers and Information Systems /
     Computers and Information System Seminar
     (Prerequisite CSCI 1100)

CSCI 1200 Technology and Learning

CSCI 1301 Computer Science I
Area II  Military History / Political Science / Sociology

HIST 3280  History of Western Warfare
HIST 4232  Studies in World War I
HIST 4660  Vietnam War (prerequisite HIST 1112 or permission from the instructor)
HIST 4860  Studies in World War II
POLS 4202  Comparative Security Issues
SOCI 3650  Military Sociology
MILS 3200  Foundations of Military Theory

Course Requirements

All members of the Corps of Cadets must be enrolled each semester in a military science class unless exempted for cause upon recommendation of the Professor of Military Science and by approval of the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Cadets are required to enroll for the military science course appropriate to their progression toward completing degree and commissioning requirements. (See “Requirements for Commissioning” section.) Students may receive advanced placement in military science for prior military service or JROTC instruction if needed for military and academic alignment. Contact the Military Science Department's Director of Instruction if you have any questions concerning placement. Female students and commuting male students not in the Corps of Cadets may enroll in one first-year military science course with the permission of the Professor of Military Science. Military Science 3200, Foundations of Military Theory, is open to all university students.

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