ROTC: Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC)

The Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) is a premier leadership training experience available to all students that complements undergraduate or graduate studies, regardless of major. Our mission is to commission the future officer leadership of the United States Army and to provide leadership instruction to non-Cadets as well. Fordham’s Army ROTC program has been fulfilling this mission for 78 years with eminent graduates such as former secretary of state Colin L. Powell and General Jack M. Keane, former vice chief of staff of the Army.

The department of military science is an academic department within the Gabelli School of Business. The four components of the Army ROTC program are military science classes, leadership labs, physical fitness and development, and outdoor training exercises and adventure-type activities. Cadets develop their leadership skills and gain knowledge they will need to successfully serve as leaders and officers in the active Army, Army Reserve, or Army National Guard.

Army ROTC scholarship Cadets receive outstanding institutional incentives. ROTC course credit may fulfill specific college or elective requirements. These courses are taken by students at no cost.

To obtain information about the Army ROTC program, scholarship opportunities, paid summer internship training and other options, call or e-mail our enrollment director, visit our website or write to

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Naval Science

Fordham University is linked by a formal written agreement with SUNY Maritime College and Maritime’s NROTC unit. This permits Fordham students to enroll in the NROTC program at Maritime and be commissioned as officers in the Navy or Marine Corps on receiving their bachelor’s degrees.

To receive a commission, a midshipman must complete all requirements for a bachelor’s degree in accordance with Fordham University rules and regulations. He or she must also complete certain courses specified by the Navy. The Navy is interested in producing top-quality officers, so midshipmen are expected to maintain above-average grades. Scholarship cadets must meet additional grade point requirements. Additionally, Cadets must earn at least a passing score on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test; pass physical fitness tests each semester; pass a physical exam; and successfully compete for and complete field training.

Those interested in obtaining more information about the four-year and two-year Navy ROTC Scholarship and College Programs should contact the Unit Admissions Officer. Please call 718-862-7201, visit the AFROTC detachment website, or write to

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Aerospace Studies

Fordham University is linked by formal written agreement with Manhattan College’s AFROTC unit. This permits Fordham students to enroll in the AFROTC program at Manhattan College and be commissioned as Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force upon receiving their bachelor’s degrees.

To receive a commission, a cadet must complete all requirements for a bachelor’s degree in accordance with Fordham University rules and regulations. He or she must also complete certain courses specified by the Air Force. The Air Force is interested in producing top quality officers, so Cadets are expected to maintain above-average grades. Scholarship cadets must meet additional grade point requirements. Additionally, Cadets must earn at least a passing score on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test; pass physical fitness tests each semester; pass a physical exam; and successfully compete for and complete field training.

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