



# **Army ROTC**

## **Reserve Officer Training Program**



### **YOU CAN TRY OUT ARMY ROTC WITH NO OBLIGATION TO THE MILITARY**

The Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) provides an opportunity for college students to receive practical, hands-on leadership experience. The course teaches students to develop management, communication, and decision-making skills in a non-threatening environment. Physical training and confidence-building activities (i.e. rappelling, obstacle courses) also provide a chance for students to be physically and mentally challenged. This training is ultimately designed to give the college student the necessary leadership skills and “ability to think on one’s feet” required to be an Officer in the United States Army.

Students who are interested in obtaining a Bachelors or Graduate degree from Wesley College may enroll in ROTC. Students may enroll as a freshman, sophomore or in their first semester junior year (or graduate first year). Upon completion of the program, students are commissioned as officers in the United States Army.

### **Financial Benefits**

**Scholarship:** 2, 3 and 4 year scholarships are available to students attending the University of Delaware. All scholarships provide:

- Full tuition and mandatory fees
- Books: \$1200 per year
- Personal spending money (stipend): \$300-\$500 per month, tax-free, during the school year
- Compete for Room and Board (must be in UD dorms)

### **Criteria for Scholarships:**

- United States Citizen
- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Physically fit and medically qualified
- Under 31 years of age on December 31 of the graduation year
- Good moral character

### **Non-Scholarship Students:**

Students can participate in ROTC without a scholarship and will receive \$450-500 per month (up to \$4,000 per year) during their junior and senior years.

## **What happens after Graduation?**

Cadets will be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. En route to the new officers' first assignment, all will attend the Officer Basic Course. The course will teach the new Second Lieutenants everything they need to know about their branch (job field) of the Army prior to arriving at their first duty station. The first assignment, which is determined by evaluating college performance, ROTC standing, and personal preferences, can be one of over 25 installations in the continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Germany or Korea.

## **Service Obligation**

Scholarship Recipients: The total service obligation will be 8 years (of which the first 4 years are active duty). At the completion of the first 4 years, the officers may elect to continue on active duty or enter the Army Reserve for the remaining 4 years. There is also an Army Reserve/Army National Guard option in which a college student can hold a civilian job and pay back the 8 years by serving 1 weekend a month and 2 weeks a year.

Non-scholarship Recipients: The total service obligation will also be 8 years, but the active duty commitment is only 3 years. After the completion of the first 3 years, you may elect to continue on active duty or enter the Army Reserve for the remaining 5 years.

## **Application Procedures**

Two and Three Year Scholarship Applications are normally completed by college freshmen and sophomores. Applications are available at the Army ROTC Department, 314 Wyoming Road, across from Gilbert Annex.

For more information or specific questions regarding the Army ROTC program, please contact the following scholarship and enrollment officer:

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# OFFICER PAY INFORMATION

## As a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant - FY 2009

	No Prior Service	2 Years Prior Service	4 Years Prior Service
Base Pay	\$31,863.60	\$33,163.20	\$40,086.00
Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)*	\$7,383.60 Tax-Free	\$7,383.60 Tax-Free	\$8,665.20 Tax-Free
Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS)	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free
Total per Year	\$ 41,923.68	\$ 43,223.28	\$ 51,427.68

## After 18 months (1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant) FY10 Estimate

	18 Months of Service	18 Months of Service plus 2 Years Prior Service	18 Months of Service plus 4 Years Prior Service
Base Pay	\$36,705.60	\$41,806.80	\$49,777.20
Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)*	\$8,604.00 Tax-Free	\$8,604.00 Tax-Free	\$8,604.00 Tax-Free
Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS)	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free
Total per Year	\$ 47,986.08	\$ 53,087.28	\$ 61,057.68

## After 4 years (Captain) FY 2013 Estimate

	4 Years of Service	4 Years of Service plus 2 Years Prior Service	4 Years of Service plus 4 Years Prior Service
Base Pay	\$60,501.60	\$63,964.80	\$67,680
Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)*	\$13,543.20 Tax-Free	\$13,543.20 Tax-Free	\$13,543.20 Tax-Free
Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS)	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free	\$2,676.48 Tax-Free
Total per Year	\$ 76,721.28	\$ 80,184.48	\$ 83,899.68

- The amount taxable by the government is only your base pay. The other amounts are tax-free benefits.
- All service spent on active duty or in the Army National Guard or Army Reserve counts towards pay and retirement. As a college freshman, you could enlist in the National Guard, serve four years in the Guard, graduate from college, receive your commission as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant and start out making over **\$51K a year!** Or apply for an ROTC scholarship and still start out making over **\$41K a year!**
- **This doesn't include benefits like full medical and dental coverage for you and your family, valued at another \$4,000+ a year.**
- **30 days paid vacation per year** along with Federal Holidays and additional "training" holidays, putting you around 47 days a year.

\*BAH changes by zip code and with or without dependents. Newark zip 19702 without dependents was used for figures. BAH can go much higher a month.

**Contact Captain Zeke Austin at 1-800-830-ROTC or [army-rotc@udel.edu](mailto:army-rotc@udel.edu)**

Refer to [www.dod.mil/dfas](http://www.dod.mil/dfas) for further financial information.