Our Mission

The Patriot Battalion recruits, trains, and develops leaders of character to serve the nation as commissioned officers in the U.S. Army. Additionally, our program motivates young people to be better citizens committed to lifelong service in the community.

Upon graduation from Providence College's Army ROTC, you will earn the rank of Second Lieutenant becoming a Commissioned Officer in the Active Army, Army Reserve or Army National Guard as a leader of Soldiers.

Leadership Opportunities Training

Army ROTC is one of the most challenging and rewarding leadership courses offered at the collegiate level. One may participate for up to two years with no obligation. While studying for a bachelor’s degree in your area of interest, you will be instructed by Cadre in leadership development, military science, strategy, and strategic problem solving. You will develop these skills outside the classroom with practical, hands-on exercises and leadership training events.

Long-Term Benefits

Throughout the program, you will gain marketable management, technical, and leadership skills desirable within the armed forces, corporate world, and beyond. Upon graduation, you may immediately lead up to 44 men and women as a U.S. Army officer, earning the credentials and experience that are highly regarded in the civilian market.

Financial Aid for ROTC Participants

There are several means of receiving financial aid as an ROTC Cadet: the National Army ROTC Scholarship, the Minuteman Scholarship, and Campus-Based Scholarships. In addition there are opportunities to receive a monthly tax-free stipend and one of 24 room and board packages offered to qualified contracted Cadets.

National Army ROTC Scholarship

- College tuition is paid in full in exchange for a commitment to serve in the Army as an Officer after graduation.
- Apply June-March of senior year of High School.
- Your High School achievements and grades determine if you’ll be awarded a scholarship, not financial need.
- Receives Cadet stipend of $420 per month for the school year.
- Receives book stipend of $600 per semester.

Minuteman Scholarship

- College tuition paid in full or $10,000 towards room and board in exchange for a commitment to serve in either the Army Reserves or Army National Guard.
- Apply March-August before start of freshman year of college.
- Receives Cadet stipend of $420 per month for the school year.
- Receives book stipend of $600 per semester.
- Must serve in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP), in which Cadet participates in Army Reserve/National Guard monthly drills and a 14-day annual training which they are paid as an E-5/Sergeant.

Campus-Based Scholarship

- Availability of scholarships vary year to year.
- Highly competitive between peers and Cadets nationwide: offering three-year, two-year, or one-year scholarships.
- College tuition is paid in full in exchange for a commitment to serve in the Army as an Officer after graduation.
- Receives Cadet stipend of $420 per month for the school year.
- Receives book stipend of $600 per semester.

Non-Scholarship Cadets who Contract.

- Receives Cadet stipend of $420 per month for school year.
- Contracting allows Cadet to compete for Army schools such as Airborne and Air Assault.
- Commitment to becoming an Officer in the Army.

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Army ROTC Program Requirements

Students taking part in the ROTC program will earn a Bachelor’s Degree, which is a requirement in order to commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army.

**Fundamentals of Leadership I with Lab (MS101)**

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to fundamental components of service as an officer in the United States Army. The basic course teaches Cadets the basics of land navigation, squad tactics and army rank structure. These serve as the building blocks of progressive leadership values, fitness, and officership.

**Fundamentals of Leadership II with Lab (MS102)**

This course builds upon the fundamentals introduced by the previous course by focusing on leadership theory and decision making. Life skills lessons in this course include: problem solving, critical thinking, leadership theory, followership, group interaction, and goal setting.

**Principles of Military Leadership I with Lab (MS201)**

Building upon the fundamentals introduced in the MS101 course, this introduction delves into several aspects of communication and leadership theory. The use of practical exercises is significantly increased over previous semesters. Cadets are required to apply communication and leadership concepts and learn critical life skills that are relevant to their future success in the Army. The semester concludes with the Field Training Exercise that is one weekend long where Cadets apply what they have learned throughout the semester in the classroom in the field.

**Principles of Military Leadership II with Lab (MS202)**

This final semester of the basic program focuses primarily on officership, providing an extensive examination of the unique purpose, roles and obligations of commissioned officers. At the core of the semester the basic course's capstone is a case study on officership. The lessons trace the Army’s successes and failures from the Vietnam War to present, placing previous lessons on leadership and officership in a real world context that directly affects the future of the Cadets.

**Advanced Leadership Program**

**Small Unit Leadership with Lab (MS301)**

This advanced course accepts Cadets with various levels of leadership competencies gained throughout life experiences that are complemented by the ROTC basic course. The instruction content and activities are intended to build leadership and facilitate the Cadets’ initial demonstration of individual leadership potential at advanced camp, while also preparing them for their future responsibilities as officers. Because the advanced course evaluation uses small unit infantry tactics as the context of assessing and evaluating leadership, the courses main focus will primarily be that of small unit tactics such as a squad up to a platoon size elements.

**Small Unit Leadership with Lab (MS302)**

This final semester of MS3 year continues focusing on doctrinal leadership and tactical unit operations at the small unit level. It includes opportunities to plan and conduct individual and collective skill training for offensive operations to gain leadership in tactical experience.

**Leadership and Management I with Lab (MS401)**

This semester of the advanced course concentrates on leadership management and begins the final transition from Cadet to Lieutenant. Early in the year, the course focuses Cadets on attaining knowledge and proficiency in several critical areas they will need to operate as an officer. Senior Cadets will be tasked with running the daily operations of the ROTC Battalion and will lead and mentor younger Cadets. The senior Cadets will run Leadership Labs and instruct their fellow Cadets.

**Leadership and Management II with Lab (MS402)**

The final semester of the advanced course focuses on completing the transition from Cadet to Lieutenant. The course begins with the legal aspects of decision making. Leadership reinforces previous instruction on the organization of the Army while introducing how the Army functions as a whole. This is the final semester and final opportunity the Cadets will have to sharpen their leadership style and philosophy. By the end of the semester the Cadets will finally be prepared to be officers in the United States Army. Upon completion the Cadets will commission into the Active Army, Army National Guard, or Army Reserves.

It’s not for everyone, just the leaders of tomorrow.