

Department of

Military Science



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Military Science is administered by the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC). The Army ROTC program is designed to produce highly qualified commissioned officers in the U.S. Army, the Army Reserve and the U.S. Army National Guard. In this sense it is very much like the Military Academy at West Point. The BYU-Idaho program is an extension of Boise State University Army ROTC.

The ROTC program encompasses a four-year period tailored to the normal progression of a student through four years of college, but Military Science is a minor field of study. Students are expected to specialize in a major field of their choice. The instruction program compliments the academic schedule of the university and is taught by professional Army officers and non-commissioned officers. Army ROTC is designed to teach principles and techniques of leadership and management in preparation for service as an Army officer and a civic leader.

To complete a Military Science degree and become an officer in the U.S. Army, a student must be a U.S. citizen and must meet the academic and physical requirements of ROTC. However, the Military Science program is designed so that the first two years of study are open to most students and 100–200 level classes can be taken without incurring a military obligation. Eligible students are encouraged to contract with the Army as soon as they have met the qualifications, but are not required to do so during the first two years. After students have completed the first two years (the basic course) and reached junior status they must contract with the Army to continue in the advanced course and be commissioned as an Army lieutenant upon graduation from BYU-Idaho.

There are different options that will fulfill the requirements for the basic course to include basic military training (a.k.a. Boot Camp) and the Leadership Training Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Alternate entry options must be approved through the Professor of Military Science.

Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP)

A program allowing for simultaneous membership in the National Guard or Army Reserve during the junior and senior year that provides additional pay (up to \$500 per month) as an officer trainee.

Uniforms and Training Materials

Uniforms and training materials are furnished by the U.S. Army.

Army ROTC Scholarship Program

Full tuition assistance is available on a competitive basis. College students enrolled in Army ROTC may qualify for a two, three, or four year scholarship. The scholarship provides for full tuition, fees, a textbook allowance, and a monthly stipend.

Extracurricular Activities

Army ROTC cadets extend academic and laboratory associations into a variety of extracurricular activities. Among these are the Ranger Club, Army Color Guard, an annual Military Ball, rafting, rappelling and more.

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Brigham Young University-Idaho 2013-2014

Minor in Military Science (179)

Minor Requirements

No Double Counting of Minor Courses - No Grade Less Than B- in Minor Courses

<p>Core Courses</p> <p>Take 1 Option: Option A</p> <p><i>Take these courses:</i></p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>MS 101</td><td style="text-align: right;">1</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 102</td><td style="text-align: right;">1</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 201</td><td style="text-align: right;">2</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 202</td><td style="text-align: right;">2</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">6</td></tr> </table> <p><i>Take this course 4 times:</i></p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>MS 115R</td><td style="text-align: right;">1</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">4</td></tr> </table>	MS 101	1	MS 102	1	MS 201	2	MS 202	2		6	MS 115R	1		4	<p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Option B</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>MS 290</td><td style="text-align: right;">6</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">6</td></tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Option C</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>Complete MS 297: Basic Training</td><td style="text-align: right;">6</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">6</td></tr> </table>	MS 290	6		6	Complete MS 297: Basic Training	6		6	<p>Leadership Courses</p> <p><i>Take these courses:</i></p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>MS 301</td><td style="text-align: right;">2</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 302</td><td style="text-align: right;">2</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 397</td><td style="text-align: right;">4</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 401</td><td style="text-align: right;">3</td></tr> <tr><td>MS 402</td><td style="text-align: right;">3</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">14</td></tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Military History</p> <p><i>Take this course:</i></p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>MS 350</td><td style="text-align: right;">3</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">3</td></tr> </table>	MS 301	2	MS 302	2	MS 397	4	MS 401	3	MS 402	3		14	MS 350	3		3	<p><i>Program Notes:</i></p>
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Total Minor Credits=23

This major is available on the following tracks:

Fall-Winter---- YES

Winter-Spring---- YES

Spring-Fall---- YES

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Course Descriptions	Credits*	MS 397 Military Science Practicum	(4:1:6)
<p>MS 101 Leadership/Personal Development (1:1:2) Selected leadership activities such as marksmanship, rappelling, water survival, physical training, drill and ceremonies, field training exercises, orienteering, field communications, and other adventure training. Lab attendance is not required but is highly encouraged. Lab attendance may affect final grade. (Fall, Spring)</p>		<p>Prerequisites: MS 301; MS 302 Culmination of MS 301 and 302. ROTC Leadership Development Accession Course (LDAC) at Fort Lewis, Washington. NOTE: This is required of all contracted students normally between the junior and senior year. (Spring)</p>	
<p>MS 102 Foundations in Leadership (1:1:2) Selected leadership activities such as marksmanship, rappelling, water survival, physical training, drill and ceremonies, field training exercises, orienteering, field communications, and other adventure training. Lab attendance is not required but is highly encouraged. Lab attendance may affect final grade. (Winter, Spring)</p>		<p>MS 401 Developing Adaptive Leaders (3:3:0) Prepares the prospective Army officer for initial assignment. Covers military staff organization and responsibilities, military intelligence, logistics, maintenance and supply; and an introduction to military justice. (Fall)</p>	
<p>MS 115R Basic Course Physical Fitness (1:0:3) Repeatable Course: may earn maximum of 4 credits Prerequisites: MS 101; MS 102; MS 201; MS 202 Open to all students. Optional for students in MS 101 and 102; required in MS 201 and 202 if contracted. Participate in and learn to lead a physical fitness program. Emphasis on the development of an individual fitness program and the role of exercise and fitness in one's life. (Fall, Winter, Spring)</p>		<p>MS 402 Leadership in a Complex World (3:3:2) Includes discussions of ethics and human relations, counseling techniques, military service in today's society, obligations and responsibilities of an officer, and coordination and operation of the military team. Students receive leadership assessments. (Winter)</p>	
<p>MS 201 Applied Tactical Leadership (2:2:2) Principles of war, advanced map reading with practical experience, and U.S. military policy. MS 201 will include a variety of subjects that deal with tactical and interpersonal leadership problems. (Spring Fall)</p>		<p>MS 497R Directed Study/Projects (3:0:0) Repeatable Course: may earn maximum of 6 credits Provides senior students with the opportunity to apply the skills they have learned. Requires simultaneous membership in ROTC and Army Reserve/National Guard. (Fall, Winter, Spring)</p>	
<p>MS 202 Innovative Tactical Leadership (2:2:2) Fundamentals of leadership: communicative skills, counseling, problem solving, time management, discipline ethics, and the role of the non-commissioned officer. (Winter)</p>			
<p>MS 290 ROTC Leaders Training Course (6:0:0) Introduction to military science for students having little or no military experience. Provides experiences in management, teaching, first aid, physical conditioning. Qualifies student for ROTC Leadership Development Accession Course (LDAC). (Fall, Winter Fall)</p>			
<p>MS 297 Basic Training (6:0:0)</p>			
<p>MS 301 Adaptive Team Leadership (2:2:2) Course includes a variety of subjects that deal with tactical and non-tactical leadership problems. The course includes instruction in the following areas: applied leadership, basic rifle marksmanship, individual tactical skills, land navigation, and cadet common task subjects. Lab attendance is required. (Fall)</p>			
<p>MS 302 Leadership-Changing Environments (2:2:2) Prerequisites: MS 101; MS 102; MS 201; MS 202; MS 290; MS 291 Course includes a variety of subjects that deal with tactical and non-tactical leadership problems. The course includes instruction in the following areas: applied leadership, basic rifle marksmanship, individual tactical skills, land navigation, and cadet common task subjects. Lab attendance is required. (Winter)</p>			
<p>MS 350 U.S. Military History (3:3:0) Prerequisites: MS 101; MS 102; MS 201; MS 202; MS 290 Survey of the origins and development of the U.S. military, with appropriate attention to developments outside the U.S. (Fall)</p>			
<p>MS 380 ROTC Nurse Summer Training Program (3:3:0) Prerequisites: MS 101; MS 102; MS 201; MS 202; MS 290 A 3 week/120 hour clinical leadership experience with an Army Nurse Corps preceptor at an Army hospital in the US or overseas after completion of ROTC Leadership Development Accession Course (LDAC). (Fall)</p>			

