ROTC Courses

About Course Numbers:

Each Carnegie Mellon course number begins with a two-digit prefix that designates the department offering the course (i.e., 76-xxx courses are offered by the Department of English). Although each department maintains its own course numbering practices, typically, the first digit after the prefix indicates the class level: xx-1xx courses are freshmen-level, xx-2xx courses are sophomore level, etc. Depending on the department, xx-6xx courses may be either undergraduate senior-level or graduate-level, and xx-7xx courses and higher are graduate-level. Consult the Schedule of Classes *(*https://enr-apps.as.cmu.edu/open/SOC/SOCServlet*) each semester for course offerings and for any necessary pre-requisites or co-requisites.*

30-101 Introduction to Military Leadership

Fall: 5 units
In this course, students will be introduced to the fundamentals of Army leadership, management and basic military skills. The course emphasizes the Army's "Principles of Leadership" and familiarizes the student with rifle marksmanship, orienteering and map reading, rappelling, basic lifesaving skills and the wear of the Army uniform. In addition, students will enhance their time management, decision-making and physical fitness abilities. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided.

30-102 Foundations of Leadership

Spring: 5 units
This course is a continuation of the subjects and skills taught in 30101. In addition to extending the student's abilities in the areas of leadership, orienteering and map reading, lifesaving and other basic military concepts, the course also introduces the student to the employment of military units. Individual topics covered include the Army's emerging technological enhancements, the Army organization and structure and the wartime policies and principles. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided.

30-201 Leadership Dynamics and Application

Fall: 5 units
In this course, students will delve more deply ino the Army's leadership and management techniques, including the application of those techniques in faculty-supervised practical exercises. The course also seeks to enhance the student's abilities in orienteering and map reading, terrain analysis, advanced lifesaving techniques and physical fitness. Students are introduced to the values that define the United States Army as an American institution, and each student continues to enhance his or her physical development under the supervision of the faculty. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided.

30-202 Applications in Leadership and Combat Power

Spring: 5 units
This course continues the study of the topics covered in 30201 and focuses upon practical application of the leadership and management techniques learned in the fall semester. The student develops and applies advanced map reading, terrain analysis, problem-solving and decision-making skills in practical exercises. Additionally, the student is introduced to the Army's formal orders process, used to maneuver and sustain Army forces on the modern battlefield. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided.

30-301 Basic Leader Planning and Combat Operations

Fall: 5 units
This course offers an in-depth analysis and focused practical application of leadership and management techniques. The emphasis in the course is on leader development and the goal is to enhance the student's ability to perform effectively in a stressful decision-making environment. As such, time management, decision-making, advanced military skills, troop-leading procedures and advanced physical training are emphasized. The course requires participation in a demanding physical training program to prepare contracted students for the Army's R.O.T.C. Leader Development and Assessment Course (LDAC). Each student must participate in field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided. Prerequisites: Class is open only to contracted students. Veterans with two or more years of service may enroll with approval.

30-302 Advanced Leader Planning and Combat Operations

Spring: 5 units
This course builds upon the foundation laid in the fall semester with the objective of fully preparing contracted students for participation in the Army's challenging R.O.T.C. Leader Development and Assessment Course (LDAC). The course extends and enhances the student's leadership, management, communication, fitness and basic military skills in preparing the student for commissioning as an officer in the United States Army. Practical exercises are used to reinforce all of the skills that the student has developed over the course of the military science instruction. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided. Prerequisites: Class is open only to contracted students. Veterans with two or more years of service may enroll with approval.

30-401 Progressive Leadership Theory and Applications

Fall: 5 units
This course is the first of two semester courses that serve as a capstone designed to transition the student from cadet to U.S. Army officer. Students are assigned to command and staff positions within the cadet battalion, corresponding to those found in United States Army units. Students perform the duties of the staff or command as assigned and interact with the other cadets as part of a functioning command organization. In addition to studying the operations and organizations of the U.S. Army, students are required to plan and execute the required training and activities in leading the underclasss cadets. A variety of topics of current interest are covered. Guest speakers are commonly invited to discuss their military experiences or their perspectives on military-related topics. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided. Prerequisites: Class is open only to contracted students.

30-402 Transition to the Profession of Arms

Spring: 5 units
This capstone course completes the transition from cadet to Army officer and concludes with the student's commissioning into the United States Army. During the semester, students continue to act in accordance with their assigned staff and command responsibilities and they prepare for their duties as a Lieutenant in the Army. This course covers personal and performance counseling, evaluation of subordinate leaders and team-building skills as well as military justice and discipline. Students bring to bear all of the skills and knowledge that they have accrued over the prior semesters in the Department of Military Science. Each student must participate in physical training, field training exercises and is expected to wear the Army uniform, which will be provided. Prerequisites: Class is open only to contracted students.

32-100 Naval Laboratory

Fall and Spring: 3 units
Military drill, physical fitness, and leadership seminars.

32-101 Introduction to Naval Science

Fall: 6 units
A general introduction to the naval profession and to concepts of Seapower. Instruction emphasizes the mission, organization, and warfare components of the Navy and Marine Corps. Included is an overview of officer and enlisted ranks and rates, training and education, and career patterns. The course also covers naval courtesy and customs, military justice, leadership, and nomenclature. This course exposes the student to the professional competencies required to become a naval officer.

32-102 Seapower and Maritime Affairs

Spring: 6 units
This course surveys US naval history from its European origins to the present with emphasis on major developments and the geopolitical forces shaping these developments. Also included is discussion of the theories and writings of naval historian and strategist Alfred Thayer Mahan. The course will finish by covering present day concerns in seapower and maritime affairs including the economic and political issues of merchant marine commerce, the law of the sea, the navy and merchant marine of the former Soviet Union (FSU), and a comparison of US and FSU maritime strategies to include the rise and decline of the Soviet Navy.

32-200 Naval Laboratory

Fall and Spring: 3 units
Military drill, physical fitness, and leadership seminars.

32-201 Leadership & Management

Fall: 9 units
This course is a comprehensive advanced-level study of organizational behavior and management. Topics include a survey of the management functions of planning, organizing, and controlling; an introduction to individual and group behavior in organizations; an extensive study of motivation and leadership. Major behavioral theories are explored in detail. Practical applications are explored by the use of experiential exercises, case studies, and laboratory discussions. Other topics developed include decision-making, communication, responsibility, authority and accountability.

32-212 Navigation

Spring: 9 units
An in-depth study of piloting and an introduction to celestial navigation theory. Students learn piloting skills including the use of charts, visual and electronic aids, and the theory and operation of magnetic and gyro compasses. Students develop practical skills in both piloting and celestial navigation. Other topics include tides, currents effects of wind and weather, plotting, use of navigation instruments, types and characteristics of electronic navigation systems, and the typical day's work in navigation. Also included is a study of the international and inland rules of the nautical road, relative motion, vector analysis theory, and relative motion problems.

32-300 Naval Laboratory

Fall and Spring: 3 units
Military drill, physical fitness, and leadership seminars.

32-310 Evolution Of Warfare

Fall: 9 units
This course is to provide the student with a very basic understanding of the art and concepts of warfare from the beginning of recorded history to the present day. The intent of the curriculum is to familiarize the student with an understanding of the threads of continuity and the interrelations of political, strategic, operational, tactical, and technical levels of war from the past, while bringing into focus the application of these same principles and concepts to the battlefields of today and the future.

32-311 Naval Ship Systems I-Engineering

Fall: 9 units
A detailed study of ship characteristics and types including ship design, hydrodynamic forces, stability, compartmentalization, propulsion, electrical and auxiliary systems, interior communications, ship control, and damage control. Included are basic concepts of the theory and design of steam, gas turbine, internal combustion, and nuclear propulsion. Shipboard safety and firefighting are also discussed.

32-312 Naval Ship Systems II-Weapons

Spring: 9 units
This course outlines the theory and employment of weapons systems. The student explores the processes of detection, evaluation, threat analysis, weapon selection, delivery, guidance and explosives. Fire control systems and major weapon types are discussed, including capabilities and limitations. The physical aspects of radar and underwater sound are described in detail. The facets of command, control, and communications are explored as a means of weapons system integration.

32-400 Naval Laboratory

Fall and Spring: 3 units
Military drill, physical fitness, and leadership seminars.

32-402 Leadership and Ethics

Spring: 9 units
The study of naval junior officer responsibilities. The course exposes the student to a study of ethics, decision making and responsibility as well as counseling methods, military justice administration, naval human resources management, directives and correspondence, naval personnel administration, material management and maintenance and supply systems. This capstone course in the NROTC curriculum builds on and integrates the professional competencies developed in prior course work and professional training.

32-410 Amphibious Warfare/Operations & The Fundamentals of Maneuver Warfare

Spring: 9 units
A historical survey of the development of amphibious doctrine and the conduct of amphibious operations. Emphasis is placed on the evolution of amphibious warfare in the twentieth century, especially during World War II. Focus is applied to four main themes: political/strategic situation, sea-to-land transitions, tactics ashore, and development of amphibious technology. Present day potential and limitations on amphibious operations, including the rapid deployment force concept, are explored.

32-411 Naval Operations and Seamanship

Fall: 9 units
Designed as an introduction to naval operations and shipboard evolutions, vessel behavior and characteristics in maneuvering, applied aspects of ship handling, and afloat communications. This course builds upon the information presented in Navigation 32-212, Engineering 32-311, and Weapons Systems 32-312. An understanding of the nautical rules of the road, relative motion and vector analysis are utilized in discussion regarding the conduct of naval operation to include formation tactics and ship employment. The student will also be introduced to the various components of naval warfare and their role in sea control and power projection missions within naval and joint operations.