



# ARMY ROTC

## FIGHTING FALCON BATTALION



AT BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

### Department of Military Science and Leadership

#### **Any undergraduate or graduate department/major**

Army ROTC offers the chance to enrich college experiences and achieve full potential—while at Heidelberg and after graduation. There are several reasons Heidelberg students choose ROTC as an academic option. Some students are eager to develop special leadership qualities. Others find the scholarships and financial incentives particularly attractive or seek opportunities for challenge, competition, travel and adventure. And still others choose ROTC because it provides a comfortable network of friends who learn how to work and have fun together.

#### **Career Opportunities**

Each year, about half of the program's graduates begin civilian careers in their chosen field. At the same time these graduates begin service as commissioned officers in the Army National Guard or Army Reserve, fulfilling the military commitment with "part-time" weekend and summer assignments.

The other half choose to serve full-time on active duty and make the Army a career, or more commonly, are delaying their entry into the civilian job market in favor of the travel, adventure and work experiences available in the United States and abroad. The active service obligation is typically four years.

ROTC graduates routinely secure leadership positions because they are self-disciplined, capable of leading others and managing resources.

All graduates, whether they choose the National Guard, Reserve or Active Duty, complete about four to six months of specialty training in one of the Army's 16 major branches. All expenses, full salary and benefits are paid during this training.

#### **Curriculum**

Heidelberg in cooperation with BGSU Army ROTC offers both two-year and four-year Army ROTC programs. Students complete the requirements by enrolling in a two- or three-semester credit hour course each term while pursuing a chosen major in any academic department. ROTC courses count as electives in the major program.

A student may complete up to 4 semesters of ROTC without a military obligation. In the advanced course, students participate in a 35-day paid military internship (Advance Camp) during the summer after their junior year at Ft. Knox.

Army ROTC courses are offered through the BGSU Department of Military Science and emphasize leadership and management qualities as well as basic military skills and physical training. The introductory courses, Military Science 100 and 101, present benefits and objectives of Army ROTC and are especially recommended for freshmen considering the program.



#### **ROTC Obligation**

As a Heidelberg student, you will be expected to complete physical training on your own and schedule to take the Army Physical Fitness Test at BGSU once a semester. You will also be required to drive to BGSU's campus on Thursdays to attend class and leadership lab which occurs between 1:30-6:00pm.

#### **Special Programs**

All students enrolled in military science courses are eligible to participate in a variety of related student organizations and activities that offer a support network of friends.

**Ranger Club** fosters small unit tactics and outdoor adventure as well as competitive teams and individuals at regional competitions.

**Royal Greens** is a community outreach group that impacts the citizens of Bowling Green and surrounding communities.

**Pershing Rifles** is an organization based on drill and ceremony programs, regional drill meet competitions and local color guards.

#### **Financial Assistance**

Army ROTC offers a wide range of financial assistance. Students compete each year for scholarships which pay all tuition, most fees and an annual \$1,200 book fee. Scholarship winners and contracted cadets will receive a tax free monthly stipend of \$420.

#### **The University**

The University offers a strong liberal arts curriculum with solid career preparation. With 32 majors, 29 minors, concentrations, and pre-professionals programs, it's easy to find what you're looking for, and even some things you didn't know you were.

#### **For Further Information**

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