

NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY



What Is ROTC?

ROTC is a leadership program that complements and enhances your college education while training you to become an officer in the US Army. ROTC offers scholarships that can cover full tuition and room/board fees while also guaranteeing entry into a high-paying career directly after graduation and commissioning as a Second Lieutenant. Army ROTC also offers entry into the Army Reserves or the Army National Guard, so you can serve your country and have a civilian career simultaneously.

Northern Michigan University Army ROTC: A Noteworthy Program.

The Wildcat Battalion of Army ROTC is growing, dynamic and yet closeknit program which allows for individualized instruction under which cadets excel both within the program and academically. The Wildcat Battalion receives outstanding support from the university. In fact, NMU is consistently named a "Military Friendly School by G.I. Jobs magazine."a designation that ranks NMU in the top 15 percent of colleges and universities nationwide. The Wildcat Battalion has a longstanding tradition of excellence, and our cadets continue to earn recognition for both the university and ROTC program. NMU students, including our cadets, enjoy outstanding facilities on a modern technologically advanced campus with exceptional amenities in an academic environment that thrives on excellence and shared experiences. Building leadership skills and serving the community are inherent to the NMU ROTC experience. For these reasons and more, NMU's Wildcat Battalion Army ROTC is often identified as a "program of choice" for students who seek a noteworthy place in which to learn, lead, and serve their country.

NMU's Military Science and Leadership Program

Students enroll in an Army ROTC curriculum (16–24 credit hours of elective instruction which are fully creditable as a Minor in Military Science) over two to four years taught by distinguished faculty in the Department of Military Science and Leadership.

- **Basic Course** (years one and two open to all students without military obligation) Students participate in courses and practical exercises in land navigation, tactics, and decision-making, and acquire general knowledge of the U.S. Army. Important components include weekly leadership classes and labs, and morning (M-W-F) PT sessions to develop a healthy lifestyle.
- Advanced Course (years three and four for students who meet Army contractual requirements and want to serve in the U.S. Army upon graduation; experienced soldiers may be able to proceed directly to the Advanced Course) ROTC students continue to develop their ability to evaluate situations, make decisions and practice traits considered essential in leaders. They also learn to motivate subordinates, win their confidence, and supervise them effectively.
- **Cadet Summer Training (CST)** (four weeks over the summer between junior and senior years required of all students seeking a commission) Cadets demonstrate the skills and leadership qualities learned in prior ROTC courses and hone the fundamentals of soldiering including physical training, marksmanship, tactical operations, map reading and land navigation. Students are compensated during this course.
- **Optional Summer Training Opportunities** include Army's Airborne or Air Assault schools, three-week summer cadet leadership internships (CTLT) in active duty Army units (U.S. or overseas) or nursing internships in Army hospitals. In the Army's Project Global Officer (GO) program, cadets receive scholarships to study a foreign language at a domestic or overseas institution in order to enhance the institutional knowledge of the officer corps.



"Northern Michigan University is proud of the history and success of its long-time U.S. Army ROTC program, where many leaders have developed and have gone on to great careers, in and out of the military. Northern supports the program through financial scholarships, access to worldclass facilities and top-caliber academic and student experiences. We strongly advocate for military students at all levels, from cadets to veterans. and our location in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, which is known for its deeprooted tradition of military service, creates an outstanding environment for emerging leaders."

Brock Tessman, Ph.D., President, Northern Michigan University



Minimum ROTC Requirements

- U.S. citizen
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Between ages of 17 and 30
- ACT of 19 (excluding writing)
- Or, SAT of 920 (Math and Verbal)
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.5
- Meet Army physical requirements
- At least two years remaining in a college degree program

Army ROTC Complements Your Education

Army ROTC, the largest branch of ROTC, is one of the most demanding, technologically advanced and successful leadership organizations in the world. The training a student receives in Army ROTC teaches leadership development and decision-making skills in addition to other career training. Cadets have the same academic schedules as other college students and can choose to major in nearly any academic area. Cadets participate in the full college experience. They join fraternities and sororities. They participate in varsity team and individual sports and take part in community service projects. At the same time, they receive officer training by taking courses each semester through the campus ROTC unit and participating in training exercises during the school year and extended training activities during the summer. Upon completion, Army ROTC graduates are commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army. ROTC graduates make up nearly 80 percent of newly commissioned U.S. Army officers. The Army offers a wider range of career opportunities in more places around the world than any other U.S. military branch.

Army ROTC Scholarships

High School junior and seniors as well as college undergraduate and graduate students may apply for competitive, merit based scholarships (two, three or four years) that cover college tuition and fees, or room and board at the student's option. ROTC Scholarships also provide a book allowance (up to \$1200 a year) and a monthly stipend (\$420/mo

for 10 months) in return for an obligation to perform military service after graduation. Some students may also qualify for benefits earned through the G.I. Bill/Army College Fund. All Army ROTC scholarship winners, or students who enter the Army ROTC Advanced Course, agree to complete an eight-year period of service. Cadets who compete and are selected



for active duty serve three years (non-scholarship recipients) or four years (scholarship recipients) on active duty. The remaining years of their commitment (if they choose to leave the service) can be served in the National Guard, Army Reserves or in the Inactive Ready Reserves (IRR). Cadets who serve in the National Guard or Army Reserves immediately after commissioning serve at least six years before going into the IRR.



Army ROTC Teaches You To Lead



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World-Class Facilities

The Wildcat Battalion enjoys dedicated academics facilities and logistics spaces in Hedgcock Hall which is centrally located within the campus mall and only a short ways from down-campus residence halls. Close by are all other academic buildings, campus eateries, and the Learning Resource Center (LRC). The battalion's administrative offices are in nearby Gries Hall and feature the Cadet Library, the Cadet Lounge, conference room and dedicated study areas. Gries Hall allows ready access, via a walkway, to the University Center, campus book store, and the highly popular up-campus dining facility the Wildcat Den. Physical Training is conducted in the world famous Superior Dome and the adjoining Physical Education and Instruction Facility (PEIF).







The Wildcat Battalion also has complete access to excellent outdoor training facilities all over Michigan's Upper Peninsula! Cadets learn outdoor skills such as land navigation, summer and winter survival skills, and basic tactics at the nearby Greywalls Golf Course. This nearby training area is also home to miles of mountain biking, hiking, and cross country ski trails. Cadets also hone their rappelling and rope skills at ROTC Rock and participate in FTXs and Ranger Challenge competitions at Fort McCoy in Wisconsin. Sure, you can take ROTC at other schools, but it's a lot more fun in the Upper Peninsula!

Academics

- NMU offers over 147 degree programs including 25 graduate programs.
- More than 75 percent of NMU's 300-plus full-time faculty members have doctorates or the highest degree in their fields, and a hallmark of the NMU experience is that full-time faculty members teach at all levels - freshmen through graduate courses.
- NMU is one of the largest notebook computer campuses in the United States, with all full-time students receiving either a ThinkPad or MacBook as part of tuition.



Campus

The NMU campus recently completed a 5 year modernization campaign which includes a renewed academic mall and the completion of many new academic facilities such as the new Jamrich Hall, the home of Campus Cinemas, and the Seaborg Science Complex, one of Michigan's premier math and science facilities. The 360 acre park-like campus is readily accessible from campus residence halls and features a Starbucks as well as a wide variety of unique eateries, student lounges and study areas. The campus mall is one of the country's most wired and wireless campuses and is completely covered by NMU's nationally recognized WiFi and WiMax networks.

Marquette

The City of Marquette, with a population of over 20,000, is the largest city in the Upper Peninsula but retains the welcoming and friendly nature of a small college town. Nestled along the shore of Lake Superior in the rugged beauty of Northern Michigan, Marquette offers all the modern conveniences sought by college students. The immediate surroundings of Marquette and NMU's campus provide a wealth of cultural and recreational activities which are guaranteed to make for a most memorable and unique college experience.



ROTC Scholarships

The U.S. Army ROTC program has the largest merit-based scholarship program of all the armed forces. As such there are numerous ways to obtain college funding. Earning an ROTC Scholarship allows you to focus on your education, not on how to pay for it. There are two ways to earn an ROTC Scholarship. High School Juniors and Seniors may apply for a National Scholarships and Undergraduate and Graduate students, with at least two years remaining in their studies, may apply for Campus-Based Scholarships.



ROTC Scholarships:

- Full Tuition and Fees or up to \$12,000/Year cash option
- NMU room and board grants
- \$1200/Year book stipend
- \$420/Month Living Expenses Stipend



Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty (GRFD) Scholarship:

- Full Tuition and Fees or up to \$12,000/Year cash option
- Paid summer training
- \$1200/Year book stipend
- \$420/Month Living Expenses Stipend
- Guaranteed commission into the National Guard or Army Reserve

Other Funded Programs

Active Duty Soldiers may participate in ROTC through the Green to Gold Program (G2G). U.S. Army Reserve and Michigan National Guard Soldiers may participate in Army ROTC through the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP).



U.S. Army Green to Gold:

The **Green to Gold (G2G) program** seeks talented young enlisted soldiers who have decided to complete their education and desire to serve as commissioned officers. Soldiers may participate in ROTC several ways:

- Green to Gold Scholarship Option
- Green to Gold Active Duty Option
- Green to Gold Non-Scholarship Option

The scholarship option provides the same benefits as an ROTC Scholarship. Active duty and non-scholarship soldiers use available GI Bill benefits. All G2G participants are eligible for university offered aid and incentives.



U.S. Army Reserve SMP:

- \$4000 Federal Tuition Assistance
- Montgomery GI Bill Benefits
- Montgomery GI Bill Kicker, if qualified
- \$420/month ROTC Stipend
- \$250+ Monthly Drill Pay

Michigan National Guard SMP:

- \$4500 National Guard Tuition Assistance
- Up to \$4000 Federal Tuition Assistance
- NMU Tuition Grant up to 45% of tuition
- Montgomery GI Bill Benefits
- Montgomery GI Bill Kicker, if qualified
- \$420/month ROTC Stipend
- \$250+ Monthly Drill Pay
- Commission into Active, National Guard, or Army Reserve component



- All ROTC Cadets are eligible for NMU Merit Scholarships as well as Federal Loans and Grants
 NMU offers Room and Board Grants to qualified ROTC Cadets.
- All ROTC Cadets are eligible for NMU's Laptop initiative and receive a laptop for use throughout their enrollment in NMU and ROTC.





"My favorite ROTC experience has been team breakfasts with the battalion after morning PT"

Zhivanna Magdaleno grew up in Houston, TX. There she participated in JROTC for 4 years and had the highest PT score in her unit. Zhivanna came to NMU to major in Political Science with a concentration in International Relations. An SMP cadet, she is a Human Resources Specialist in the 107th Engineer Battalion HHC. Zhivanna is also a starter on the women's wrestling team at NMU. A strong member of her class, Zhivanna can usually be seen motivating her fellow cadets at PT or lab, and leading by example with her constantly positive attitude. She hopes to commission as a Military Intelligence officer.

Zhivanna Magdaleno

Year: Sophomore, MSII Cadet Major: Political Science with an International Relations focus and a Military Science minor From: Houston, TX Career goal: Military Intelligence Officer

Succeed As An Officer Or In Any Civilian Career You Choose

Benefits that last a lifetime

Some soldiers choose to build lifelong careers in the Army. Others decide to pursue opportunities in the civilian world. Whatever path you choose, the Army supports your decision with programs and guidance to help you succeed.

What kind of salary and benefits will I earn as a commissioned Army officer?

Officers earn both a base salary and a basic allowance for housing (BAH) that is tax-free and calculated by the cost of living at your duty station. A newly commissioned 2LT living at Fort Moore, GA will earn \$3600/mo in base pay and \$1600/mo in BAH, coming to an annual salary of about \$63,000. Once that 2LT achieves the rank of Captain (typically done in 4 years), the combined monthly pay has increased to \$8400, which is an annual salary of \$101,000. This is in addition to full and free healthcare coverage, and any additional bonuses or allowances earned for extra qualifications.

What is the typical career path for an Army officer?

Army ROTC graduates are commissioned as U.S. Army second lieutenants. They then receive specialized training in one of 17 different Army branches. During their Army careers, they receive regular professional training as they advance through the ranks, and have many opportunities for advanced leadership positions and post-graduate education.

What good is Army ROTC outside of the Army?

Army ROTC programs place a strong focus on leadership. This training is invaluable for any career that involves leading, managing and motivating people or fostering teamwork. Young Army officers are typically responsible for hundreds of soldiers and millions of dollars of equipment; this kind of management experience can take years to reach in the civilian world. In fact, many companies specifically seek young officers, departing active duty or participating in the Guard and Reserves, for management positions due to the leadership experiences gained in the Army. All these opportunities begin with ROTC.



"There is a lot of things you can get out of following the typical path a cadet has to take. However if you go above and beyond to do extra training you can really set yourself up well for your future career."

Originally from New York, Clayton Cody came to NMU to study Construction Management with a minor in Military Science. His strong academic performance and demonstrated leadership potential earned him a 3.5 year scholarship his first semester at NMU. At the Wildcat Battalion, Clayton has excelled by participating in Ranger Challenge, Northern Warfare, and Ranger Buddy competitions. He is always the first to volunteer for community service or outreach opportunities. In his free time, Clayton is an avid skier and loves to lift. An Eagle Scout himself, he continues to help others with their Eagle Scout projects when he goes back home to NY. Clayton hopes to commission onto active duty as an Infantry officer.

Clayton Cody

Year: Sophomore, MSII Cadet Major: Construction Management, Military Science minor From: Rochester, NY Career goal: Active Duty Infantry Officer



Get Involved. Learn to Lead.

No matter what your interests or inclinations, at NMU there are endless opportunities to get involved. As an enhancement to leadership development, ROTC Cadets are encouraged to participate in any of the over 300 wideranging student activities available both on and off campus.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- Student Leader Fellowship Program (SLFP) NMU's twoyear nationally recognized community leadership program.
- **Superior Edge** community engagement, diversity awareness, leadership development and real-world experience all in one. ROTC participation also meets the leadership requirements for Superior Edge.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

- Alpha Phi Omega National Co-Ed Service Fraternity
- Ending Hunger National and local; food patties
- **Relay for Life** Benefitting the American Cancer Association
- Pay It Forward Good deeds for the sake of others
- Plus 15 other university associated groups.

PROGRAMMING ORGANIZATIONS

- Campus Cinema Hosts no cost movies on campus
- Gonzo Media Independent films and films of diversity
- **Platform Personalities** –Sponsors a wide range of speakers, pop culture comedians and celebrities in campus forums.
- Prime Time Productions Student housing special events
- **Special Events Committee** –Homecoming, WinterFest, Dead River Games, King & Queen Competition, Tailgate Party, Human Sled- Dog Races, Open Skate, and more!
- Plus 5 other programming groups.

A GROUP FOR EVERYONE

There are so many groups and activities to chose from, you are sure to find one or more to suit your interests. Do a little research on the groups below and be ready to get involved.

Academically Related -72 Campus Media - 4 Diversity Promotion Groups - 13 Greeks - 7 Honor Societies - 7 Residence Halls - 73 Special Interest Groups - 75 Spiritual Clubs and Organizations - 17 Sports Groups - 38 Student Government - 2

SPORTS

ROTC allows plenty of time to participate in sports and Cadets are encouraged to participate at all levels. NMU has a Varsity, Club or Intramural team for your needs.













Athletic Offerings at NMU.

MEN'S VARSITY

Basketball Diving Football Golf Hockey Skiing Soccer Swimming

WOMENS'S VARSITY

Basketball Cross Country Diving Golf Lacrosse Skiing Soccer Swimming Track and Field Volleyball

CLUB TEAMS

Alpine Skiing Baseball Crew Dance **Figure Skating** Golden Glitz Men's Ice Hockey Women's Ice Hockey Men's Lacrosse Women's Lacrosse Men's Rugby Women's Rugby Sailing Men's Soccer Women's Soccer Track & Field **Ultimate Frisbee** Volleyball

INTRAMURALS

Basketball Battleship Broomball Dodgeball Flag Football Ice Hockey Indoor Soccer Inner Tube Water Polo Sitting Volleyball Ultimate Frisbee Volleyball

Your journey with the Wildcat Battalion begins today.

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