

Department of Naval Science (Naval ROTC)

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Mission

The Department of Naval Science operates the NROTC program which was established to develop midshipmen and enlisted officer candidates mentally, morally, and physically and to instill in them the highest ideals of honor, courage, and commitment. These young men and women will be educated and trained for leadership positions in an increasingly technical Navy and Marine Corps. This program develops Navy and Marine officers who possess a basic professional background, are motivated toward careers in the naval services, and have a potential for future development in mind and character so as to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship, and government.

4-Year NROTC Program

There are two NROTC programs leading to a commission as a Navy or Marine Officer upon graduation: the Scholarship Program and the College Program.

Scholarship Program

The Scholarship Program leads to a commission in the Navy or Marine Corps. For students who receive a Navy/Marine Corps scholarship, the Navy will pay tuition and fees OR room and board, provide a \$375 book allowance each semester, supply uniforms, and pay a monthly tax-free subsistence allowance (currently \$250 to \$400 on a graduated scale; refer to the NROTC website (<https://naval.dasa.ncsu.edu/>) for updates), to help defray the cost of normal board at the university. During the summers between school years, Navy scholarship students receive approximately 4 weeks of at-sea training conducted on ships, submarines, or aviation squadrons. For select students, training with mobile Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD)/SEAL teams is also possible during the summer prior to their senior year. Marine scholarship students complete Marine Officer Candidate School between their junior and senior year. The minimum active duty obligation following graduation for scholarship students is five years but can vary depending on the warfare community a student commissions into.

College Program

The NROTC College Program is offered to college students who wish to serve their country as commissioned officers, but who have not been awarded any form of NROTC scholarship. College Program students are selected from those who have applied for enrollment at the NROTC unit and signed a contract in which they agree to complete certain Naval Science Courses and one summer training period (if selected for Advanced Standing). The Basic Course of the College Program is designed for those students with more than two years of college

coursework remaining. While in the Basic Course, students have the status of civilians.

Selection for the College Program is made from students already enrolled at NC State with applications being accepted and considered by the staff of the NROTC unit. Students enrolled in the College Program are provided uniforms and Naval Science textbooks. Students in the College Program are eligible to compete for merit based scholarships annually. If selected for a merit based scholarship, the student would begin their next academic year on a full scholarship, identical to the Scholarship Program description above.

If not selected for a three or two year side load scholarship, College Program students compete for selection to continue NROTC as "Advanced Standing" students at the end of their sophomore year. Selection is based on academic and demonstrated professional performance. Those selected for Advanced Standing receive a monthly subsistence allowance during the final two years of the program (currently \$250 to \$400 on a graduated scale; refer to the NROTC website (<https://naval.dasa.ncsu.edu/>) for updates). College Program midshipmen participate in a single summer training cruise between the junior and senior year. Except for administrative differences, no distinction is made between Scholarship and College Program midshipmen. The minimum active duty commitment following graduation for College Program students is three years but can vary based on the warfare community a student commissions into.

Commissioning and Service

Graduates of the Navy program are commissioned as Ensigns and are selected to serve in one of the Navy's front line warfare communities (Surface Warfare, Surface Nuclear, Submarine/Nuclear Power, Pilot, Naval Flight Officer, Special Operations/EOD, or Special Warfare/SEAL). Graduates of the Marine program are commissioned as Second Lieutenants and attend the Marine Officer Basic School at Quantico, Virginia where they select their Military Occupational Specialty (MOS).

Midshipmen / Officer Candidate Life

The NROTC encourages and assists in student academic excellence and participation in campus extra curricular activities. The NROTC unit is organized as a midshipmen battalion to facilitate leadership development. The battalion is staffed entirely by students under the supervision of staff instructors. Additionally, students have opportunities to examine all aspects of life in the Navy and Marine Corps and gain leadership experience through field trips, summer cruises, and social activities.

Additional Information

The Department of Military Science (Army ROTC), the Department of Aerospace Studies (Air Force ROTC), and the Department of Naval Science (Naval ROTC) are separate academic and administrative subdivisions of the University.

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Plans

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