

# Military Air and Space Studies- Air Force ROTC

The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) program prepares student-cadets to become officers in the United States Air Force and Space Force. AFROTC is a four-year program in which students enroll in exclusive classes and leadership workshops to gain tools to succeed in a future career as an Air Force or Space Force officer and beyond. All credits offered by the department may be counted as general electives toward completion of the requirements in other curricula. Student-cadets completing the program attend Field Training between their Sophomore and Junior years. Students not seeking a commission may still enroll in the Freshman and Sophomore MAS classes, but do not wear the uniform or participate in Leadership Lab.

The Air Force ROTC program has three phases:

## 1. General Military Course (GMC) – Freshman & Sophomore Years

- Open to all students, with no military obligation for non-scholarship cadets.
- Includes **one hour of classroom instruction, two hours of physical fitness, and three hours of Leadership Lab per week.**
- Scholarship cadets must pass a physical fitness test each term; non-scholarship cadets must pass by the end of their freshman year.
- Cadets must take the **Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT) by the end of their first term in the program.**

## 2. Field Training – Summer Between Sophomore & Junior Years

- Selection for Field Training is a **nationwide competitive process** based on **academics, physical fitness, and leadership performance.**
- Field Training is a **20-day encampment at Maxwell AFB, AL,** focused on **leadership evaluation, physical conditioning, weapons training, and team-building skills.**
- Required for cadets entering the Professional Officer Course (POC).

## 3. Professional Officer Course (POC) – Junior & Senior Years

- Prepares student-cadets for commissioning as Air Force or Space Force officers.
- Includes **three hours of classroom instruction, two hours of physical fitness, and three hours of Leadership Lab per week.**
- POC develop leadership and communication skills through **cadet-led seminars and exercises.**
- All POC cadets are **contracted** with the Air Force and receive a **monthly stipend,** regardless of scholarship status.

## AFROTC National Scholarship Program

AFROTC may offer 2 to 3 year scholarships to qualified student-cadets in any major. These scholarships are awarded based on available funding and not guaranteed to be offered each year. Current student-cadets are nominated by the Commander based on eligibility and merit. Visit <http://afrotc.com> for the most current information on national scholarship opportunities.

## Active Duty Obligation

- **No service commitment** for non-scholarship, GMC student-cadets.
- Cadets who **complete the program and earn a commission** incur a **minimum four-year active-duty service commitment.**

- Certain career fields and training programs may extend active-duty service commitment.

## Typical Four Year Course Progression

| Freshman Year   | Credits |        |           |
|---|---------|--------|-----------|
|   | Fall    | Spring | Summer    |
| MAS 110 - Heritage and Values of the United States Air Force I  | 1       |        |           |
| MAS 115 - Leadership Lab  | 3       |        |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| MAS 111 - Heritage and Values of the United States Air Force II |         | 1      |           |
| MAS 116 - Leadership Lab  |         | 3      |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| Year Total:   | 4       | 4      |           |
| Sophomore Year  | Credits |        |           |
|   | Fall    | Spring | Summer    |
| MAS 210 - Team and Leadership Fundamentals I                    | 1       |        |           |
| MAS 215 - Leadership Lab  | 3       |        |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| MAS 211 - Team and Leadership Fundamentals II                   |         | 1      |           |
| MAS 216 - Leadership Lab  |         | 3      |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| MAS 309 - Fld Training, 4 Week                                  |         |        | 4         |
| Year Total:   | 4       | 4      | 4         |
| Junior Year   | Credits |        |           |
|   | Fall    | Spring | Summer    |
| MAS 310 - Leading People and Effective Communication I          | 3       |        |           |
| MAS 315 - Leadership Lab  | 3       |        |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| MAS 311 - Leading People and Effective Communication II         |         | 3      |           |
| MAS 316 - Leadership Lab  |         | 3      |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| Year Total:   | 6       | 6      |           |
| Senior Year   | Credits |        |           |
|   | Fall    | Spring | Summer    |
| MAS 410 - National Security and Preparation for Active Duty I   | 3       |        |           |
| MAS 415 - Leadership Lab  | 3       |        |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| MAS 411 - National Security and Preparation for Active Duty II  |         | 3      |           |
| MAS 416 - Leadership Lab  |         | 3      |           |
| Courses in Major  |         |        |           |
| Year Total:   | 6       | 6      |           |
| <b>Total Program Credits:</b>                                   |         |        | <b>44</b> |