Military Science

Army ROTC-AROTC

The Department of Military Science offers programs leading to an officer’s commission in the active Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard in conjunction with an undergraduate or graduate degree. Military science courses are designed to supplement a regular degree program by offering practical leadership and management experience. The Military Science Program at the Colorado School of Mines (Mines) is offered in conjunction with the University of Colorado at Boulder (CU-B). Students attend classes at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden.

Four-Year Program

The four-year program consists of two phases: the basic course (freshman and sophomore years) and the advanced course (junior and senior years).

Basic course (MS I and MS II)

The basic course offers a 2- or 3-credit course each semester, covering Army history and organization as well as military leadership and management. Laboratory sessions provide the opportunity to apply leadership skills while learning basic military skills. Enrollment in the basic course incurs no military obligation except for Army scholarship recipients.

Advanced course (MS III and MS IV)

The advanced course covers leadership, tactics and unit operations, training techniques, military law, and professional ethics, and includes a leadership practicum each semester. A 33-day Cadet Summer Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, provides challenging leadership training and is a prerequisite for commissioning. Advanced course students must have completed the basic course and obtain permission from the Professor of Military Science (PMS).

Two-Year Program

The two-year program consists of the advanced course, preceded by attending the Cadet Summer Training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Veterans, or Active Army Reserve/Army National Guard Soldiers, or students who have participated in three years of Junior ROTC or Civil Air Patrol, may be eligible to enroll in the advanced course without attendance at basic camp or completion of the basic course. Advanced course students must obtain permission from the Professor of Military Science (PMS) at 303-492-6495.

Scholarship Programs

Three-year and Four-year college scholarships are available to eligible high school seniors, who apply before December 1 of their senior year. Competition for two- and three-year scholarships is open to all university students. Scholarship students receive full tuition and mandatory laboratory fees, a book allowance, and an allowance of $300-500 per month during the academic year. Students interested in the scholarship program should contact the AROTC Enrollment and Scholarship Officer at 303-492-3549 no later than the beginning of the spring semester to apply for the following academic year.

Simultaneous Membership Program

Students currently in the Army Reserves or Army National Guard and entering either the second year of the basic course or the advanced course may participate in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP). Students participating in this program will receive $450 to $500 monthly stipend plus their unit pay at the E-5 grade. SMP participants may be eligible for Army Reserve or Army National Guard tuition assistance benefits.

Leadership Laboratories

Leadership labs provide cadets with practical leadership experience and performance-oriented, hands-on instruction outside the classroom. Diagnostic evaluations of cadets in leadership roles are frequently administered. Leadership labs are compulsory for enrolled cadets. Physical training is conducted three times a week with the purpose of developing muscular strength, endurance, and cardio-respiratory endurance.

Veterans

Veterans who have served on active duty or in the Army Reserve/National Guard are also eligible for the ROTC program. Although veterans are not required to take the Basic Course, they are encouraged to do so. A minimum of 60 credit hours are required prior to enrolling in the Advanced Course.

Registration and Credits

Army ROTC serves as free-elective credit in most departments. Elective course credit toward your degree for AROTC classes will be determined by your individual academic advisor. Students who wish to register for Army ROTC classes do so through the normal course registration process at CSM. AROTC classes begin with the MSGN prefix.

For more information about AROTC, contact:
the Army ROTC Enrollment and Scholarship Officer at:
303-492-3549 or 303-492-6495

or the department on campus directly at:
303-273-3380

The department is located in the Military Science building, 1020 19th Street

You can also go to https://rotc.mines.edu/

For information about ROTC at MINES, call 303-273-3398 or 303-273-3380.

General CSM Minor/ASI requirements can be found here (catalog.mines.edu/undergraduate/undergraduateinformation/minorasi/).

Military Science Minor

Army ROTC cadets desiring to receive a minor in Military Science must complete at least 22 hours of Military Science courses as follows:

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Note: In order to commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army, completion of a Military History Course (HASS365) is also required.

### Courses

**MSGN103. ADVENTURES IN LEADERSHIP I. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**
(I) Introduces fundamentals of leadership and the United States Army. Examines its organization, customs, and history as well as its current relevance and purpose. Students also investigate basic leadership and management skills necessary to be successful in both military and civilian settings. Includes fundamentals of Army leadership doctrine, teambuilding concepts, time and stress management, an introduction to cartography and land navigation, marksmanship, briefing techniques, and some basic military tactics. Lab fee. 1 hour lecture, 2 hours lab, 3 hours PT, and 80 hours field training; 2 semester hours. (Fall).

**MSGN104. ADVENTURES IN LEADERSHIP II. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**
(II) Continues the investigation of leadership in small organizations. Covers selected topics such as basic troop leading procedures, military first aid and casualty evacuation concepts, creating ethical work climates, an introduction to Army organizations and installations, and a further examination of basic military tactics. Introduces students to effective military writing styles. Lab fee. 1 hour lecture, 2 hours lab, 3 hours PT, and 80 hours field training; 2 semester hours. (Spring).

**MSGN198. SPECIAL TOPICS IN MILITARY SCIENCE. 1-6 Semester Hr.**
(I, II) Pilot course or special topics course. Topics chosen from special interests of instructor(s) and student(s). Usually the course is offered only once. Prerequisite: none. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit under different titles.

**MSGN199. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-6 Semester Hr.**
(I, II) Individual research or special problem projects supervised by a faculty member, also, when a student and instructor agree on a subject matter, content, and credit hours. Prerequisite: ?Independent Study? form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit.

**MSGN203. METHODS OF LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT I. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**
(I) Comprehensively reviews advanced leadership and management concepts including motivation, attitudes, communication skills, problem solving, human needs and behavior, and leadership self development. Students continue to refine effective written and oral communications skills and to explore topics such as the basic branches of the Army, and officer and NCO duties. Students conduct classroom and practical exercises in small unit light infantry tactics and are prepared to perform as midlevel leaders in the cadet organization. Lab fee: 1 hour lecture, 2 hours lab, 3 hours PT, and 80 hours field training; 2 semester hours.

**MSGN204. METHODS OF LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT II. 2.0 Semester Hrs.**
(II) Focuses on leadership and management functions in military and corporate environments. Studies various components of Army leadership doctrine to include the four elements of leadership, leadership principles, risk management and planning theory, the be-know-do framework, and the Army leadership evaluation program. Continue to refine communication skills. Lab fee. 1 hour lecture, 2 hours lab, 3 hours PT, and 80 hours field training; 2 semester hours. (Spring).

**MSGN298. SPECIAL TOPICS IN MILITARY SCIENCE. 1-6 Semester Hr.**
(I, II) Pilot course or special topics course. Topics chosen from special interests of instructor(s) and student(s). Usually the course is offered only once. Prerequisite: none. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit under different titles.

**MSGN299. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-6 Semester Hr.**
(I, II) Individual research or special problem projects supervised by a faculty member, also, when a student and instructor agree on a subject matter, content, and credit hours. Prerequisite: ?Independent Study? form must be completed and submitted to the Registrar. Variable credit; 1 to 6 credit hours. Repeatable for credit.