

THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY WEST POINT®



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A SPECIAL PLACE

Thank you for taking the time to consider West Point as a college option. I encourage you to look carefully at the information here in our catalog. The more you know and understand about the U.S. Military Academy, the more you will come to appreciate this unique and special place.

West Point is dedicated to being the nation's premier institution for leader development, and we are proud that today's cadets will become tomorrow's Soldiers, statesmen, explorers, engineers, and CEOs. For more than 200 years, West Point has developed leaders of character for our Army who are inspired to careers as commissioned officers and a lifetime of selfless service to the nation. This is our essential mission.

As a cadet you will be challenged — intellectually, militarily, and physically — in an environment that embraces the highest moral-ethical standards. You will receive a balanced, first-rate undergraduate education. At the same time, you will complete an excellent military development program that will prepare you for a career as a commissioned leader in our Army. Finally, you will achieve the highest levels of physical development through a program that emphasizes a lifelong pursuit of personal fitness.

The West Point Experience is exciting, challenging, and fulfilling. When you graduate and are commissioned, you will be well prepared to help lead our Army and our nation.

Take a good look at all that West Point has to offer. Read all you can about the academy and the Army. Consider ROTC and other Army opportunities, and make the college decision that is best for you.

If you are inspired to join our Armed Forces and help to lead America's Army through the 21st century, I look forward to seeing you as a future member of The Long Gray Line.

Best wishes for success in your future.



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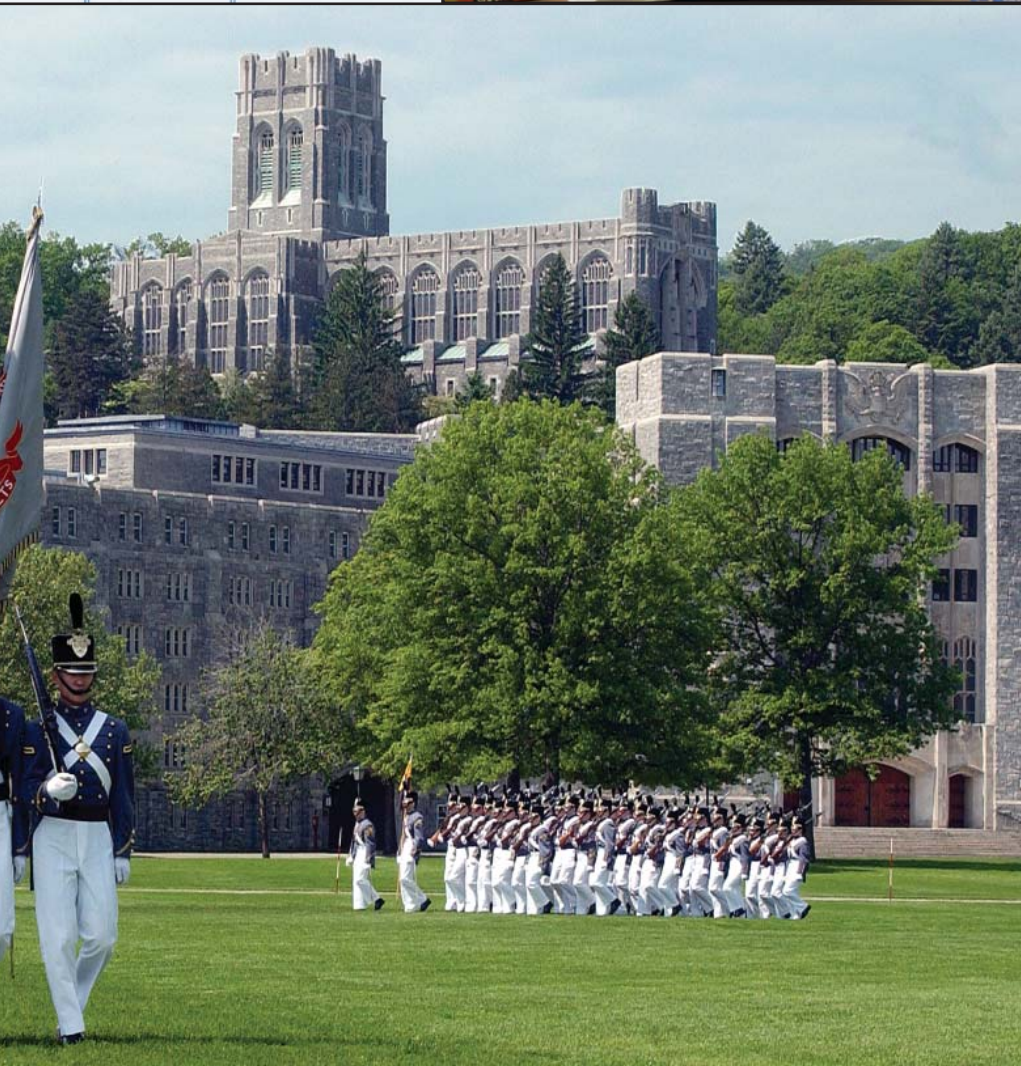


Mission

To educate, train and inspire the Corps of Cadets so that each graduate

is a commissioned leader of character committed to the values of Duty, Honor, Country and prepared for a career of professional excellence and service to the nation as an officer in the United States Army.





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As a young man or woman considering your options for obtaining a quality college education, you may wonder what unique opportunities the United States Military Academy offers. West Point offers one of the most highly respected, quality education programs in the nation. This fully-funded, four-year federal government program builds a solid leadership foundation that is essential when you serve your country as a US Army officer following graduation.



YOUR MILITARY ACADEMY

CHAPTER 1



The nation's oldest service academy – the world-famous United States Military Academy at West Point – is easily recognized in photographs or television news clips of the Corps of Cadets on parade or of the traditional march-on before the Army-Navy football classic. West Point is much more than a full-dress parade; it is an exciting and memorable four-year experience that stretches your intellect, develops your self-confidence and leadership potential, and prepares you for an important leadership role while serving our nation.

As you consider your college options, ask yourself these questions: What can I expect at West Point? What will West Point expect of me? What makes the academy unique? What follows are the answers to these important questions.

The Academy's Purpose

West Point is charged with educating, training and inspiring young Americans to provide the Army with commissioned leaders of character. The academy prepares graduates for selfless service to the nation.

Service to Country

What does this mean for you? It means that your personal goal should be to serve America as an Army officer. It means that you, as an Army officer, will lead people and organizations; manage resources to maintain the peace or deter or win wars; and accomplish other missions directed by our nation's elected leaders. It means you will operate in demanding and stressful environments where you will need to anticipate the unexpected, reason clearly in the midst of chaos, and lead with bravery and compassion. To help prepare you for the rigors of service as a commissioned officer in the United States Army, West Point provides a stressful, demanding program that will challenge you intellectually, militarily,

and physically in an environment that promotes the development of character.

Education

Since its founding in 1802, West Point has provided a world-class education. It is a Tier I academic institution, placing it in the same category as Yale, Princeton, and Harvard. The academic curriculum is broad-based and challenging.

In 2008, West Point was ranked the #1 Public College in America (Forbes.com) and the #1 Public Liberal Arts College in the nation (U.S. News and World Report). Also in 2008, the Princeton Review ranked West Point in the top 10 of all American colleges in the areas of "Most to do on Campus," "Most Accessible Professors," and "Best Classroom Experience."

The institution is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of

Colleges and Schools, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 – telephone: (215) 662-5606.

The Commission on Higher Education is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education. Six engineering majors programs – civil engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, systems engineering, environmental engineering, and engineering management – are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202-4012 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. In addition, the computer science major is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202-4012 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. You will receive a balanced undergraduate education in





sought for high-level leadership. Many have continued to serve the nation after a full military career and retirement from the Army. Their numbers include two U.S. presidents: Ulysses S. Grant and Dwight D. Eisenhower. Others are ambassadors, state governors, legislators, judges, cabinet members, educators, engineers and corporate executives.

History: Change Within Tradition

When you join The Long Gray Line, you become part of a tradition almost as old as the nation. The first of the service academies, West Point has trained officers for more than 200 years. Yet the academy continuously changes in anticipation of the nation's needs. This gradual evolution of the academy's programs and activities has prepared its graduates to serve the nation; however, through it all, West Point remains unwavering in its mission: to provide the Army and the nation with commissioned leaders of character.

Leader Development at West Point

Everything cadets experience during their 47 months at West Point is focused on developing them as leaders of character who will serve as officers in America's Army. There is no other purpose for West Point.

The Cadet Leader Development System is the formal means of coordinating and integrating the programs, activities, and resources necessary to develop cadets as leaders of character. The system provides for sequential and progressive development in three complementary programs – Academic, Military and Physical – in a moral-ethical environment that promotes exemplary character.

Academic

West Point's Academic Program includes an excellent, broadly structured undergraduate curriculum that balances the physical sciences and engineering with the behavioral and social sciences. The goal is for every graduate to be able to think creatively and clearly express original ideas on both technological

and interpersonal issues. In addition, the academy seeks to instill in cadets a commitment to progressive and continued educational development.

Military

West Point's Military Program provides an outstanding professional foundation focused on education in the American military ethic and the Army's core values, along with training in individual and small-unit leadership skills. Cadets are inspired to make a commitment to national service as an Army officer and to adopt the ideals of the seven Army Values.

Cadets receive formal military education each year in subjects that prepare them to become leaders. This education is complemented by summer military training, where cadets learn basic Soldier skills, such as firing a rifle accurately, navigating in the woods with a map and compass, and rappelling off high cliffs. In addition, cadets have the opportunity to spend part of one summer assigned to a unit in the field Army. These assignments often take cadets to Europe, Korea, Alaska or Hawaii. Finally – and perhaps most importantly – cadets are afforded the privilege of leading and training junior members of the Corps of Cadets.

Physical

The Physical Program is focused upon the physically demanding requirements of an Army officer. It endeavors to develop in cadets the ability to maintain personal and unit fitness, fosters the warrior spirit, builds an appreciation for teamwork, and inspires the will to win. Specific program activities include physical education classes, regular fitness testing, and competitive athletics.

Character Development

Moral-ethical development is central to the 47-month West Point experience and is explicitly mandated by the academy's mission statement. The emphasis on personal character is to support the West Point Motto – “Duty, Honor, Country” – and the ideals of the seven Army Values: loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage. A powerful means of influencing character development is the day-to-day interaction with West Point staff and

the arts and sciences, a Bachelor of Science degree, and a firm foundation for future intellectual growth.

Army Opportunities

When you enter West Point, you are also beginning a profession. Upon graduation you are commissioned as a second lieutenant in the US Army and will serve on active duty for at least five years. As you begin your military career you will be responsible for people, training, and equipment. Each new promotion brings additional responsibility and increased opportunity.

Service within the United States is complemented by overseas assignments, providing cross-cultural awareness and further opportunities for personal and professional growth.

Other Contributions

Clearly, military readiness is the Army's main task. Accordingly, West Point officers have served in capacities as varied as the nation's needs. Because of the breadth of their education and leadership experience, West Point graduates repeatedly have been



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faculty members, who set high standards for ethical conduct, but West Point also relies upon several formal developmental means.

In the Military Program cadets inevitably experience a wide variety of ethical dilemmas as they perform their duties as leaders and as subordinates. These dilemmas represent opportunities to make decisions that will shape their individual value systems and, potentially, the value systems of their peers. Officer and NCO supervision affords the cadets the opportunity to make ethical choices under the guidance and mentorship of experienced, professional Soldiers. The Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic at West Point has oversight on the instruction of Army Values and the professional military ethic as well as the two programs that highlight West Point's core values: honor and respect.

The Honor Program

The ability to educate, train, and inspire outstanding leaders is linked to West Point's commitment to ensuring graduates internalize the values of truthfulness, fairness, respect, and commitment, ensuring others in the Profession of Arms maintain those values as well. In short, West Point expects its graduates and cadets to commit to a lifetime of honorable living. It expects the Corps of Cadets to live by the Honor Code and System, which simply states: "A cadet will not lie, cheat, steal, or tolerate those who do."

Under the supervision of the staff and faculty, the Corps of Cadets maintains the Honor Code and System. Since 1922, the elected members of the Cadet Honor Committee have represented the Corps on all matters pertaining to honor and consider themselves to be stewards of the Code.

The Respect Program

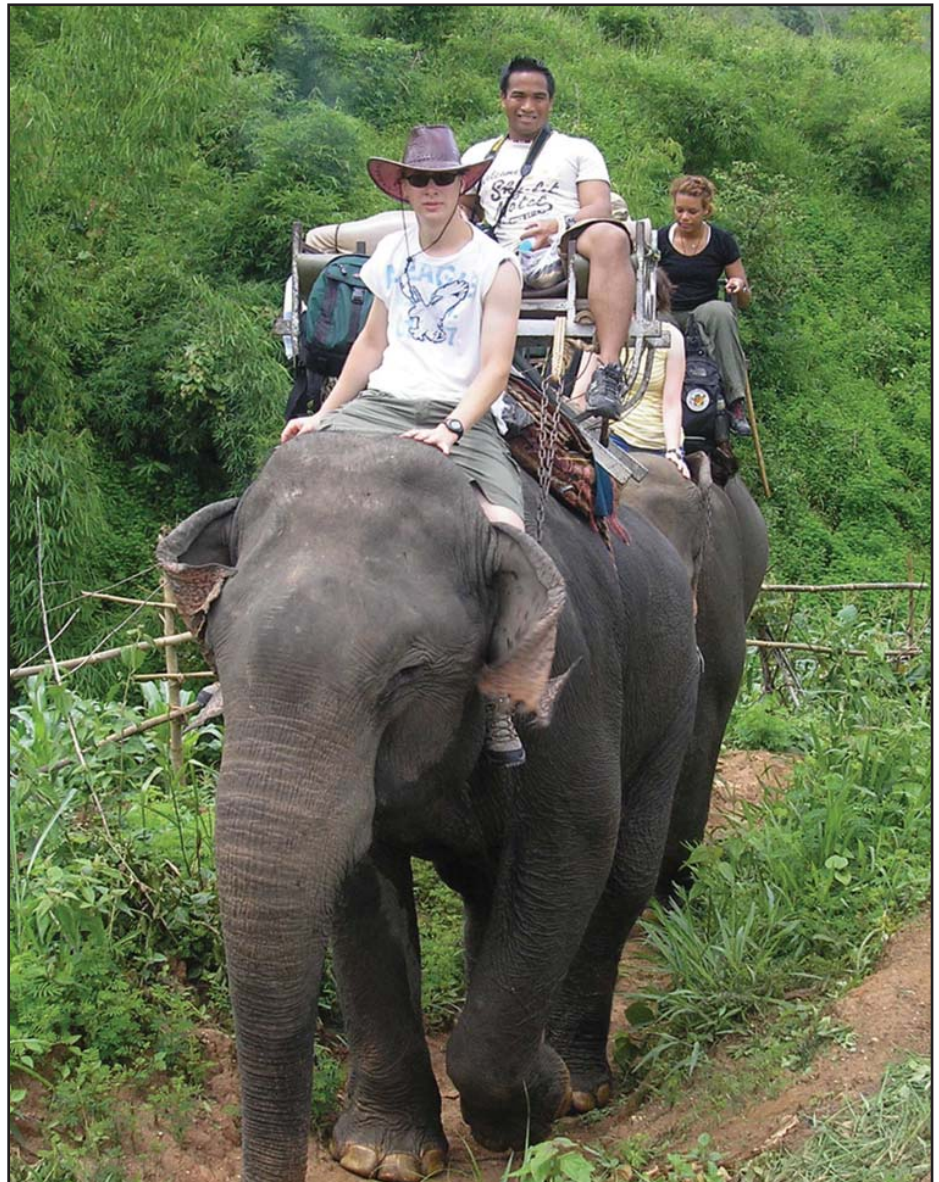
The ability to educate, train and inspire leaders of character is linked to West Point's commitment to ensuring a positive command climate, eliminating discrimination, and fostering an atmosphere of dignity and worth. In order to ensure a healthy command

climate and focus more succinctly on character development, West Point adopted "respect" as a core value. The intent is to engender an attitude within the Corps of Cadets whereby each cadet "respects oneself, others, and property and lives his or her life accordingly."

Individual Advanced Development

As cadets progress in their 47-month experience, they may take advantage of voluntary opportunities to pursue a specific area of personal interest through the Individual Advanced Development program. Many of these experiences

take cadets to foreign countries, government agencies, or international organizations. Available only to those First and Second Class cadets who have successfully completed their baseline requirements, cadets have their choice of more than 250 enrichment opportunities from all three developmental programs – Academic, Military, and Physical. Most of these activities occur during the summer and provide cadets a unique opportunity for growth in areas of their choice.



Daily Schedule

This schedule typifies a cadet's life during the academic year, August through May. Cadets have many extracurricular opportunities; they may choose from more than 100 extracurricular activities and 25 intercollegiate sports. Worship services and other religious activities are also available for cadets. During the summer months, cadets take vacations and participate in military training and Individual Advanced Development.

The more-than 4,000 cadets who comprise the United States Corps of Cadets form a brigade of four regiments. A cadet regiment consists of two battalions, each with four companies, for a total of 32 companies in the brigade. Cadets fill all officer and noncommissioned officer positions in the Corps. Each cadet not only leads but also receives counseling and guidance in the techniques of leadership. In addition, each cadet is rated on leader development through an assessment system.

Vacations and Free Time

The number of vacations (leaves and passes) and the amount of free time a cadet has depends upon seniority as well as performance. While a First Class cadet (senior) has many opportunities to take weekend passes, a plebe (freshman) will have only a few weekend passes available. In addition to these passes, a plebe may leave the academy on authorized athletic, extracurricular, or cultural trips. All cadets may be awarded weekend passes based upon individual or unit achievement. All cadets may take Thanksgiving, winter holiday, spring, and summer leaves.

Typical Daily Schedule

Morning:

- 6:55 Breakfast Formation
- 7:05-7:20 Breakfast
- 7:30-11:55 Class or Study

Afternoon:

- 12:10-12:25 Lunch Review (Mondays, only)
- 12:05-12:35 Lunch (Mondays, Lunch until 12:40)
- 12:50-1:45 Commandant's/Dean's Time
- 1:55-4:00 Class or Study
- 4:15-6:30 Intramural/Club Athletics; Drill and Ceremony; Military and Physical Training; or Free Time

Evening:

- 6:00-7:30 Supper (Optional except Thursday, 6:45-7:15. Plebes have mandatory dinner Mondays & Wednesdays, too.)
- 7:30-8:30 Evening Study Period/ Extracurricular Activities
- 8:30-11:30 Evening Study Period
- 11:30 Taps
- 12:00-5:20 Lights Out



Pay and Allowances

As members of the US Army, cadets receive room, board and more than \$10,000 per year in pay. The cadet must pay for a notebook, computer, uniforms, textbooks, and activity fees from this amount. Each cadet candidate is asked to make an initial deposit of \$2,900 to help defray initial expenses.

Counseling and Health Care

Academic, military, financial and other types of personal counseling are available to cadets at all times. The Center for Personal Development is a cadet counseling service providing individual and group assistance for a variety of personal needs. Apart from this professional counseling, cadets can always seek advice from their peers in the cadet chain of command.

Cadets receive complete medical and dental care while at West Point. If a medical service is not available at the military hospital, civilian medical providers and facilities are used. Costs are reimbursed under the military health plan called Tricare. Tricare benefits must be preauthorized except for emergency care.

Parents are advised to retain civilian medical coverage for their cadet while attending the academy. Eligibility for military health benefits terminates at midnight on the date a cadet





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is separated from the academy before completion of the four-year program. Retention of a civilian medical plan ensures continuous medical coverage of the cadet should there be a discharge. West Point graduates receive medical coverage from the US Army.

Facilities

The Academy includes more than 16,000 acres in Orange County, New York, 50 miles north of New York City. Framed by the majestic Hudson Highlands and poised above the Hudson River, the massive gothic structures of the campus blend with the rugged beauty of the surrounding hills.

The West Point Library, located in Jefferson Hall in the academic area, provides up-to-date, fully networked library service to the cadets, faculty and remote users. Supplementing a collection of more than 600,000 volumes, the library offers numerous full-text databases providing access to the contents of thousands of scholarly journals. Open 103 hours per week during the academic year, the library also offers a highly skilled staff, group

study rooms and an extensive microfilm collection. The institutional records of the academy are maintained as part of the library's collections, and these provide invaluable primary source material for cadet and faculty research. Jefferson Hall is a new, state-of-the-art learning center completed in 2008.

West Point's modern academic facilities are matched by its athletic facilities. Michie Stadium, home of Army Football, attracts crowds in excess of 40,000 during picturesque football weekends in the fall. The Kimsey Athletic Center, the Hoffman Press Box, Randall Hall, the Lichtenberg Tennis Center, the Lou Gross Center and the Anderson Rugby Center are new facilities that provide first-class resources for football, basketball, hockey, tennis, lacrosse, gymnastics and rugby programs. The Foley Athletic Center opened its doors in March 2007; it houses a state-of-the-art, climate-controlled indoor playing field.

Hollerder Athletic Center, adjacent to the stadium, is a multi-sport complex housing a hockey rink with seating for 2,700 and a basketball arena with a 5,000-seat capacity. The 500,000-

square-foot Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center is a state-of-the-art physical fitness facility that includes two gymnasiums, two multi-purpose rooms, two swimming pools, six racquetball courts, five wrestling rooms, a rock-climbing wall, two fitness rooms, and a sports medicine facility.

West of the installation, the reservation's lake-dotted, forested highlands provide an extensive military training and recreational area. In the summer, Camp Buckner is used for field exercises of all descriptions. West Point cadets and residents may also hunt, fish, swim and hike on the reservation. In addition, Army Reserve Component units schedule field exercises; scouts and other civilian groups camp and hike, and local townspeople enjoy the recreational use of Long Pond. Round Pond is a clear mountaintop lake surrounded by a beach, playgrounds, picnic areas, and campgrounds. The Round Pond Office and Bait Shop sells West Point fishing and hunting passes and water ski passes for Stillwell Lake, and the Outdoor Equipment Resource Center, located behind the office, rents camping equipment, boats and trailers, party canopies, and various sports equipment.

West Point has an 18-hole golf course that winds through the lovely hills surrounding the north side of the post, a driving range, and a clubhouse with a pro shop and snack bar that also services the adjoining Victor Constant Ski Slope in the winter months.

Five separate chapels provide a variety of religious services: Christian, Jewish, Muslim, and Buddhist services are available, as are a number of interdenominational prayer groups, clubs, and events.

The Cadet Activities Center, Eisenhower Hall, contains a 4,500-seat auditorium, a 1,000-seat restaurant, a large ballroom overlooking the Hudson River, a games area, an art gallery, and a spacious reception foyer for cadets and guests. Grant Hall offers additional cadet snack and lounge facilities.

The Visitors Center and the West Point Museum provide thousands of visitors a glimpse of daily life at the academy and the history of this military post and its graduates.





By entering West Point, you are taking the first step in a demanding, exciting, and rewarding profession as an officer in the United States Army.

An Army officer takes responsibility for the welfare, development and safety of Soldiers. It is a challenging task. An officer must motivate Soldiers, understand the complexity of sophisticated weapons systems, and analyze various situations and make crucial decisions that may have an international impact.

An Army officer must be able to understand and help fulfill the Army's operational demands of the 21st century.

Army divisions are reorganizing to become leaner and more mobile, yet more lethal in their ability to defend our nation. Officers must be able to adapt to new technologies, especially digital communications, which speed the exchange of information among all operational levels. These new technologies enable commanders to move their forces faster and concentrate their firepower more effectively.





THE ARMY: A PROFESSION



CHAPTER 2

An Army officer's leadership skills will be challenged with the various roles the Armed Forces play throughout the world. There is disaster assistance, community support, large and small missions, joint and allied training, and peacekeeping around the world.

An officer is a role model for Soldiers, instilling the strengths of the US Army's core values – loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage – while leading and guiding his or her troops. Most importantly, there is a sense of pride that comes with being part of the world's finest Army.

After Graduation – What Then?

Upon graduation, you will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the US Army and serve for at least five years on active duty as an Army officer.

When a West Point graduate flings his or her cap in the air, signaling the end of a 47-month experience on the banks of the Hudson River, it also signals the start of a special career where self-sacrifice and self-discipline are required.

The Army has a wide variety of specialized fields, called “branches.” Each branch requires its own brand of technical and tactical expertise. Depending upon the needs of the Army and your personal desires, you will select from such branches as Adjutant General Corps, Air Defense Artillery, Armor, Aviation, Chemical Corps, Corps of Engineers, Field Artillery, Finance Corps, Infantry, Military Intelligence, Military Police, Ordnance, Quartermaster, Transportation Corps, Medical Service Corps, or Signal Corps.

Whatever the branch, an officer is responsible for the training and morale of his or her troops and the maintenance and employment of their equipment. Assignments around the world test an officer's leadership and managerial skills. The officer's performance and the needs of the Army are considered when determining the nature and locale of assignments.

Officers attend a Basic Officer Leader Course that teaches junior officers

about the Army culture and trains them in basic field skills. Upon successful completion of this course, officers transition to branch-specific courses to develop their competence in the technical aspects of their specialties.

During the first eight years of service, officers will be in first-line leadership, troop command, and staff positions and gain additional education and training, both military and civilian. All officers attend a Branch Advanced Course to prepare for the higher levels of responsibility, leadership, and specialization required as commanders.

Advanced Professional Development

At about the 11th year of service, every officer selects a career field. This critical point in an officer's career provides the opportunity to stay as a mainstream warfighter or shift to a functional specialty, such as operations research, foreign area officer, communications-electronics, or engineering. Professional patterns in the modern Army have come to demand academic specialization. Many academy graduates who remain in the Army earn graduate degrees from leading civilian universities.

Officers continue on to Command and General Staff College, where they study subjects such as high-level management practices and international affairs. Education and experience at this level prepare them for the highly rewarding later years when they may be working in the Pentagon, commanding a large troop unit, serving as a military attach in a foreign country, or having the responsibility of being in charge of leading a professional school, training junior officers.

Outstanding officers are selected to attend one of

the Senior Service Colleges or a foreign equivalent. Many make creative contributions to thought and research on the defense implications of their specialties.

A small group of the most talented officers is selected for the rank of general officer. They make their greatest professional contributions commanding divisions or larger units composed of thousands of men and women, or participating in the highest policy councils of the nation.

It is a great responsibility to lead Soldiers in a time of national emergency and to guard the nation's readiness in times of peace. Life as an Army officer is driven by service to country and is full of challenge and satisfaction.





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ach year West Point admits approximately 1,200 young men and women. These new members of the Corps of Cadets come from all corners of the

United States and represent nearly every race, religion, and culture in the country. Nurtured by the West Point environment, this diversity of background helps cadets gain a culturally rich educational experience.

Steps to West Point:

1. Determine whether you meet the basic requirements.
2. Start a file at West Point online (www.westpoint.edu/admissions).
3. Apply for a nomination.
4. Fill out West Point forms.
5. Follow up on the nomination process.
6. Complete testing, including:
 - ACT (including the writing section) and/or SAT
 - Qualifying Medical Exam
 - Candidate Fitness Assessment.
7. Monitor the evaluation and status of your application.
8. Visit West Point on a Candidate Orientation Visit.
9. Prepare for entrance to West Point.





To become a cadet you must meet the requirements specified by public law and must be qualified academically, physically and medically. Each candidate must also obtain a nomination from a member of Congress or from the Department of Army in one of the service-connected categories described later in this section. As a candidate, you are evaluated for admission on the basis of academic performance (high school record and SAT or ACT scores, including the required writing portion, if taking the ACT), demonstrated leadership potential, fitness assessment, and medical qualification.

West Point seeks a class composition of top scholars, leaders, athletes, Soldiers, women, and minorities to maintain a diversified collegiate environment and corps. Candidates with outstanding qualifications in one or more areas and those who have extenuating social or financial disadvantages that create limited athletic, academic, or leadership opportunities receive special consideration for admission to the incoming class. West Point encourages a strong college-preparatory academic background as a prerequisite for admission. Recommended areas of preparation are: four years of English, with strong emphasis on composition, grammar, literature, and speech; four years of math – algebra, plane geometry, intermediate algebra, trigonometry; at least two years of a foreign language; four years of science, including two years of laboratory science such as chemistry and physics; and one year of U.S. history.

Additionally, you will find courses in geography, government, and economics to be very helpful. If your school includes a course in pre-calculus and calculus in its curriculum, and a basic computer course, those courses will be extremely helpful during your first year at West Point. College courses taken prior to entrance to West Point may be substituted for similar courses in the academy curriculum (see “Validation” in Chapter 4).

1. Determine whether you meet the basic requirements.

Medical Qualifications

Candidates must:

- Be in good physical and mental health.
- Pass a Medical Exam (see Appendix B).

Physical Qualifications

Each candidate should have:

- Above-average strength, endurance and agility.
- Strong performance on West Point Candidate Fitness Assessment (see Appendix C).

2. Start a file at West Point online.

West Point will start your candidate file upon receipt of a completed Candidate Questionnaire. You should complete the Candidate Questionnaire online at the Admissions website, www.westpoint.edu/admissions, in the middle of your junior year in high school or as soon thereafter as possible. You must have a Social Security number to establish a file. Your file will be reviewed, and you will be notified if you lack the qualifications to compete for admission.

3. Apply for a nomination.

You must obtain a nomination in order to compete for admission to the academy,



and you should apply for a nomination from each source for which you are eligible during the spring of your junior year.

Congressional nominating authorities specify to the Department of Army the method of selecting candidates to fill cadetships. Cadetships are allocated by law to the vice president; members of Congress; congressional delegates from Washington, D.C., the Virgin Islands, and Guam; the governors of Puerto Rico and American Samoa; the resident representative to the United States from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and the Department of Army.

At a minimum, most candidates are eligible for a congressional nomination from their local congressional representative, their two United States senators, and the vice president of the United States.

You can find information about applying for nominations and view request letter formats on the West Point Admissions webpages: www.admissions.usma.edu.

Types of Nominations

Congressional

U.S. senators and representatives nominate from their respective states and districts. Members of Congress may select up to 10 young people to compete for each cadetship vacancy they have. As a member of Congress, the vice president has five cadetships for applicants from the United States at large. Candidates interested in seeking a vice-presidential nomination should write directly to: The Vice President, Eisenhower Executive Office Building, Room 290, Washington, D.C. 20501. You can obtain a vice president nomination

form at the following website: http://www.whitehouse.gov/vicepresident/vicepresidential_nominationpacket.pdf. The applications should arrive at the vice president's office by November 1.

The Washington, D.C., congressional delegate nominates from that district. The governor of Puerto Rico nominates a native-born Puerto Rican, and the Puerto Rican Commissioner nominates five residents of Puerto Rico. Congressional delegates of Guam and the Virgin Islands, the resident representative from the Northern Mariana Islands, and the governor of American Samoa nominate sons and daughters of U.S. citizens or nationals living on their respective islands.

Presidential

Sons and daughters of career military personnel are eligible for presidential nominations. The term "career military personnel" refers to members of the Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard) who are on active duty other than for training and who have served continuously on active duty for at least eight years, or who are (or who have died while they were) retired with pay or granted retired or retainer pay. Also included are service members currently serving in the Reserve Component who are credited with at least eight continuous years of service computed under section 12733 of Title 10, United States Code. Finally, reservists who would be (or who died while they would have been) entitled to retirement pay except for not having attained 60 years of age are also included in this category.

Regular Army and Reserve Components

This category is for enlisted members of the Regular Army, Army Reserves, and Army National Guard. To request a nomination under this category, enlisted members should submit a commander's endorsement with their applications.

This application must reach the Director of Admissions by the second Monday in January. Soldiers who are not offered an appointment to West Point are automatically considered for enrollment in the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School (USMAPS). Some





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applicants who fail to obtain admission to West Point on their first tries enlist in the Army and win appointments in either the Regular Army or Reserve Component category on their second attempts. If interested, consult with an Army, Army Reserve, or Army National Guard recruiter.

Armed Forces veterans whose deaths or disabilities were determined to be service-connected, and for sons and daughters of military personnel or federally employed civilians who are in a missing or captured status. Application should be made to the Director of Admissions, U.S. Military Academy, 606 Thayer Road, West Point, NY 10996-1797. This application must

reach West Point by the second Monday in January. You can find letter formats on the Admissions webpages with the instructions for applying (www.admissions.usma.edu/apply.cfm) in the nominations section.

Honor Military, Naval Schools, and ROTC

Applicants enrolled in a junior or senior Army Reserve Officer Training Corps program are eligible for nomination in this category. Certain ROTC schools designated by departments of the Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps as "Honor Units with Distinction" may recommend three of their honor graduates for nominations. Applications should be made through the professor of military science or the senior instructor at such a school to the Director of Admissions, U.S. Military Academy, 606 Thayer Road, West Point, NY 10996-1797.

Your senior instructor must fill out and submit a Request for ROTC Nomination to USMA (Form 5-497) and a USMA Admissions Interview Report (USMA Form 21-8) to be considered for a nomination. This application must reach West Point by the second Monday in January. The best-qualified candidates, without regard to schools, are then selected for enrollment.

Sons and Daughters of Deceased or Disabled Veterans

This category is for sons and daughters of deceased or 100-percent disabled



"The more you sweat in peace, the less you bleed in war."

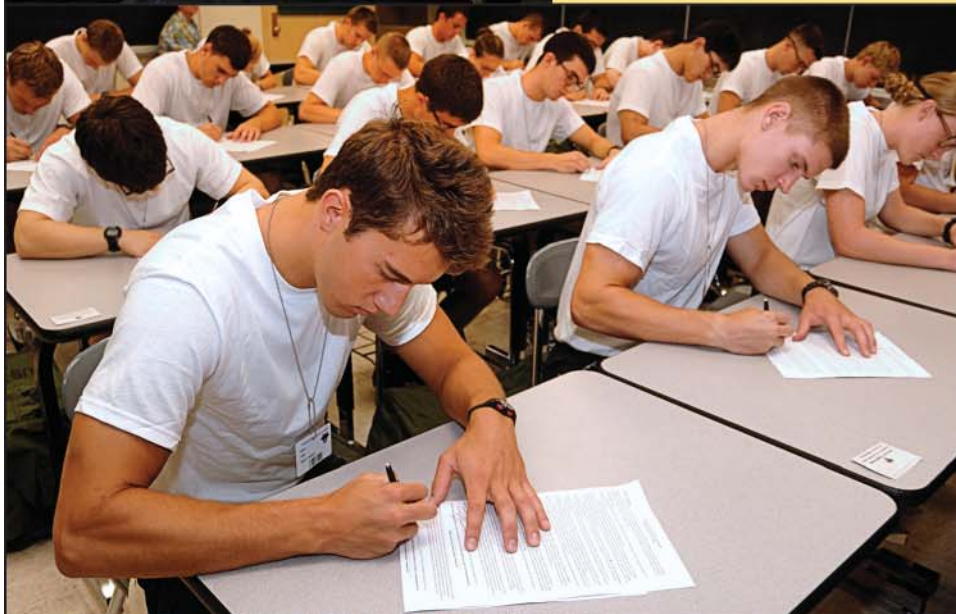
Chinese proverb





“No man who is occupied in doing a very difficult thing, and doing it well, ever loses self-respect.”

George Bernard Shaw



Sons and Daughters of Persons Awarded the Medal of Honor

All sons and daughters of persons awarded the Medal of Honor who seek admission and are fully qualified will be admitted. Apply by the second Monday in January to the Director of Admissions, U.S. Military Academy, 606 Thayer Road, West Point, NY 10996-1797, using the letter format shown on the Admissions webpages with the instructions for applying (www.admissions.usma.edu/apply.cfm) in the nominations section.

Other Countries

No more than 60 citizens of foreign nations may be West Point cadets at one time. The applicant should prepare a letter requesting a nomination, addressed to the United States defense attach of the nominating nation. Requirements for enrollment, advancement from class to class, and graduation are the same as for United States citizens.

The three nomination methods are:

Competitive Nominations

The nominating authority submits a slate of up to 10 nominees. West Point evaluates all nominees and ranks them according to their qualifications. The best-qualified nominated candidate is selected for an offer of admission.

Principal with Competing Alternates

The nominating authority designates a principal nominee; up to nine alternates compete as above for the cadetship only if the principal nominee is disqualified.

Principal with Numbered Alternates

If the selected principal nominee is not fully qualified, each alternate is evaluated in the order designated by the nominating authority until one is found fully qualified.

Department of the Army Nominations

Presidential	100
Enlisted Members of the Regular Army	85
Enlisted Members of the Army Reserve/ National Guard	85



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Honor Military, Naval Schools and ROTC20

Sons and Daughters of Deceased or 100-percent Disabled Veterans (approx.)20

Sons and Daughters of Persons Awarded the Medal of Honor..... Unlimited

about the remaining Admissions requirements, including being qualified by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB). All procedures and forms must be completed promptly. Candidates who do not pass the initial screening will be notified.

nomination is the legal authority for West Point to offer admission, and the nomination process is independent of the West Point admissions evaluation. It is important that you aggressively pursue every nomination available to you.

4. Fill out West Point forms.

The Admissions Office reviews Candidate Questionnaires, and candidates who pass the initial screening will receive a letter with instructions

5. Follow up on nominations.

Each year, more than 10,000 candidates open files for admission to West Point. Only about 4,000 receive congressional or service-connected nominations. A

6. Complete testing, ACT and/or SAT.

All candidates must take the timed ACT or SAT. West Point does not accept un-timed scores for



academic evaluation. We recommend that candidates take both the SAT and ACT at least once.

Please note: All candidates for admission are required to submit a writing score with their SAT and/or ACT exam. The SAT has a writing exam as part of the basic test; however, the writing portion on the ACT is currently optional. If you register for the ACT, you must select the “ACT Plus Writing” exam in order to be considered for admission. **ACT scores submitted without the writing section will not be evaluated.**

It is recommended that candidates take the ACT and/or SAT exams as many times as practical, as the Admissions Committee only considers the candidate’s highest scores on each segment of the exams.

Although not required for admission, advanced placement examinations are considered in several subject areas, including mathematics, physics, chemistry, history, and social sciences (see Page 32 on Validation and Advanced Placement). Results are evaluated for awarding formal credit for course completion or scheduling individuals into higher-level sections or classes.

ACT

The ACT is administered at test centers throughout the world. For information on ACT testing in your locale, consult any high school counselor or visit the ACT website: www.act.org. Again, if you register for the ACT, you must select the “ACT Plus Writing” exam. To ensure West Point receives your test results, list the ACT college code number for USMA (2976) on your registration folder. To ensure your congressional representatives receive your test results, you must place their ACT code number



on your application. The congressional code numbers are listed in your test registration booklet or can be obtained on the ACT website at www.act.org.

SAT

Candidates taking the College Board exam for admissions are required to take the SAT I. (Note: SAT II subject tests are not required.) To take the examination, consult your guidance counselor or visit the “Student” section of the website: www.collegeboard.com. To ensure West Point receives your test results, list the college code number for West Point (2924) on the registration form. To ensure your congressional representatives receive your test results, contact your congressional representatives to obtain their College Board code numbers and record each number on the registration form. Your test results will be mailed directly to your congressional representatives. Final admissions decisions will be made by April 2009 from the data then present in the candidate’s file.

Qualifying Medical Exam

All candidates desiring to enroll in 2009 must take a Qualifying Medical Examination. One Qualifying Medical Examination meets the application requirements of all service academies and all ROTC scholarship programs. The Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB) will schedule your exam and evaluate the results after you have started an admissions file. You will receive instructions for taking the Qualifying Medical Examination directly from DoDMERB. It is important to schedule medical exams at the earliest time possible to allow sufficient time to resolve potential medical issues.

For information or questions on medical issues, applicants may visit the following DoDMERB website: <https://dodmerb.tricare.osd.mil>. To access information about DoDMERB, click on the “FAQs” link on the left column menu. For tracking medical status, applicants should click on the “Applicant” link. Detailed West Point medical requirements are covered in Appendix B.



Candidate Fitness Assessment

In order to qualify for admission to West Point, all candidates must pass the Candidate Fitness Assessment (CFA). The CFA measures strength, endurance, and agility. There are six events in this test: basketball throw for distance from kneeling position, pull-ups, timed shuttle run, modified sit-ups, pushups, and timed one-mile run. Those six events are described in more detail in Appendix C. Candidates will receive instruction booklets for their physical education instructors describing how to conduct this test in their schools. In addition, any Army officer or West Point liaison representative may administer the CFA.

Candidates are advised to prepare for this examination by engaging in vigorous activities such as running, general conditioning exercises, and competitive games, in addition to practicing the specific test events. The only other CFAs accepted by West Point are the Naval Academy or the Air Force Academy CFAs. It is the candidate's responsibility to have the results of one of these exams sent to the Director of Admissions.

7. Await Application Status.

A formal offer of admission is possible as early as November for fully qualified, outstanding candidates who have completed all admissions requirements and receive nominations. Admissions decisions are made on a rolling basis, with the majority of offers of admission announced by mid-April. Files not completed by the last working day in February 2009 will be closed to further consideration. It is possible that a few candidates will not be notified of acceptance until shortly before entrance in June. Offers of admission are conditional from the time of offer to date of admission.

8. Visit West Point.

Candidate Orientation Visits are offered Monday through Friday during the academic year (September to November and January through April). Members of

the Corps of Cadets volunteer to escort each candidate individually, and the orientation includes class attendance, a visit to the barracks, lunch in the Cadet Mess and an Admissions briefing. If you have the opportunity, a visit to West Point offers invaluable insight into cadet life and can greatly assist in the college decision-making process. A student who has applied for admission can arrange for a visit online at our website – www.admissions.usma.edu – by clicking on the Candidate Tours link. Others should call (845) 938-5760 to arrange for a daily visit. Please understand that at least two weeks' notice is required to schedule a visit.

9. Prepare for entrance to West Point.

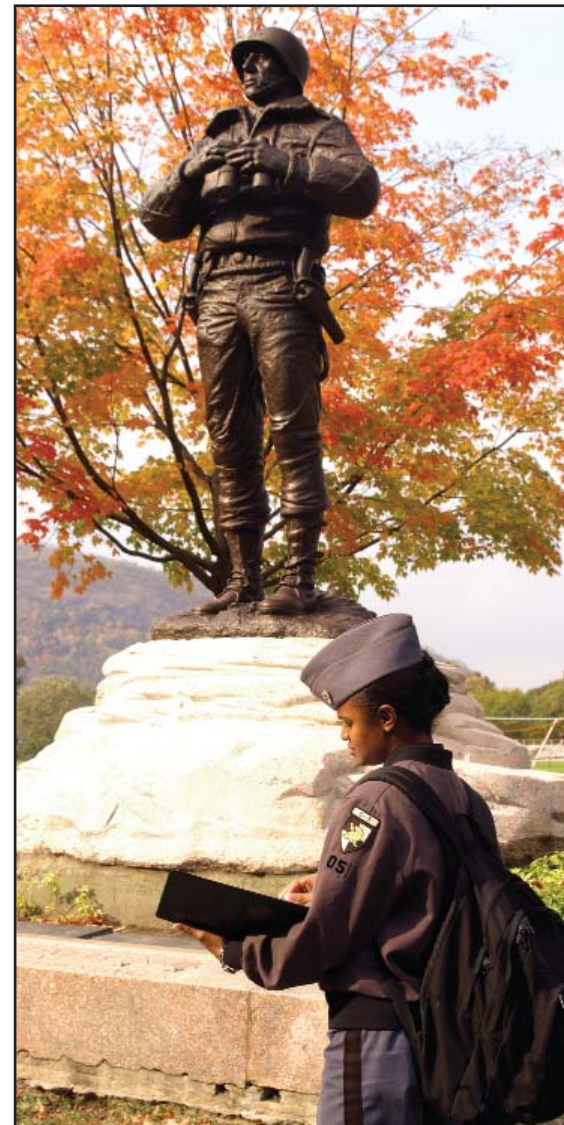
Candidates should prepare for the academic, physical, and leadership demands a cadet faces at West Point. If you have met the academic qualifications for admission, you will be ready for the challenges of the West Point curriculum. Work hard on your physical fitness conditioning before entering the academy. Vigorous conditioning exercises, swimming, and cross-country running are recommended. It is especially important that a candidate train through a variety of strenuous activities. Participation in school and community activities helps a future cadet prepare for leadership positions at West Point, and seeking leadership roles in those activities or on sports teams can further enhance leadership preparation.

West Point Liaison Officers

West Point Admissions enjoys the nationwide assistance of liaison officers who provide service to candidates. They include graduates of West Point, both in and out of the active Army, and US Army Reserve officers who have been trained at West Point for this specific program. These volunteers are available to assist candidates in the admissions process and to answer questions about specific West Point programs. Through them, the Admissions Office can maintain a flow of information about the West Point experience and assist candidates

in pursuit of appointments to the academy.

To locate a liaison officer or Admissions representative in your area, you first must find your congressional district. Visit the website www.house.gov and type in your zip code at the top of that page to locate your congressional representative. Then call the Admissions Office at (845) 938-4041 and ask for your region's candidate technician (Northeast, Southeast, Great Lakes, Southwest, or Far West). Your candidate technician can identify your local Admissions representative from your congressional district number.



Volume of Applicants

	Men	Women	Total
Applicant Files Started	8,075	2058	10,133
Nominated	2,952	529	3,481
Qualified (academically & in physical aptitude)	1,660	284	1,944
Admitted	1,097	195	1,292

Rank in High School Class

First Fifth	68%
Second Fifth	23%
Third Fifth	8%
Fourth Fifth	1%
Bottom Fifth	0%

American College Testing (ACT) Assessment Program Scores*

Range	Eng	Math	Sci Reas	Read
31-36	31%	25%	19%	46%
26-30	43%	58%	46%	41%
21-25	24%	16%	33%	13%
16-20	2%	1%	2%	0%
11-15	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mean	28	28	27	30

College Board Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) Scores**

Range	Verbal	Math
700-800	18%	22%
600-699	48%	57%
500-599	31%	20%
400-499	3%	1%
300-399	0%	0%
Mean	626	648

**Includes only scores used as a basis for admission.

Academic Honors

Class Valedictorians	60
Class Salutatorians	42
National Merit Scholarship Recognition	198
National Honor Society	737

Activities

Boys/Girls State Delegate	182
Class President or Student Body President	222
School Publication Staff	
School Paper Editor, Co-Editor or Staff	125
Yearbook Editor or Co-Editor	79
Debating	180
Dramatics	128
Scouting Participants	509
Eagle Scout (men) or Gold Award (women)	195
Varsity Athletics	1278
Letter Winner	1108
Team Captain	708

Geographical Distribution

The Class of 2012 entered West Point with 1,292 new cadets, including 1,278 United States citizens and 14 international cadets. Cadets were appointed by Congress from each of the 50 United States, as well as from military service sources. Twenty-seven combat veterans entered West Point with the Class of 2012.

The international cadets are from the countries of Taiwan, Korea, Columbia, Jordan, Romania, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Singapore, Paraguay, Slovenia, Serbia, Lithuania and El Salvador. Upon graduation, those cadets will return to their countries as officers in their respective armed forces.



PROFILE: CLASS OF 2012





Young people entering West Point can expect to expand their knowledge, to develop more fully the intellectual skills they need to assume responsibilities as junior officers, and to build strong foundations for assuming senior officer responsibilities. They will also acquire a firm foundation for postgraduate specialization in one of a variety of academic disciplines.



Brigadier General Patrick Finnegan
Dean of the Academic Board

The Educational Philosophy

West Point, as the only college specifically charged with preparing young men and women for service as officers in the United States Army, has a singular educational philosophy: Graduates must be enlightened military leaders of strong moral courage, whose minds are creative, critical, and resourceful.

Standard academic courses provide an essential core of knowledge in the arts and sciences with emphasis on problem-solving. Advanced and elective courses allow the individual cadet to concentrate or major in a specific area of interest.

The Academic Program, Physical Program, and Military Program form the three major aspects of the West Point leader-development experience. While the academy continually adapts itself to the pace of professional, national, and international change, it remains true to the sense of duty, honor, and service to country that has traditionally distinguished its graduates.

The Academic Curriculum

The present curriculum, described in detail later in this chapter, reflects more than 200 years of evolutionary change, both in the military profession and in higher education. Today's balanced offering of courses in the arts and sciences leads to a Bachelor of Science

degree and builds a foundation for continuing education and professional development.

Methods of Instruction

A cadet is far more than a mere face in the crowd. Small classes – usually 12 to 18 cadets – assure individual participation and individual attention.

Cadets are encouraged to participate daily and are evaluated frequently. If you are unsure of the material taught on any given day or wish to move beyond it, extra one-on-one instruction is available.

One of the unique features of the United States Military Academy is the **Center for Enhanced Performance (CEP)**, an unparalleled facility devoted to educating and training the key mental and academic skills that underlie high performance in all situations. At the CEP, cadets have the opportunity to participate in three different programs oriented on maximizing performance in West Point's academic, physical, and military experiences. Additionally, cadets can take an integrative course designed to incorporate fundamental skills from all three areas in order to more fully develop as self-regulated learners:

RS101 Student Success Course helps cadets enhance their overall cadet performance through education in time management, organization, note taking, test taking and reading efficiency to name a few. Additional lessons are taught that integrate academic and human performance strategies for a more holistic approach to student development.

The Performance Enhancement Program (PEP) provides individual and group instruction in applied sport psychology, using state-of-the-art training methods and sophisticated audio/video technologies. This training, as comprehensive and detailed as any received by professional and Olympic athletes, enables cadets to develop confidence under pressure, concentration amidst distractions, and composure during times of stress. Cadets participate in individual training sessions during free periods in their academic schedule, learning and then applying the skills of visualization, attention control, stress

management, and goal setting. Biofeedback training allows cadets to learn crucial self-regulation techniques, and sophisticated audio and video simulations of game and practice situations are created to facilitate guided imagery and mental rehearsal of specific sport skills. The center's own audio/video studio produces custom-made audio files from cadets' goal scripts, and instructional/motivational videos from game or practice footage. State-of-the-art electronic visual skills training devices allow cadets to improve peripheral awareness, visual concentration, and reaction speed. In addition to individual and collective mental skills instruction, the PEP also teaches:

PL360 Psychology of Elite Performance is a full-semester course in the theory and application of psychological skills related to physical, academic, and military performance. Cadets engage in detailed monitoring of cognition and affect, and complete projects in stress management, goal setting, imagery, and applied research.

The Academic Excellence Program (AEP) team is passionate about cadet success. As learning excellence professionals, AEP instructors teach and model comprehensive academic success strategies as part of course work and individual cadet appointments. Academic courses offered by the AEP include:

RS102 Reading Efficiency helps cadets increase reading speed and read more strategically without losing comprehension.

RS103 Information Literacy and Critical Thinking helps cadets become better consumers of information, better problem-solvers, and better able to think critically about how they construct and deconstruct arguments.

In addition to these courses, the AEP provides all West Point cadets with a variety of individualized and group programs and services focused on developing and meeting cadets' academic goals. They include the following:

ACADEMIC PROGRAM GOALS

The overarching goal of the Academic Program at West Point is “to enable its graduates to anticipate and to respond effectively to the uncertainties of a changing technological, social, political, and economic world.” From this goal, the academy derives a set of 10 specific program goals that address specific Army needs and reflect the attributes the academy seeks to develop in every graduate. The achievement and integration of all 10 Academic Program Goals enable graduates to meet the overarching goal.

Graduates anticipate and respond effectively to the uncertainties of a changing technological, social, political, and economic world.

Upon achieving this overarching goal, graduates will be able to:

- ★ listen, read, speak, and write effectively
- ★ think and act creatively
- ★ recognize moral issues and apply ethical considerations in decision-making
- ★ demonstrate the capability and desire to pursue progressive and continued intellectual development,

and demonstrate proficiency in six domains of knowledge:

- ★ Engineering and Technology
- ★ Math and Science
- ★ Information Technology
- ★ History
- ★ Culture
- ★ Human Behavior

- Support for cadets enrolled in MA100
- One of the nation’s most comprehensive tutor programs, including certification by the Collegiate Reading and Learning Association (CRLA)
- Coordinated Term End Examination preparation sessions
- Academic counselors specializing in the needs of student-athletes

The Military Enhancement Program (MEP) includes individual and group education focused on developing the full military potential of cadets using a systematic approach grounded in cutting-edge performance psychology and academic strategies in order to enhance adaptive thinking, mental agility, and self-regulation skills essential to the pursuit of overall personal strength, professional excellence, and the Warrior Ethos. The MEP has been widely used both at West Point and throughout the Army to enhance the mental skills necessary to thrive amidst pressure and stress within the dynamic and complex combat environment. The MEP has been heralded and greatly endorsed by the West Point Superintendent, the US Army Special Forces Community, US Army Medical Command, and up to the Chief of Staff of the Army. The success of the MEP is demonstrated by the tremendous expansion of the program to the Army as a whole. It has served as the model for the Army Centers for Enhanced Performance (ACEP) that are already training Soldiers throughout the Army. The ACEP will provide cadets the ability to hone and develop their mental skills throughout their Army careers to ensure a lifetime dedication to continual personal growth and individual achievement. The Center for Enhanced Performance is a powerful demonstration of the academy’s commitment to provide the finest training available to the future leaders of the nation.

Academic Support — West Point Library

The West Point Library serves cadets for both academic research and recreational reading. The library’s resources include more than 600,000 volumes, more than 900 journals in paper and electronic format, newspapers, government documents, audiovisual



materials, official West Point archives, microform journal files, and valuable special collections. Knowledgeable staff members are on hand seven days a week to provide individual and group assistance.

The library is located in Jefferson Hall, the academy's new learning center that opened in the fall of 2008. Sharing the facility with the Center for Enhanced Performance and the Center for Teaching Excellence, Jefferson Hall provides students with an inviting location for personal intellectual development. The combined learning center staff offers cadets and faculty the highest caliber of support in their pursuit of academic endeavors.

Working in a wireless laptop environment, cadets have access to the online catalog and a broad array of undergraduate and professional-level online reference and research services. Cadets have the opportunity to work with unique, primary-source historical material that has been collected from the papers of distinguished graduates. Many of these resources have been transformed to digital format and are available on the library's webpage.

Present library resources are comparable to those of a quality liberal arts college, but also reflect considerable strength in the fields of history, mathematics, science, and engineering. Extensive holdings in military subjects attract many national and international scholars for special research work at West Point.

Special collections include the papers and books of many famous West Point graduates including those of General Omar Bradley and General George Patton. The official cadet and academic records of the academy also provide a rich resource for study and research on West Point topics.

While the library continues to expand its resources through the newest technology and information resources, its history actually predates that of the academy. The book collection that formed the first library represents the first federal library in the United States. These early acquisitions were made by Colonel Sylvanus Thayer in Europe

during the two years before he became superintendent in 1817. With the support of then-Secretary of War James Monroe, Colonel Thayer purchased about 1,000 books, which formed the foundation of early engineering education in the nation.

Information Technology Learning Environment

West Point is committed to the idea of operating an "information rich" environment wherever learning occurs. Cadets and faculty at West Point enjoy the benefits of a first-class information technology environment. Every cadet has a notebook computer, and everyone is connected to a large array of powerful academic computing services at West Point, with unlimited access to the Internet. West Point has carefully crafted an electronic environment in which virtually every course offered has integrated computer use. This developmental "computer thread" fosters cadet use of their computers in the place where most learning occurs: in the barracks. Computer-aided design and simulation, dynamic news sources, worldwide electronic mail, spreadsheets, statistical analyses, database access, library bibliographic research and electronic bulletin boards are available to cadets. Document preparation, printing and other resources all contribute to an academic environment rich with information resources and electronic media tools. Cadets also register for classes, get grades and counseling reports, and receive and send homework assignments using the West Point network.

With more than 6,000 active users, the West Point network has been ahead of most educational institutions since its initial installation in 1989. On the average, approximately 8.5 million email messages transit the network monthly, with thousands of academic, sports, and internal webpages; information from virtually every aspect of the West Point experience is instantly available at every user's fingertips. The networking infrastructure continues to evolve to meet the needs of the cadets. West Point now has 100 percent secure wireless coverage in every academic building

and most common areas. In the next year, West Point will complete the common area coverage and expand the wireless reach to outdoor areas.

In the classroom, modern and powerful workstations and excellent projection devices connected to network services enable cadets and faculty to use sophisticated software, such as computer-aided design, modeling and simulation, 3-D terrain visualization, and foreign-language instruction, in support of classroom interaction. Computer laboratories feature the same user interface as cadets use in their rooms, and multimedia – digital sound and video, interactive instruction, streaming media, etc. – is used across the curriculum.

Graduates of West Point are well-versed in the use of information technology and services and are ready for the challenges awaiting them in the high-tech Army of the present and future.

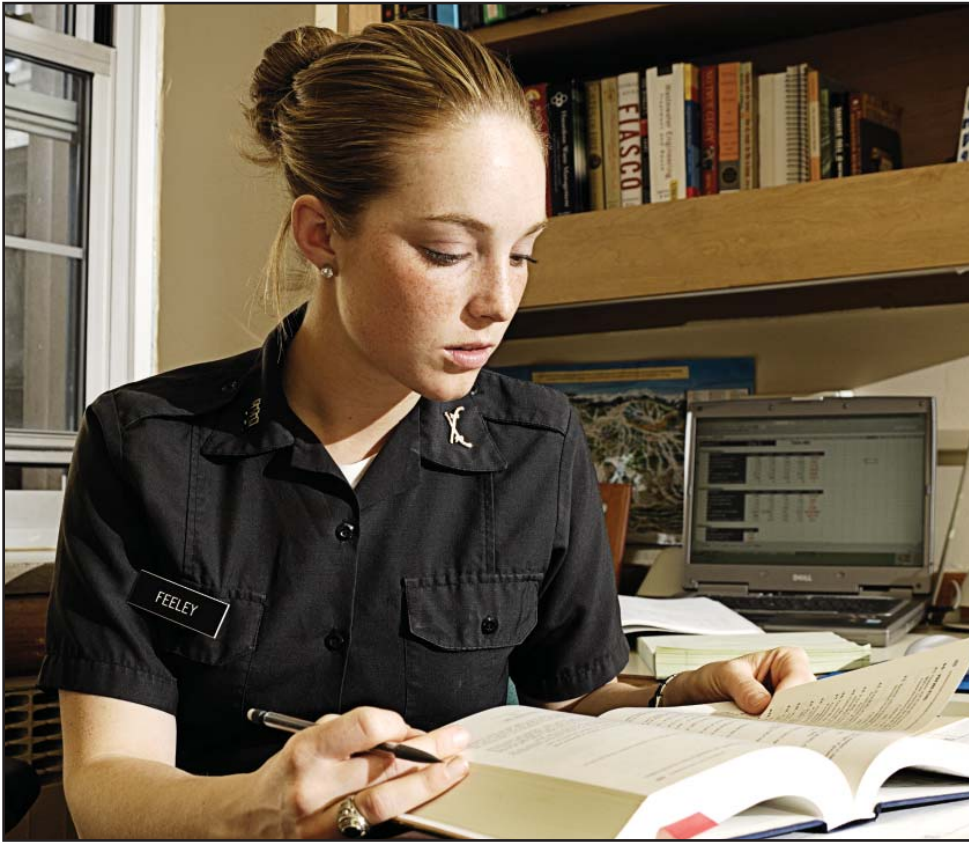
Questions on information technology may be directed to ietdassist@usma.edu.

Centers of Excellence

The West Point Centers of Excellence serve to enhance the quality of the Academic Program. They coordinate professional expertise and concentrate technical resources in order to enrich cadet education, enhance cadet academic performance, improve faculty teaching, promote faculty and cadet research, and provide outreach and support to the Army.

The Information Technology and Operations Center provides education and conducts and facilitates research in acquiring, using, managing, and protecting information for the Army.

The Combating Terrorism Center focuses on developing a better understanding of foreign and domestic terrorism threats to our national security, educating present and future leaders who will have countering terrorism responsibilities, and providing policy analysis and expertise to counter future terrorist threats. The center uses a multi-disciplinary approach that integrates



security studies, public policy, economics, and political science depending upon the nature of the problem.

The Operations Research Center provides opportunities for cadets and faculty to conduct analysis and research on projects that demonstrate the importance of operations research, systems engineering and engineering management in today's high-tech Army.

The Office of Economic and Manpower Analysis provides support to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, the Chief of Staff of the Army, and major subordinate commands in developing policy and planning for the Army of the future.

The Photonics Research Center conducts education and basic and applied research in spectroscopy, nonlinear optics and optoelectronics using state-of-the-art laser systems. Many of the research projects have direct application to emerging Army systems and involve cadets completing their individual design projects. The center is interdisciplinary with representation from the Department of Chemistry and Life Science, the Department of Physics, and the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

The Photonics Research Center is run in cooperation with the Army Research Office.

The Leader Development Research Center conducts programmatic research on Army-wide issues in the areas of organizational leadership and leader-development education and training.

The Mathematical Sciences Center provides opportunities for cadets and faculty to conduct research and analysis on current science and technology issues that are of interest to the Army. The center is run in cooperation with the Army Research Laboratory.

The Center for Molecular Sciences (CMS) promotes research in material chemistry, biotechnology, environmental chemistry, and chemical agent detecting and degradation. The CMS provides a 200 CPU supercomputer that allows cadets and faculty to pose, solve, and investigate new ideas that require computer modeling and simulation. A goal of the CMS is to provide access to all classes with a user-friendly interface and very fast completion times for jobs to enhance understanding and computational skills. The CMS has conducted and will continue to conduct a variety of research to support Army needs.

The Center for Technology-Enhanced Language Learning promotes second-language learning through the innovative use of speech recognition and other leading-edge technologies and provides technical expertise to the Department of Defense, federal government language learning agencies, and other educational institutions.

The Center for Environmental and Geographical Sciences provides cadets and faculty with the opportunity to conduct research that helps solve the Army's problems in the areas of environmental stewardship and geographical sciences.

The Mechanical Engineering Research Center provides faculty and cadets the opportunity to work on current research and development programs that will affect the fielding of systems throughout the 21st century.

The Civil Engineering Research Center coordinates external scholarship and outreach activities of civil engineering faculty and cadets to local communities, the Corps of Engineers, the Army, and other agencies.

The Center for Enhanced Performance is devoted to teaching and training the key mental and academic skills that are the foundation for excellence in cadet performance. The skills and techniques learned are applied to intellectual, physical, and military development.

The Center for Teaching Excellence conducts programs designed to improve cadet learning through faculty development. The center also provides resources to academic departments, particularly in the area of teaching with technology; oversees the use of the Advanced Technology Classroom Laboratory; and conducts educational research in collaboration with faculty members.

The Center for Physical Development Excellence is focused on maximizing the physical development and well-being of cadets at the United States Military Academy.

The Center for the Professional Military Ethic serves to develop curricula and other activities in order to promote cadets' understanding of officership and the development of a professional



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self-concept. The center coordinates the cadet professional military ethics education and plays an advisory role to the Department of Military Instruction in the advancement of the military instruction curriculum.

The Center for Command-Level Leaders plans and conducts research and development activities related to leader education and development in the US Army, with an emphasis on the integration and application of network-centric learning and web-based delivery of instruction.

The Center for Languages, Cultures, and Regional Studies pursues research to prepare Army leaders to meet 21st century challenges abroad by enhancing their foreign language proficiency, cultural competence, and regional expertise.

The Center for Oral History records professional military experiences of USMA graduates, Army officers and Soldiers to promote the education, training and inspiration of cadets and enrich the history of the US Army and West Point.

The Center for the Law of War promotes the development, application, dissemination, and teaching of the Law of War in all its dimensions.

The Nuclear Science and Engineering Research Center puts cadets and faculty on the leading edge of combating Weapons of Mass Destruction Research in areas of Non-Proliferation, Counter-Proliferation, and Consequence Management. The center is run in cooperation with the Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

The Network Science Center extends fundamental network science knowledge and contributes to the creation and application of network science and technology to enable the capabilities envisioned for net-centric Army operations.

Lecture Series

Academic departments and other groups sponsor a comprehensive lecture series that complements the

academy's course of instruction. Guest lecturers include recognized authorities in various academic disciplines, noted authors, playwrights, religious and civic leaders, businessmen, and military leaders.

Among recent lecturers have been Coach Mike Krzyzewski (USMA '69); American entrepreneur T. Boone Pickens; President George W. Bush; broadcaster Tom Brokaw; former U.S. Treasury Secretary William E. Simon; Reverend Desmond Tutu, archbishop of Cape Town, South Africa; former U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali; Madeleine K. Albright, former U.S. ambassador to the U.N. and former secretary of state; former New York City mayors Rudy Giuliani and Ed Koch; and former Philippines President Fidel Ramos (USMA '50).

Other notables who have lectured at the academy include H. Ross Perot, founder of EDS Corporation and

former presidential candidate; Frank Borman, former astronaut and CEO of Eastern Airlines; Sandra Day O'Connor, former associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; and Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, founder of the National Rainbow Coalition.

Graduate Civil Schooling

The growing complexity of technology, international diplomacy, and world commitments of the Army has increasingly come to demand that Army officers attend civilian graduate institutions. Many Academy graduates who serve on active duty more than the required five years attend graduate school through the Army Civil Schooling Program or on a scholarship or fellowship.



WEST POINT 2007-2008 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Cadet Nathaniel Bastian
Fulbright Scholarship



Cadet Jason Crabtree
Marshall Scholarship



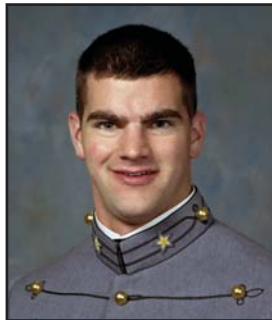
Cadet Jason Crabtree
Rhodes Scholarship



Cadet Michael Duda
East-West Fellowship



Cadet Nicholas Hanauer
East-West Fellowship



Cadet Elijah Harrington
Churchill Scholarship



Cadet Tyler Jost
Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship



Cadet Cole Livieratos
East-West Fellowship



Cadet Michael McMahon
Gates Scholarship



Cadet Robert Rose
Gates Scholarship



Cadet Melvin Sanborn
Marshall Scholarship



Cadet Christopher Tarney
Truman Scholarship



Cadet Khalil Tawil
Fulbright Scholarship



Cadet Brad Wilson
Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship

West Point is 4th on the list of total winners for **Rhodes Scholarships**, 4th on the list of **Hertz Fellows**, and 7th for **Marshall Scholarships**. In each case the institutions with more scholarship winners also have larger student bodies.



Army Civil Schooling Program

Qualified graduates are normally selected for fully funded master's programs at civilian graduate schools between their fourth and 10th years of active military service.

Medical and Legal Training

Up to two percent of each West Point graduating class may attend medical school immediately following graduation. The exact number each year will vary depending upon the needs of the service, the qualifications of the applicants, and their acceptance into medical schools. There are two fully funded sources that produce physicians for the Army: the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and the US Army Health Professions Scholarship Program. West Point graduates may participate in either program. If not selected to attend immediately following graduation, they may compete with other active duty Army officers after they are commissioned. Under the provisions of the Judge Advocate General Funded Legal Education Program, selected officers may attend law school. West Point graduates must complete two years of active duty to become eligible for consideration. Selection for law school is competitive among all active duty officers who apply.

Phi Kappa Phi

The West Point chapter of the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi was established in 1978. Membership in the society is based upon demonstrated academic ability and good character. Any cadet may be elected to membership who is a Second Class cadet (junior) and ranks, by Academic Order of Merit, in the upper five percent of the class or is a First Class cadet (senior) and ranks in the upper 10 percent of the class.

Fellowships and Scholarships

Rhodes Scholarships

Eighty-seven academy graduates since 1923 have been awarded Rhodes Scholarships to attend Oxford University while on active duty, making West Point

the nation's fourth-ranking source of Rhodes Scholars. Seven cadets in the Class of 2008 were selected as Rhodes finalists, and Cadet Jason Crabtree won the Rhodes Scholarship in November 2007. Selection is based on four categories specified in Cecil Rhodes' will: (1) intellectual excellence and attainment, (2) strength of character, (3) demonstrated leadership ability, and (4) the demonstration of physical vigor. Rhodes hoped that scholars would "esteem the performance of public duties as their highest aim."

Marshall Scholarships

The Marshall Scholarship program was established in 1953 by the government of the United Kingdom in honor of General George C. Marshall and in gratitude for the Marshall Plan. The program annually awards scholarships to graduates of United States colleges and universities for two years of study of any subject leading to the award of a British university degree. Cadets Jason Crabtree and Melvin Sanborn were selected as a Marshall Scholars in November 2007. The selection committee looks for distinction of intellect and character, as evidenced by scholastic performance and other achievements. West Point first participated in the Marshall Scholarship competition in 1983. Thirty-five Marshall scholarships have been awarded to West Point graduates, marking the academy as a Marshall Scholarship Center of Excellence.

Gates Cambridge Scholarships

The Gates Cambridge Scholarship was established in 2001 through an endowment by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The scholarship is awarded to graduating college seniors who have proven academic and leadership abilities and shown an interest in issues of global concern, including education, science and health care. The scholarship provides recipients one to three years of study leading to a graduate degree from Cambridge University. West Point graduates have received 10 scholarships since first competing, with Cadets Michael McMahon and Robert Rose named Gates Scholars in February 2008.

Harry S Truman Scholarships

The Harry S Truman Foundation scholarship is awarded to college juniors who have demonstrated a dedication to public service. All the service academies began competing for this prestigious scholarship in 1991. Twenty-seven West Point cadets have been awarded the scholarship; Cadet Christopher Tarney from the Class of 2008 was awarded the Truman scholarship in 2007.

George Mitchell Scholarships

The U.S.-Ireland Alliance awards George Mitchell scholarships to twelve graduating American seniors annually for one year of graduate study in Ireland or Northern Ireland. The academy first competed for the scholarship in 2001; since then, five cadets have been selected as Mitchell Scholars.

Rotary Foundation Scholarships

The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship provides the opportunity for cadets to earn a master's degree during two years of study in one of more than 150 countries around the world. The scholarship is awarded periodically by the Rotary Club whose district encompasses West Point. The academy has six Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars, with Cadets Tyler Jost and Brad Wilson winning the award in 2008.

Fulbright Scholarships

The United States Congress created the Fulbright Program in 1946 as a step toward building international cooperation. With 140 participating countries, it is designed to give scholars the opportunity to observe political, economic and cultural institutions, exchange ideas and embark on joint ventures of importance to the general welfare of the world's inhabitants. Cadets first competed for the Fulbright in 2004. Cadets Nathaniel Bastian and Khalil Tawil are the eighth and ninth West Pointers to win Fulbright Scholarships.

Churchill Scholarships

The Winston Churchill Scholarship

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Freshman Year	1	Composition	History (US or World)	Information Technology I	Chemistry	Math
	2	Literature	History (US or World)	Psychology	Chemistry	Math
Sophomore Year	1	Foreign Language*	American Politics	Philosophy	Physics	Math
	2	Foreign Language*	Economics	Physical Geography	Physics	Math
Junior Year	1	International Relations	Military Leadership	Core Engineering or Elective	Information Technology II	Elective
	2	Advanced Composition	Elective	Core Engineering or Elective	Elective	Elective
Senior Year	1	Constitutional and Military Law	Military History	Core Engineering or Elective	Elective	Elective
	2	Elective	Military History	Elective	Elective	Elective

* Seven languages offered: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish

provides support for one year of study and research at the University of Cambridge for 12 of the nation's best math, science, and engineering students. This year is the first time the service academies were invited to compete for the Churchill, and Cadet Elijah Harrington was awarded West Point's first Churchill Scholarship in April 2007.

National Science Foundation Fellowships

Thirty-seven cadets have been awarded National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships since 1961. Outstanding cadets compete annually for the fellowships, which enable them to pursue graduate study at the universities of their choice.

Hertz Foundation Fellowships

Since 1969, 37 cadets have won five-year Hertz Foundation Fellowships leading to doctorates in Applied Physical Science disciplines. Academic performance, recommendations and personal interviews are factors considered by the foundation.

East-West Center Fellowship

Thirty-five cadets have received the East-West Center Fellowship. This award provides an opportunity for cadets to

earn a masters degree in studies related to countries of the Pacific Rim at the University of Hawaii's East-West Center. Class of 2008 Cadets Cole Livieratos, Michael Duda, and Nicholas Hanauer were awarded the fellowships.

The Academic Curriculum

The Academy's curriculum offers a balanced education in the arts and sciences, while also permitting cadets to pursue academic specialization in majors of their choice. The two components of the academic curriculum are a broad, general, core program that is prescribed and an elective program that is individually selected. The core curriculum is the foundation of the academic program and provides a foundation in mathematics, basic sciences, engineering sciences, information technology, humanities, behavioral sciences and social sciences. This core curriculum, ranging in size from 26 to 30 courses depending upon the major, represents the essential broad base of knowledge necessary for success as a commissioned officer, while also supporting each cadet's choice of academic specialization. It is, in effect, the "professional major" for every cadet, since it prepares each graduate for a career as a commissioned officer in the Army.

The Academy curriculum complements the core program by providing the opportunity for study in depth through the elective program, the choice of which leads to a major. Cadets may choose from more than 40 academic majors that cover virtually all the liberal arts, sciences and engineering disciplines one would expect to find in a high-quality, selective college or university of comparable size. At the academy, cadets may enter most majors without restriction. No special grade point averages are established for entry, but there may be a limit to the number of cadets in a particular major. Each study-in-depth program offers cadets an integrative experience – as a course or project – that addresses the overarching academic program goal: to anticipate and to respond effectively to the uncertainties of a changing technological, social, political and economic world.

The baseline path to graduation requires the cadet to complete 10 electives defined by the disciplinary field. For those cadets who desire to enrich their academic experiences and pursue disciplines in greater depth, majors that go beyond the baseline are available on a voluntary basis. Cadets electing these majors must follow more-demanding sequences, with 11 or more electives,



ACADEMIC PROGRAM



and complete a senior thesis or design project. Cadets who maintain a 3.0 grade point average in the core curriculum and a 3.5 average in their majors, and who complete additional course work beyond that prescribed for the majors, may graduate with honors.

To graduate, cadets must successfully complete the baseline requirement of 40 academic courses, seven semesters of physical education and four military science courses, and achieve a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0. Within the 40 academic courses, cadets must successfully complete or validate each course in the core curriculum and complete a major.

Validation and Advanced Placement

Cadets may be excused from ("validate") certain core courses if they have sufficient knowledge of a subject to meet the appropriate

department's standards. Credit earned in other colleges, advanced placement examination scores, and tests administered at West Point are considered in validation decisions. Advanced placement examination scores may be used in mathematics, physics, chemistry, history, social sciences, and foreign languages. Validation of a core course allows a cadet to substitute an additional elective in place of the validated course.

If a cadet shows unusual ability or has prior knowledge of a subject but cannot validate it, he or she may be enrolled in an advanced or accelerated program.

Individual Advanced Study

If a cadet is an exceptional student, he or she may enroll in advanced individual study in many of the disciplines taught at West Point. These programs emphasize independent or tutorial work and are excellent preparation for graduate study.

Individual Advanced Development Program

During the summers preceding both the junior and senior years, cadets select academic, military, or physical-development programs to enrich their individual development. Cadets may choose from more than 150 academic-enrichment opportunities that normally involve about three weeks of active summer participation in educational experiences and that include, but are not limited to, the following: Operation Crossroads Africa, research work in technical laboratories throughout the United States, immersion language training in foreign countries, medical internships at Walter Reed Medical Center, study at other civilian and military institutions, and numerous work-fellow positions with federal and Department of Defense agencies.

Majors Offered

American Legal Studies	Environmental Science	Management
Art, Philosophy, and Literature	Environmental Studies	Mathematical Sciences
Basic Science	Foreign Area Studies	Mathematical Studies
Chemical Engineering	Latin America, Europe, Middle East, Eurasia, East Asia	Mechanical Engineering **
Chemical Engineering Studies	Foreign Language	Mechanical Engineering Studies
Chemistry	Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish	Military Art and Science
Civil Engineering **	Geospatial Information Science	Nuclear Engineering
Civil Engineering Studies	History	Nuclear Engineering Science
Computer Science ***	Human Geography	Operations Research
Economics	Information Engineering	Operations Research Studies
Electrical Engineering **	Information Technology	Physics
Electronic and Information Technology Systems	International and Comparative Legal Studies	Political Science
Engineering Management **	Kinesiology	Psychology
Engineering Psychology	Leadership	Sociology
Environmental Engineering	Life Science	Systems Engineering **
Environmental Geography		Systems Management

** Major programs accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commissions (EAC) of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

*** Major Programs accredited by the Computer Science Accreditation Commissions (CSAC) of the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board (CSAB) which is now part of ABET.



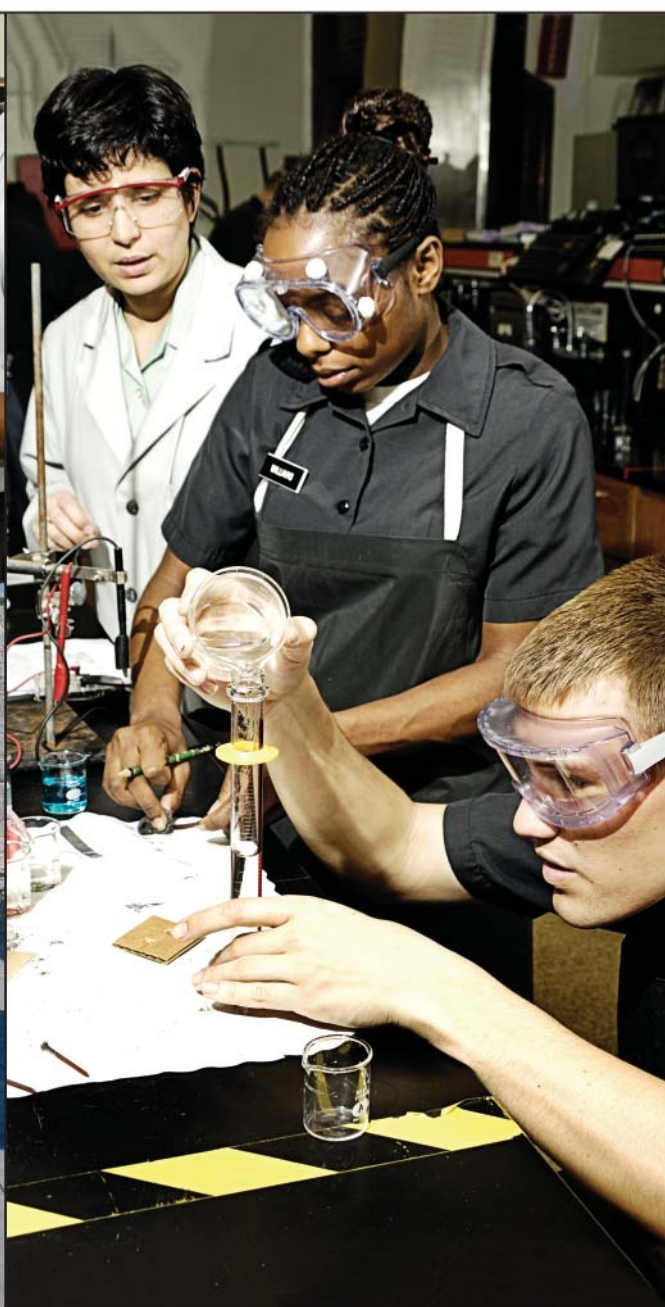
The 13 academic departments of the academy, under the direction of the Dean of the Academic Board, are organized to support the core curriculum as well as the more than 40 majors offered at West Point.



MAJORS & COURSES OF INSTRUCTION

The Commandant of Cadets oversees the Department of Military Instruction and the Department of Physical Education.

NOTE: For the courses described in this section, first-year courses are numbered in the 100s, second-year courses in the 200s, third in the 300s, and fourth in the 400s. Credit hours represent contact hours and associated preparation; e.g., 3 credit hours are assigned to a course that meets five times within a two week period and requires two hours preparation for each hour in class.





The Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership provides majors in the behavioral sciences, management and leadership, with emphasis on relevance and applicability to an Army career. Our curriculum is designed to assist cadets toward development of an understanding of leadership and human behavior essential to the military leader. The department offers two courses in the core curriculum – General Psychology for Leaders (fourth class year) and Military Leadership (second class year).





Behavioral Sciences Majors

The Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership offers majors in five disciplines: Psychology, Engineering Psychology, Leadership, Management, and Sociology. The common theme across these disciplines is an emphasis on a sophisticated understanding of human behavior, organizations and society. This unifying, interdisciplinary emphasis ensures that every major has direct, immediate and enduring relevance to the lives of our graduates, whether during their careers as Army officers, in graduate school, or as leaders in the global business arena.

Study within the department stresses the understanding of human behavior at the individual, small group, organizational and societal levels, and an understanding of organizational functioning related to processes, strategies, and change. Each major allows a cadet to structure an appropriate sequence of core courses and electives that result in insights from multiple perspectives – psychological, physiological, sociological, managerial, and organizational.

Standard and Advanced Courses

PL100 General Psychology for Leaders

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

General Psychology for Leaders is a journey into the world of psychology. PL100 focuses on the development of adaptive leaders of character by establishing a foundation of scientific understanding of human behavior as it applies to current and future endeavors. The course emphasizes the application of behavioral principles to your life – as a cadet and as a future commissioned officer. Accordingly, PL100 is relevant to you as a course with both academic and professional significance. Within academics, it serves as the foundation for subsequent study in the behavioral sciences. As a professional course, it represents a step in a lifetime of studying the art and science of leadership.

3 Credit Hours

PL150 Advanced General Psychology for Leaders

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Permission of the professor.

Provides a broad understanding of human behavior through the study of perception, learning, motivation, personality, and social relations. Builds upon this broad understanding using supplemental readings, formal class discussion sessions, and assignments that challenge cadets to apply what they learn to their lives as cadets and future officers.

3 Credit Hours

PL300 Military Leadership

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100, First or Second Class cadets only.

Contributes to the leadership development of cadets by applying the theories and models of the behavioral sciences to leadership as it functions in a military environment.

3 Credit Hours

Elective Courses

PL350 Advanced Military Leadership

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100, Second or First Class cadets only and permission of the course director.

Offers selected cadets the opportunity to delve more deeply into the theories and models taught in PL300. Contributes to the leadership development of cadets by applying the theories and models of the behavioral sciences to leadership as it functions in a military environment.

3 Credit Hours

PL360 Psychology of Enhanced Performance

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

This course is designed to enhance cadets' academic, athletic, physical, and military performance through the application of essential psychological skills. Skills and strategies presented include confidence, problem solving, goal setting, energy management, performance routines, leadership, overcoming performance obstacles, and imagery. The skills and strategies are immediately applied to cadets' present performance at USMA and provide the basis for lifelong excellence.

3 Credit Hours

PL361-362 Research Methods I & II

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100.

Two-course sequence that focuses on the conduct and evaluation of behavioral science research and enables the cadet to understand the philosophy of the scientific approach in the behavioral sciences.

3 Credit Hours

PL371 Introductory Sociology

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100.

Provides a sociological perspective for the objective analysis and understanding of individuals, groups, institutions, and societies. After learning the basic concepts of sociology, the cadets learn to apply them critically and intelligently.

3 Credit Hours



PL372 Marriage and the Family

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

Provides the cadet a detailed examination of a major social institution, the family. Portions of the course are dedicated to the unique aspects of the military family, as well as children, ethnicity, and other sociological features of American families.

3 Credit Hours



PL373 The Life Cycle and Human Development

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Focuses on the scientific study of the progressive development of selected physical, cognitive, emotional and social factors throughout the entire human life span. Cadets are better prepared to deal with the growth needs and development changes of individuals within their units and their own personal lives.

3 Credit Hours

PL376 Personality and Abnormal Psychology

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Examines various theoretical viewpoints of how personality develops. Also focuses on the recognition and classification of behavior resulting from faulty development and a failure to adjust.

3 Credit Hours

PL377 Social Inequality

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Examines the past and present state of social inequality in the United States and the social forces that contribute to it. Includes in-depth analysis of the interactions among race, gender, ethnicity, and social class as they relate to the distribution of power, status, and wealth in America.

3 Credit Hours

PL379 Group Dynamics

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Provides an in-depth analysis of several aspects of small group behavior. Particular emphasis is on the development of teams through a systematic application of behavioral science concepts. The course illustrates the practical value of a theoretical foundation in the social psychology of small groups.

3 Credit Hours

PL383 Social Psychology

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Promotes understanding of how individual behavior is influenced by interaction with other people. Topics include social perception, social influences, attitudes, aggression, and small group functioning.

3 Credit Hours

PL384 Sociological Theory

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Provides a set of interrelated ideas that allow for the systemization of knowledge of the social world, the explanation of that world, and predictions about the future of the world. Cadets learn how theories can help make sense of our times and to choose courses of action to realize our collective and individual goals. Questions are addressed, such as: “Are families disintegrating?” “What accounts for the crime rate?” “Why are some people discriminated against?” “Are religion

and economics compatible?” “Why is the sexual division of labor so persistent?” and “Are wars inevitable?” among others are addressed.

3 Credit Hours

PL385 Organizational Systems, Theory, and Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL300.
 Examines, through the lenses of different metaphors, the structure and design of contemporary organizations. Organizations are studied from both theoretical and applied perspectives and as goal-centered, open systems, impacted by their environment. Contemporary case studies are supplemented by review of classical writings in organization theory.

3 Credit Hours

PL386 Experimental Psychology

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.
 Uses the content areas of sensation and perception, learning, cognition and psychobiology to allow the cadet to conduct and evaluate experiments. The course stresses understanding and mastery of experimental designs and controls, use of computers and test instrumentation, statistics, and qualitative methods. Emphasis is placed on applied laboratory work.

3 Credit Hours



PL387 Foundations of Counseling

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100.

Focuses on the fundamental and practical applications of counseling. Emphasis is placed on performance counseling as well as problem counseling in the context of the leader as a counselor. Cadets learn the counseling process and the dynamics of the interpersonal relationships within that process. Topics include structuring the counseling relationship, facilitating techniques, and analyzing communications.

3 Credit Hours

PL390 Biological Psychology

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

Introduces the physiological and anatomical structures and processes underlying human behavior with emphasis on human performance in combination with battlefield technology. Examines the structure of the nervous and endocrine systems, visual, tactile, emotions, and learning with a heavy emphasis on laboratory work.

3 Credit Hours

PL391 Sensation, Perception, and Psycho-physics

First Term—Prerequisites: PL390, PL386.

The course focuses on the dynamics between physical stimuli and perception of sight, sound, taste, smell, orientation, and touch. The course provides an integrative survey of the ontogeny of sensory systems in mammals, the principle methods used to study these systems, the biology underlying the sensory pathways, the physics defining the stimuli to which the pathways are sensitive and the organizing constructs and theories relating sensory processes to perception. Implications for human factors engineering are discussed.

3 Credit Hours

PL392 Cognitive Psychology

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

Approaches human behavior and performance from the information processing perspective, including the following topic areas: cognition and memory, information processing models, learning and performance prediction, battlefield cognition, and artificial intelligence. Emphasis is on applied military problems.

3 Credit Hours

PL393 Criminology

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

Survey of the academic discipline of criminology. This course adopts a system perspective in relating the causes of crime to the treatment of crime. Upon completion of the course, the cadet should understand contemporary sociological theories of crime and society's current response to crime.

3 Credit Hours

PL394 Anthropometrics and Biomechanics

Second Term—Prerequisites: PL390.

Anthropometrics is the study of human measurement. Biomechanics is the study of forces on our muscular and skeletal system. The goal of this course is to teach cadets the fundamentals of anthropometrics and biomechanics so that they will be able to modify work environments to prevent injury and enhance performance. The course emphasizes measuring and modeling human performance in various activities but particularly in military settings.

3 Credit Hours

PL398 Leadership Theory and Development

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL300.

Provides additional study of the concepts and theories of leadership, beginning with the historical evolution of leadership theory and ending with contemporary views of the leadership process. The effects of key leadership concepts are considered at the individual, group, and organizational levels.

3 Credit Hours

PL470 Special Topics in Behavioral Science and Leadership

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100 and permission of the professor.

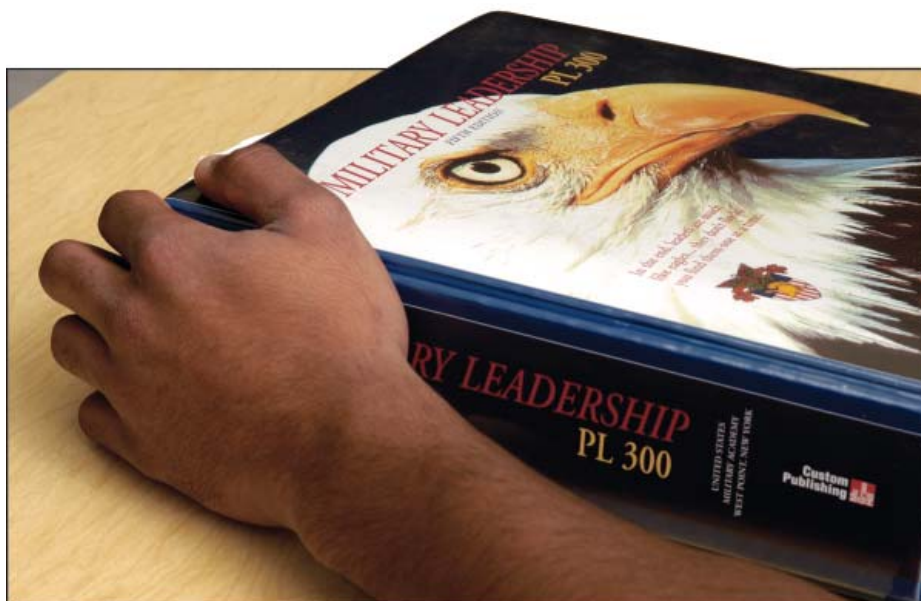
This course explores an advanced topic in Behavioral Sciences and Leadership in a novel, nontraditional, and creative way. The content, process, and delivery of the Special Topics course challenge cadets to think and discuss cutting-edge issues. Current courses include Cinematic Images of War and the Military and Deviance and Social Control. Others are determined by the senior faculty in conjunction with cadet interest.

3 Credit Hours

PL471 Leadership in Combat

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL300.

Examines leadership at the tactical level from an interdisciplinary approach in order to better prepare cadets to lead in combat. It first seeks to provide a theoretical foundation for understanding human dimensions of combat, and then explores some of the factors that influence the leadership of Soldiers in combat through a collection of readings, film, and first-hand discussions with combat veterans. Area I (Theoretical Perspectives on Leadership in Combat) provides an interdisciplinary foundation for the course using the disciplines of psychology, social psychology, sociology, and history. Area II (Factors Influencing Soldiers in Combat) examines a selection of factors influencing behavior in combat. Its intent is to provide the opportunity to reflect on a variety of such influences – in this case, fear, courage, cohesion, stress, killing, death, and the enemy. Area III (Case Studies in Combat





Leadership at the Tactical Level) provides the opportunity to delve more deeply into the nature of combat leadership. Several case studies are the centerpiece of this area.

3 Credit Hours

PL472 Cross-Cultural Organizational Behavior

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

This course examines the individual, group and organizational level influences on human behavior in organizations. Cadets will gain an understanding of these influences and use the insights gained to formulate leader actions to effectively motivate and lead individuals and teams. The course emphasizes the practical application of organizational behavior theories and research findings to everyday situations cadets encounter as well as to those they will encounter in the field Army. Course content includes an overview of research methods in the behavioral sciences, foundations of individual behavior, diversity, international organizational behavior, motivation, decision making, feedback and rewards, power and influence. We will also examine organizational influences on ethical behavior with an emphasis on creating ethical climates in the organizations to which we belong.

3 Credit Hours

PL475 Human-Computer Interaction

First Term—Prerequisite: PL392.

Computer use in the world today is at an all-time high. Consequently, the need for user-friendly computers is crucial. Somewhat ironically, human capacity for memory has often been explained using the computer metaphor, while the computer designer often attempts to instill humanlike qualities into their computer designs. This course focuses on the interaction between the human and computer. Initial focus is placed on understanding the theoretical foundations of human processes. The course then examines how these processes interact with computer usage. Cadets will learn design principles that enhance human compatibility with computer systems.

3 Credit Hours

PL476 Educational Psychology

First Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

Oriented toward the study of psychological theories of learning and application of these theories to design, implementation, and evaluation of adult educational and training experiences. Three major areas examined are the adult learner, the learning process, and instructional systems.

3 Credit Hours

PL479 Leading Organizations through Change

First Term—Prerequisite: PL300.

Examines change from an organizational perspective through a complex and diverse mix of theories, concepts, and information drawn from the behavioral sciences, business, management, and military doctrine. Cadets analyze the successes, failures, and dilemmas facing contemporary organizational leaders in both the public and private sector using case studies.

3 Credit Hours

PL482 Armed Forces and Society

Second Term—Prerequisite: PL100.

Provides an understanding of the military as an institution in relation to the larger society, analyzing selected groups within the military from a sociological perspective. Contemporary social problems related to the military and civilian relations are examined in the United States and other countries.

3 Credit Hours

PL485 Human Engineering

First Term—Prerequisites: PL391, PL392.

Surveys the theories and methods of human factors engineering. Human factors engineering is concerned with the application of technology and the design of equipment for human use. This course emphasizes the empirical research basis of human engineering. The focus is on understanding the capabilities and limitations of humans as they interact with equipment and facilities. This course lays the foundation for the systematic application of information about humans to the design of equipment and workspace environments.

3 Credit Hours

PL488 Colloquium in the Behavioral Sciences (488B, C, D, E)

Both Terms—Prerequisite: First Class Psychology Major.

Focuses on advanced study of behavioral science topics using small group discussions of important books and articles. Issues in psychology, sociology, engineering psychology, and organizational leadership are analyzed. This is an advanced reading and discussion course. Subcourse topics are not fixed and are subject to annual revision.

3 Credit Hours

PL490 Engineering Psychology

Second Term—Prerequisite: First Class Engineering Psychology Major.

Integrates the material previously covered in PL386, Experimental Psychology; PL390, Biological Psychology; PL391, Sensation, Perception and Psychophysics; PL392, Cognitive Psychology; and uses the theoretical bases and practical applications in the treatment of applied military problems. Emphasis is on the design of hardware to fit human capabilities. Laboratory use will be aimed principally at assisting cadet team course projects. Course project is a design project of a contemporary applied military problem.

3 Credit Hours

PL497 Seminar in the Behavioral Sciences

First Term—Prerequisite: Open to majors only.

Individuals select a topic of interest and produce a research proposal. This proposal must include a review of the scientific literature in that area, the formulation of a research question and hypotheses, and a detailed description of the methodology to be used. Each cadet will work one-on-one with a faculty advisor.

3 Credit Hours



PL498 Advanced Individual Study in the Behavioral Sciences

Second Term—Prerequisite: Successful completion of PL497. Open to majors only.

Individuals conduct actual research in the behavioral sciences. Each cadet is assigned an individual instructor who has an advanced degree in the area of the study or research project. The instructor then mentors the cadet through the research process.

3 Credit Hours

PL499 Leaders in Action

Second Term—Prerequisite: First Class cadets only.

This course is designed to enhance cadets' leadership performance through the application of essential leadership skills in challenging, on-going, real-world projects, and scenario-driven leadership laboratory exercises. First, cadets consider specific concepts, theories and models of leadership covered in prior courses. Then, using a pool of projects resourced by the faculty expressly for this course, cadets wrestle with real-world leadership projects (such as leading an organizational unit through an unexpected change), keeping these issues and insights in mind. Finally, both during and after the project, cadets engage in self-reflection exercises (e.g., journals) and meet with faculty mentors, to help process and make sense of their leadership experience on both a personal and conceptual level.

3 Credit Hours

MG380 Marketing

Second Term—Prerequisite: None.

Cadets will learn and apply marketing concepts (to include marketing strategy, market research, and marketing plans) to influence individual and group behavior and accomplish organizational goals by delivering superior customer value. Cadets will learn how to effectively segment and communicate with their target audience. Cadets will learn several frameworks that help them analyze an organization's environment so that they can make effective, strategic marketing decisions. Application on US Army marketing issues will be used throughout the course, including designing recruiting campaigns for the Army and USMA.

3 Credit Hours

MG381 Introduction to Management

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course surveys the field of general management. It introduces cadets to the many managerial activities organizational leaders use to direct an organization's resources (human, financial, physical, and information) as effectively

as possible. The study of these activities will be organized around the management framework of planning and decision-making, organizing, leading, and controlling. In addition, cadets will examine the history of the field of management, as well as learn qualitative and quantitative techniques for conducting organizational research.

3 Credit Hours

MG382 Human Resource Management

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PL100.

Examines the management of people in organizations. Cadets learn effective human resource strategies to lead people to achieve organizational goals. Emphasis is on practical application of theory and the design of personnel management systems.

3 Credit Hours

MG390 Negotiations

Second Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course immerses cadets in fundamental-level negotiations and bargaining theory and application. The course progresses from dual-party, single-issue, distributive scenarios to multi-party/multi-issue/integrative scenarios. Cadets learn and practice systematic ways to devise an effective strategy prior to entering a negotiation and then actually apply bargaining tools and tactics

during the negotiation in order to accomplish their individual and organizational goals. Cadets learn concepts and frameworks that help them analyze and understand human behavior so that they have a perspective from all parties involved in a negotiation. Emphasis is placed on applying the behavioral principles learned to real-world issues and their impacts on functioning as future Army officers.

3 Credit Hours

MG421 Strategic Management

Second Term—Prerequisites: MG381, PL375, PL381, SS394, and SS494; First Class cadets only.

This capstone course for general management majors emphasizes the integration and application of previously learned management concepts found in private, public, and military organizational settings. The course focuses on the human resource implications of the interrelationships between quantitative, economic, and behavioral science considerations within the management milieu. The course features the case study method approach and a major course project, which requires comprehensive in-depth analysis of realistic management situations as the culmination of the cadet's general management studies.

3 Credit Hours





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he Department of Chemistry and Life Science presents a two-semester general chemistry course to all Fourth Class cadets.

The purpose of this course is to contribute to each cadet's background those fundamental principles of chemistry and modern experimental techniques that are vital to an understanding of man's external environment. The course is also fundamental to success in subsequent scientific and engineering courses and is necessary for continued intellectual growth and development as a professional



officer. The department also provides elective courses that support a Chemistry Major, a Life Science Major and a Chemical Engineering Major. Each of these programs prepares cadets for service in any of the branches of the Army and for graduate studies in chemistry, chemical engineering, or the life sciences or for medical school.

Chemistry, Life Science, and Chemical Engineering Majors

The Department of Chemistry and Life Science offers separate majors for cadets with an interest in chemistry, chemical engineering, or the life sciences. Many of the department electives have practical laboratory work integrated with the classroom instruction to improve the individual's fundamental understanding of complex concepts and processes. Particular emphasis is directed toward practical applications. Scientific maturation is expected, especially in the areas of experimental observations, organization and use of data, deductive reasoning, problem solving, logical decision-making, technical writing ability, and delineation of conclusions.

Core Courses

CH101/CH102 General Chemistry

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

This is a general chemistry course that emphasizes the fundamental concepts, principles, theories, and the laws of chemistry. It includes an integrated laboratory program.

3 Credit Hours

CH151/CH152 Advanced General Chemistry

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Selection by the department.

This course is an advanced introduction to physical, organic, inorganic, and analytical chemistry. Fundamental concepts, principles, theories, and laws of chemistry are stressed. The integrated laboratory program emphasizes both classical and modern investigative techniques.

3 Credit Hours

Elective Courses

CH357 Microbiology

First Term—Prerequisite: CH385.

This course is an introduction to general microbiology with coverage of a broad range of information with emphasis on microorganisms in the disease process and application of microorganisms in ecology, sewage disposal, food production, and molecular biology.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH362 Mass and Energy Balances

First Term—Prerequisites: CH102 or CH152.

This course introduces the traditional chemical engineering topics of mass and energy balances in nonreactive and reactive systems and single phase and multiphase systems.

3 Credit Hours

CH363 Separation Processes

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH362.

This course covers methods for the physical separation of chemicals. Topics include dew point and bubble point calculations, adiabatic flash, distillation, chromatography, liquid-liquid and gas-liquid absorption. Cadets are taught the significance of staging of unit operations.

3 Credit Hours

CH364 Chemical Reaction Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH362.

This course studies the effects of chemical kinetics on systems of engineering significance. It introduces selection and operation of commercial chemical reactors, emphasizing chemical kinetics and transport phenomena.

3 Credit Hours

CH371 Introduction to Analytical Chemistry

Both Terms—Prerequisite: CH102 or CH152.

The course teaches the fundamental concepts of analytical chemistry. Topics include acid-base equilibria, redox potentials, compleximetric titrimetry, separations, electrochemistry, and absorption spectroscopy. The course provides an overview of modern analytical techniques being used in various fields.

3.5 Credit Hours





CH375 Introduction to Biology

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH101 or CH151.

This course consists of an examination of the unity and diversity of life. It investigates why there are so many different life forms and proceeds through Mendelian Genetics, the discovery of cells and chromosomes, DNA replication, and genetic expression. These topics then serve as a foundation knowledge supporting the study of population genetics, biodiversity, bioenergetics, animal and plant physiology, population ecology, and ecosystem ecology.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH383 Organic Chemistry I

First Term—Prerequisite: CH102 or CH152.

This course is an introduction to the relationship between chemical structure and the physical and chemical properties of organic molecules. The concept of mechanism of reaction is explored and a laboratory program is included.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH384 Organic Chemistry II

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH383.

This course builds on CH383 and explores the reactions of major functional groups. The laboratory capstone synthesis introduces the use of scientific literature and provides an opportunity for individual, guided investigation.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH385 Introduction to Cell Biology

Both Terms—Prerequisite: CH102 or CH152.

The course will cover the structure and function of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells. Emphasis will be placed on research methods and techniques that have led to our understanding of how the cell works.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH387 Human Physiology

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH385.

This course develops the fundamental principles of human structure and functions, including elements of cell morphology and functions, human anatomy, and physiology. Laboratory exercises are included.

3 Credit Hours

CH388 Genetics

First Term—Prerequisite: CH102 or CH152.

Genetics is the science of heredity. It is concerned with the physical and chemical properties of an organism's genome, how the genome is transmitted from one generation to the next, and how genes are expressed in the development and function of an organism.

3 Credit Hours

CH402 Chemical Engineering Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH459.

This course provides a capstone experience that brings together material from previous courses to examine problems in chemical engineering process design. It provides instruction in the conceptual design of process networks to achieve a design goal as well as the optimization of the network.

3 Credit Hours

CH459 Chemical Engineering Laboratory

First Term—Prerequisites: CH364, CH362, and CH363.

This course provides laboratory experience in selected chemical engineering unit operations, such as gas absorption, evaporation, distillation, liquid-liquid extraction, cooling tower operation, chemical reactors, heat transfer, and mass transfer/diffusion studies.

3 Credit Hours

CH471 Applications of Polymer Chemistry

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH102 or CH152.

This course is a study of modern polymer chemistry that provides an introduction to macromolecules, their synthesis and properties. It covers polymerization methods, the morphology and characterization of polymers.

3.5 Credit Hours



CH472 Inorganic Chemistry

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH480 or CH481.

This course features an in-depth study of the elements focusing on main-group elements and transition metals. An introduction to coordination chemistry and organometallic compounds is included.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH473 Biochemistry

Second Term—Prerequisites: CH383 and CH385.

This course develops an appreciation of the chemical processes that occur within living organisms. The coverage includes the structure, functions and regulation of biomolecules and bioenergetics.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH474 Instrumental Methods of Analysis

First Term—Prerequisite: CH3.
Corequisite: CH384.

This is primarily a laboratory course designed to develop proficiency in the selection and use of modern instrumental methods to solve real chemical problems. Methods introduced are various spectroscopic techniques, gas chromatography and electrochemical techniques.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH479 Methods and Applications of Biotechnology

Second Term—Prerequisites: CH357, CH478 and CH480.

This course is intended to reinforce topics learned in other life science courses by studying laboratory and practical applications of biotechnology. Laboratories will concentrate on biotechnology methods including purification, separation, and identification of DNA, RNA, and protein. Classroom lessons will include discussions of assigned readings on the modern applications of biotechnology.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH480 Physical Chemistry for the Life Sciences

First Term—Prerequisites: CH371 and CH384.

This is a one-semester course that covers topics with a special focus and relevance to life science majors. The major areas of study are chemical thermodynamics, chemical kinetics, and quantum chemistry of atoms and molecules.

3.5 Credit Hours



“Timid men prefer the calm
of despotism to the
boisterous sea of liberty.”

Thomas Jefferson



CH481 Physical Chemistry I

**First Term—
Prerequisite:** CH371.
Corequisite: CH383.

This course provides an in-depth study of the three major areas of physical chemistry: thermodynamics, equilibrium, and kinetics. The kinetic theory of gases, ion transport, and molecular reaction dynamics are a few of the specific topics covered. A laboratory program is included to illustrate the fundamental topics covered through precision measurements, utilizing modern instrumental methods.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH482 Physical Chemistry II

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH481 or CH480.

This course builds on the concepts covered in CH481, investigating such topics as quantum chemistry, statistical thermodynamics, and changes of state. The behavior of atoms and molecules in chemical reactions is studied in depth. A laboratory program is included to illustrate the fundamental topics through the use of modern instrumental methods.

3.5 Credit Hours

CH487 Introduction to Spectroscopy

Second Term—Prerequisite: CH474.

This course provides further development of the necessary theoretical background and an introduction to the spectroscopic methods applied to the study of molecular structure and species identification. Topics include electronic and vibrational energy levels of polyatomic molecules, optical selection rules, absorption, fluorescence, and photodissociation.

3 Credit Hours

CH489/CH490 Individual Research

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Approval of head of the department.

This course consists of individual, supervised research in a selected problem area approved by the department. The cadet must outline his/her approach, determine equipment, and develop procedures. The submission of a research paper is required.

3.5 Credit Hours



The Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering provides a program of engineering study that emphasizes creative problem solving and hands-on engineering design in the fields of civil and mechanical engineering. These courses develop an understanding of the practical applications of science essential to officers in a modern and highly technical Army. The department offers a three-course engineering sequence in either civil or mechanical engineering. Cadets may choose one of those sequences to satisfy the core engineering requirement. For cadets who want to concentrate in the field of engineering, the department offers degrees in civil engineering and in mechanical engineering accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET.





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The Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering (C&ME) offers majors in Civil Engineering and Mechanical Engineering. These programs are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202-4012 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. Both emphasize engineering science fundamentals, creative problem solving and hands-on engineering design in order to develop cadets' understanding of the practical applications of science essential for officers in our modern, high-technology Army.

Core Sequences in Civil and Mechanical Engineering

The Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering offers two three-course core sequences, one in Civil Engineering and the other in Mechanical Engineering. Either sequence may be taken by the non-engineering cadet to fulfill the core requirement for engineering science and design. One fundamental engineering science course is common to both the Civil and the Mechanical sequences: CE300 Fundamentals of Engineering Mechanics and Design. This foundation course is followed by a two-course sequence in either civil or mechanical engineering: CE350 Design of Structures in the Theatre of Operations and CE450 Infrastructure Development and Construction Management for civil engineering and ME350 Introduction to Thermal Systems with Army Applications and ME450 ME Design of Army Systems for mechanical engineering.

The Civil Engineering Major

Civil engineers are engaged in the planning, analysis, design, construction, and maintenance of a wide variety of structures and facilities, including buildings, bridges, highways, railroads, airports, dams, canals, ports, water and wastewater treatment systems, and stormwater and sanitary sewer systems. Civil engineers work for private firms and public agencies, teach at universities, and conduct research in laboratories. Within the Army, civil engineering is considered so important that a separate branch, the Corps of Engineers, exists to provide the needed technical expertise. As leaders in the US Army, graduates who major in civil engineering:

1. Solve complex, multi-disciplinary problems effectively, to include:
 - Recognizing and fully defining the physical, technological, social, political, and economic aspects of a complex problem.
 - Using a methodical process to solve the problem.
 - Demonstrating creativity in the formulation of alternative solutions.

- Using appropriate techniques and tools to enhance the problem-solving process.
 - Working effectively on teams.
 - Developing high-quality solutions that consider the technological, social, political, economic, and ethical dimensions of the problem.
2. Provide appropriate civil engineering expertise to the US Army, when called upon to do so.
 3. Communicate effectively.
 4. Continue to grow intellectually and professionally—as Army officers and as engineers.

The Civil Engineering major includes mandatory courses in structural analysis and design, hydrology and hydraulic engineering, civil engineering site design, geotechnical engineering, construction management and civil engineering professional practice. The principal focus of the program is on structural engineering. The program culminates with a capstone design course, in which cadet teams develop comprehensive designs of building systems, including the functional layout, structure, foundation, and site of the facility. In addition, most cadets take on an independent-study project that features a real-world, client-based civil engineering project, involving research, community service, or competition between cadet teams. Through this experience, cadets apply and synthesize knowledge gained from earlier civil engineering course work. Design is emphasized throughout the program, as is the use of the computer as a tool for analysis.

The Civil Engineering program serves as excellent preparation for initial Army troop assignments in combat and construction engineering, as well as subsequent assignments in civil works and facilities engineering. The program also provides a sound basis for graduate schooling in civil engineering and related fields, and for registration as a professional engineer. Cadets who maintain good standing in the ABET-accredited civil engineering major will sit for the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) examination during the spring semester of the senior year. Passing the FE examination is the essential first step in becoming a registered professional engineer.

The Mechanical Engineering Major

Mechanical engineering is one of the broadest and most diverse of the engineering fields. It deals with devices and systems for energy conversion, for material transport and for control of motion and forces. A sampling of the topics addressed by the discipline include air, ground and sea vehicles; power plants; control systems; machinery; machine tools; conventional and nuclear-powered power production facilities; biomedical devices; space vehicles; pollution control; new energy sources;

energy conversion; transportation systems; and military weapons systems. Modern weapons systems are used as vehicles of instruction in many of the courses, making mechanical engineering particularly appropriate for those considering service in most branches of the Army as well as specialties such as aviation, research and development, project management, and logistics.

Six options are available within the major: aeronautical systems, automotive systems, biological systems, power and energy, engineering management, and mechatronics. A cadet selecting a particular option will focus program electives to gain greater depth of knowledge in the area of interest. All cadets, regardless of option, experience the same core mechanical engineering program.

The goal of the Mechanical Engineering program is to provide the cadet with high-quality instruction in a positive learning environment that fosters development of critical thinking skills and fundamental understanding of engineering science and design. The graduate is well-prepared to excel as an officer and an engineer and to address complex technical problems in a rapidly changing, high technology Army. The practice-oriented degree is strengthened by the complete integration of design and laboratory experience throughout the curriculum.

Graduates who major in mechanical engineering:

- Demonstrate the philosophical basis for the practice of engineering that applies creative design and engineering thought processes to solve problems.
- Continue to develop an understanding of and appreciation for natural laws and technology, particularly as they apply to mechanical engineering.
- Act responsibly, upholding strict ethical and moral standards and considering impacts of decisions on social, political, economic, and technological issues.
- Demonstrate necessary leadership and team work skills to work in multidisciplinary team environments.
- Demonstrate elements of engineering practice that prepare graduates for advanced study in engineering or other technical areas to include admission into and success at top engineering graduate programs.
- Communicate orally and in writing, using correct and precise terms, demonstrating clear, critical thinking.
- Commit to continuous self-improvement and lifelong learning with the flexibility to adapt to changing needs.



CE300 Fundamentals of Engineering Mechanics and Design

First Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or equivalent.
Corequisite: PH202 or equivalent.

The Engineering Design Process and the method of design are introduced. Principles of equilibrium are used to analyze forces on statically determinate rigid bodies and structures to include trusses and frames. The behavior of deformable bodies under axial, flexural, and combined loading is examined. The concepts of stress, strain, and material properties are introduced and are used to relate external forces applied to a body to the resulting internal forces and deformations so that performance can be evaluated. Practical applications involving the design and adequacy of mechanical and structural elements under various loading conditions are emphasized.

3 Credit Hours

CE302 Statics and Dynamics

Second Term—Prerequisites: PH203, MA205 or equivalents. **Corequisite:** PH204 or equivalent.

Statics and Dynamics examines the effect of forces acting on particles and rigid bodies. Vector mechanics is used extensively. The first part of the course, Statics, addresses the topics of equilibrium in two and three dimensions, to include distributed loads, trusses, frames, friction, and cables. The second part, Dynamics, begins with the study of kinematics, including translating and rotating reference frames and Coriolis acceleration. The final block of the course deals with two-dimensional kinetics methods of force-acceleration, work-energy, and impulse-momentum.

3 Credit Hours

CE350 Design of Structures in the Theatre of Operations

Second Term—Prerequisite: CE300 or equivalent.

Wind, snow, and gravity loads are introduced, and cadets analyze the load path through a structure. The material properties of wood, masonry, concrete, and soil are introduced. Cadets apply the fundamentals of allowable stress and deflection to design structural components using these materials. The course design project is a structural system in the Theatre of Operations. A field trip and laboratory exercises add realism and context to the design experience.

3 Credit Hours

CE364 Mechanics of Materials

First Term—Prerequisites: CE300, MA205.

This course studies the behavior of a variety of materials under normal, shear, torsional, bending, and combined loads. The concepts of stress, strain, creep, corrosion, fatigue, and material properties are explored. The course examines observed behavior in light of the relationships between the microscopic structure and macroscopic properties of materials used in engineering applications. The loading, geometry, functional environment, and material properties of machine or structural parts are used to relate the forces applied to a body to the resulting internal forces and deformations so that performance can be evaluated. Practical applications involving the design and adequacy of mechanical and structural elements under various loading and environmental conditions are emphasized.

3.5 Credit Hours

CE371 Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisite: CE300.

Soil Mechanics is the study of soil properties that govern the use of soil as a construction or foundation material. The course is devoted to describing soils, analyzing soil stresses, determining consolidation settlement, designing earth embankments, determining earth pressures, and designing foundations based upon applicable engineering principles and recognition of the fundamental concepts of soil behavior. During laboratory periods the student will examine soil properties and extract necessary parameters for design.

3.5 Credit Hours

CE380 Hydrology and Hydraulic Design

Second Term—Prerequisites: CE300 or CE302, MA206. **Corequisites:** ME311, ME362.

Hydrologic and hydraulic principles are applied in the analysis and design of water control structures. Specifically, the following concepts are studied: prediction of floods, movement of floods through natural and manmade channels, and open channel hydraulics with an emphasis on water surface profile calculations. These concepts are applied to the design of urban drainage structures, flood-control structures, reservoirs, spillways, and stable natural channels. Computer simulation models, widely used in engineering practice, are explained and applied to flood routing and hydraulic engineering problems.

3.5 Credit Hours

CE390 Civil Engineering Site Design

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course provides cadets the necessary background to select and develop sites for civil engineering structures and to review the work of others. Proper site selection and engineering have significant impact on the economics of a project and long-term utility of the constructed facility. Specifically, the course covers the skills of determining site layout and access, establishing site contour and drainage, installing utilities, elementary surveying, creating drawings using a computer-aided drafting package, and developing environmental impact statements. In the theater of operations, this background is critical to the success of missions related to construction of roads, runways, base camps, and other engineered military works.

3.5 Credit Hours



CE399 Civil Engineering Practices-Field Engineering

Summer AIAD—Prerequisite: CE302 and approval of the department head.

This course provides cadets with the opportunity to learn and practice the field aspects of civil engineering. Topics include plane surveying, introduction to construction materials, wood frame building construction, heavy equipment operations, concrete placement and finishing, roadway construction, steel fabrication, reinforced concrete construction, bridge construction, power production, and environmental systems. Cadets perform actual construction projects as part of course requirements. The course is conducted at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

3 Credit Hours

CE400 Civil Engineering Professional Practice

Second Term—Corequisite: CE492.

This seminar consists of 13 class attendances during the spring semester and includes all First Class cadets majoring in civil engineering. The course focuses on issues related to the professional practice of civil engineering, and is intended to augment and enrich the cadets' CE492 capstone design experience. Topics include professional roles and responsibilities, professional registration, continuing education, engineering ethics, procurement of work, competitive bidding, and construction management. Cadets are also introduced to the design and construction processes used by the US Army Corps of Engineers. The seminar will include presentations by guest lecturers on topics of current interest in the field of civil engineering. Guest lecturers will be primarily civil engineering practitioners, providing the cadets opportunities to interact with professionals in their major field of interest.

1 Credit Hour

CE403 Structural Analysis

Second Term—Prerequisite: CE300.

This course addresses the analysis and design of basic structural forms, such as beams, trusses, and frames, that are found in bridges and buildings. Classical deflection techniques, such as direct integration and virtual work, and indeterminate analysis techniques, such as the force method and displacement methods (slope deflection, direct stiffness and moment distribution), are

used to determine forces and deflections in elastic structures. Structural analysis computer programs are introduced and directly applied in the solution of graded analysis and design problems. Approximate analysis techniques are used to check the general accuracy of computer-based results.

3 Credit Hours

CE404 Design of Steel Structures

First Term—Prerequisite: CE403 (CE453).

This course teaches the engineering thought process through the design of steel structures. The course synthesizes the fundamentals of statics, mechanics of materials, and structural analysis and applies them to the design of structural members, with emphasis on satisfying real-world needs. Topics include an introduction to the design of structural systems, design of steel tension and compression members, design of beams and beam-columns, and an introduction to connection design. All design is performed in accordance with codes and specifications used in current engineering practice. A comprehensive design problem requires development of a design methodology, consideration of alternative solutions, and design of an optimal steel structure to meet stated functional requirements.

3 Credit Hours

CE450 Infrastructure Development and Construction Management

First Term—Prerequisite: CE350.

This course focuses on the implementation portion of the design process. The management of construction is covered to include scope of work, rough order-of-magnitude estimating, scheduling, planning, progress reporting, resource constraining, and quality control. The roles of the contractor, owner, and designer are explained. The culminating design experience for the three-course engineering sequence is a "Theatre of Operations" design, where cadets work in teams to layout, design, and plan the construction of a complete base camp.

3 Credit Hours

CE460 Construction Management

Second Term—Prerequisite: First Class CE major or instructor approval.

This course provides in-depth study of special studies in construction planning and management. The course covers lifecycle facility management to include planning, programming, designing, bidding, and construction. Cadets will learn how commercial construction projects are planned and executed. Major blocks in the course include project scope definition, project organization, procurement



of work, construction estimating (budget estimates and detailed estimate), scheduling (Critical Path Networks and computer scheduling tools), and management controls (progress reporting, payments, change order control, project closeout) during construction.

3 Credit Hours

CE471 Wood and Masonry Design

First Term—Prerequisite: CE403 or CE453.

This course teaches the engineering thought process through the design of wood and masonry structures. The course synthesizes the fundamentals of statics, mechanics of materials, and structural analysis and applies them to the design of structural members, with emphasis on satisfying real-world needs. Topics include an introduction to the design of structural systems; design of wood tension, compression, and beam members; design of masonry walls, and an introduction to concrete slab and foundation design. All design is performed in accordance with codes and specifications used in current engineering practice. A comprehensive design problem requires development of a design methodology, consideration of alternative solutions, and design of an optimal steel structure to meet stated functional requirements.

3 Credit Hours

CE472 Advanced Soil Mechanics/Foundation Engineering

First Term—Prerequisites: CE300 and CE371.

Students will extend what they learned in Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering and design advanced foundations in this course. Topics covered are: slope stability, field testing, field instrumentation, designing braced excavations, designing piles and drilled shafts, designing flexible walls, designing earth-retaining structures, and designing earth structures using geosynthetics.

3 Credit Hours

CE483 Design of Concrete Structures

First Term—Prerequisite: CE403.

The course introduces the materials and mechanical properties of concrete, and the design of reinforced concrete structures. Mix design and strength testing labs develop the concept of proportioning constituents for quality concrete and provide a background in techniques of material testing, quality control, and sound construction practices. The study of reinforced concrete includes analysis and design of simple structures, resulting in an appreciation for the strength and serviceability of these structures. Current codes and standards are used to guide the practical design of beams, slabs, columns, and footings. The course culminates with a comprehensive design of a multistory structure requiring the cadets to design representative members to meet all code requirements.

3.5 Credit Hours

CE489 Advanced Individual Study in Civil Engineering

Either Term—Prerequisites: First Class standing and permission of the department head.

The cadet, on an individual or small-group basis, pursues advanced study of a research or design topic in civil engineering. The scope of the course is tailored to the needs of the project and desires of the cadet, in consultation with the faculty advisor. The cadet is required to define and analyze the problem, study the fundamentals involved, organize an approach, determine a procedure, perform research and/or achieve a solution, submit a written report, and give a formal briefing.

3 Credit Hours

CE490 Special Topics in Civil Engineering

Either Term—Prerequisite: Permission of the department head.

This course provides in-depth study of a special topic in engineering mechanics or in structural, geotechnical, environmental, water resources, construction, or transportation engineering not offered elsewhere in the West Point curriculum. The course is intended to broaden the cadet's exposure to the civil engineering discipline. Course content will be based on the special expertise of the visiting professor or a senior civil engineering faculty member.

3 Credit Hours





CE491 Advanced Structural Analysis

First Term—Prerequisite: CE403 or equivalent.

This course builds upon the material covered in CE403/453 to develop a better understanding of structural behavior. Matrix analysis methods, including an introduction to finite elements, are developed as the basis for modern, computer-based structural analysis. These and other advanced analytical techniques are used to analyze and design trusses, beams, and frames. Coursework involves extensive use of the computer as an analytical tool. Cadets are introduced to state-of-the-art structural engineering analysis and design software.

3 Credit Hours

CE492 Design of Structural Systems

Second Term—Prerequisites: CE404 (CE454), CE483, and approval of the department head. **Corequisites:** CE371, CE380.

This course provides an opportunity for cadets to apply and synthesize their knowledge of structural steel design, reinforced concrete design, structural analysis, geotechnical engineering, hydrology, hydraulic engineering, construction management, and engineering economics in an open-ended, realistic, semester-long, capstone design experience. Working in teams, cadets develop functional requirements for a proposed building structure, then perform the architectural, structural, foundation, and site designs for this facility. Execution of the design requires extensive use of computer-based analysis and design tools. The products of this effort include a comprehensive design report, a physical model of the facility, and a briefing to the client. The integrated design experience is augmented by formal classroom instruction in structural systems design and advanced topics in structural design. Normally, these topics will include composite construction, simple connections, and rigid connections; however, other special topics may be substituted for these, to address the specific requirements of the course design project. This course constitutes the integrative experience for cadets majoring in Civil Engineering and Civil Engineering Studies.

3 Credit Hours

ME306 Dynamics

Either Term—Prerequisites: PH201/PH202 or equivalent.

Dynamics examines the motion of particles, systems of particles, and rigid bodies under the influence of forces. It focuses on the use of Newton's Second Law in three major, progressive blocks of instruction – from scalar, then vector, treatments of rectilinear and curvilinear motion of single particles; through vector motion of systems of particles; to general three-dimensional motion of rigid bodies. The course also provides brief introductions to energy methods: work-energy and impulse-momentum.

3 Credit Hours

ME311 Thermal-Fluid Systems I

Either Term—Prerequisites: MA205 or equivalent, PH202 or equivalent, CH101 or equivalent.

Thermal-Fluid Systems I is an integrated study of fundamental topics in thermodynamics and fluid mechanics. The course introduces conservation principles for mass, energy, and linear momentum as well as the 2nd Law of Thermodynamics. Principles are applied to incompressible flow in pipes and turbomachinery, external flows, power-generation systems, refrigeration cycles, and total air-conditioning focusing on the control volume approach. Laboratory exercises are integrated into classroom work. This course includes completion of a comprehensive, out-of-class design problem, which provides the opportunity for students to apply engineering science and the engineering design process to a hands-on project.

3.5 Credit Hours

ME312 Thermal-Fluid Systems II

Second Term—Prerequisite: ME311.

Thermal-Fluid Systems II continues the integrated study of fundamental topics in thermodynamics and fluid mechanics. The course applies conservation principles for mass, energy, and linear momentum as well as the 2nd Law of Thermodynamics. Principles are applied to an automotive system to examine engine performance (Otto and Diesel Cycles) and to high-performance aircraft to examine the Brayton Cycle, compressible flow, external flow, lift, and drag. Laboratory exercises are integrated into classroom work. This course includes completion of a comprehensive, out-of-class design problem. This design problem provides the opportunity for students to apply engineering science to the design of a comprehensive thermal-fluid system.

3.5 Credit Hours

ME350 Introduction to Thermal Systems with Army Applications

Either Term—Prerequisites: CH102 or CH152, CE300.

This course is presented within the framework of a common model for the engineering design process. This model serves as a conceptual framework for study in the engineering thermal sciences. This course concerns the study of mediums and energy; the basic conservation laws are developed. The student will gain a basic engineering knowledge of thermal science applications in the Army. Emphasis is placed on practical applications of internal combustion and gas turbine engines and fluid flow. Laboratory exercises are integrated into classroom work.

3 Credit Hours

ME370 Computer-Aided Design

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or equivalent.

This course explores the use of computer methods as an aid to solving engineering problems. Computer techniques are studied in a variety of engineering contexts. Topics include 3-D solid modeling, engineering analysis, engineering computer programming, and graphical presentation of information. Cadets learn to apply a variety of engineering-related programs or routines. Cadets write, document, and use programs of their own in design scenarios. Considerable emphasis is placed on use of the computer as a tool in the engineering design process.

3 Credit Hours

ME380 Engineering Materials

Either Term—Prerequisites: CH102 or CH152, PH203 or equivalent, and CE364.

This course explores the relationship between the microscopic structure and macroscopic properties of materials used in engineering applications. The origin of mechanical, electrical, and thermal properties is studied. Emphasized is an understanding of the fundamental aspects of atomic and microstructural concepts for proper materials selection and enhancement of engineering properties. Materials under study are composites, nano-sized/structured materials, biomaterials, smart materials, and semi- and super-conductors. Laboratory exercises are incorporated throughout the course to provide practical experience in making decisions concerning material composition and processing in order to optimize engineering properties. Experiences from the field are detailed to demonstrate application of concepts.

3.5 Credit Hours

ME387 Introduction to Applied Aerodynamics

Second Term—Prerequisites: ME306, ME311. **Corequisite:** ME312.

The fundamental laws of fluid mechanics are used to develop the characteristic forces and moments generated by the flow about aerodynamic bodies. Lift, drag, and aerodynamic moments are studied for airfoils (2-D) and finite wings (3-D) in the subsonic and supersonic flow regimes. Aircraft performance and design parameters are developed in both the classroom and laboratory sessions. The laboratory sessions include low-speed wind tunnel testing and actual flight in the Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering's fixed-wing aircraft located at Stewart International Airport.

3 Credit Hours

ME388 Helicopter Aeronautics

Second Term—Prerequisites: CE300, ME311, ME370.

The aerodynamics of helicopter flight is analyzed for hover, translating, and partial power flight. Theory and experimental results are used to predict aircraft performance. The course analyzes the dynamic response of the rotor system and the performance aspects of the vehicle as a whole. This is followed by a design workshop, during which cadet groups complete the initial sizing of a helicopter to meet specific mission requirements. The course includes one flight lab in a UH-1 helicopter, a laboratory examining rotor power and thrust utilizing a whirl stand apparatus, and one field trip to a commercial helicopter company.

3 Credit Hours

ME400 Mechanical Engineering Seminar

Second Term—Prerequisites: ME major, First Class year.

This seminar will meet once each week and will include all First Class cadets majoring in mechanical engineering. Topics will address the concerns of professional mechanical engineers, such as engineering ethics, continuing education, engineering economy, social and safety considerations, and professional registration. Project-management techniques will be introduced in this seminar, and guest lecturers will present topics of current interest in the field of mechanical engineering. Guest lecturers will be primarily mechanical engineering practitioners, providing cadets an opportunity to interact with professionals in their major field of interest.

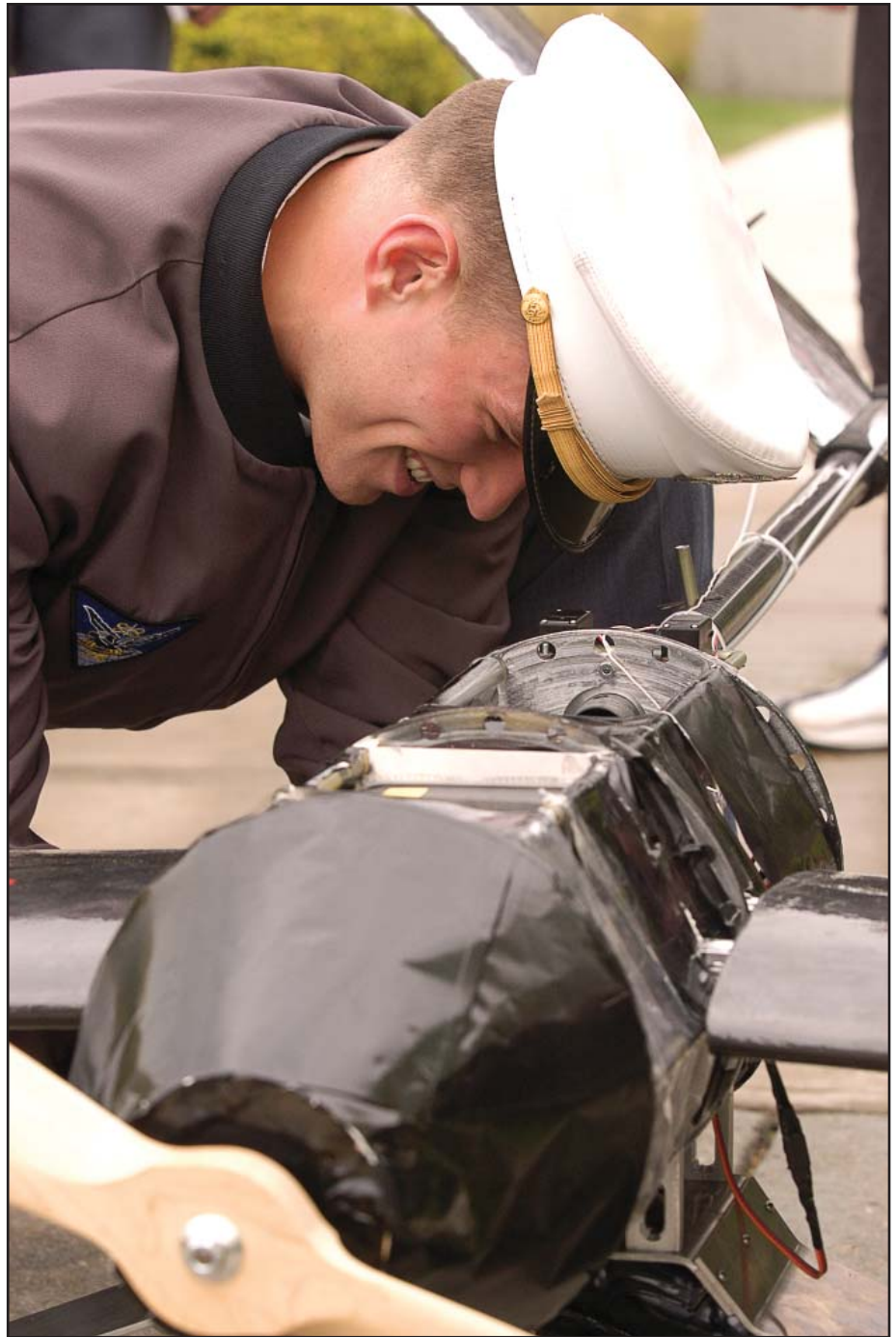
1 Credit Hour

ME403 Manufacturing and Machine Component Design

Second Term—Prerequisites: CE300, CE364.

This course is an introduction to mechanical manufacturing machines and machine component design. The first portion of the class is devoted to safe, hands-on experience with manufacturing machines and equipment. Cadets will have the opportunity to work on civil and mechanical manufacturing machines that are common in machine, woodworking, and sheet metal shops, such as a mill, lathe, grinder, belt sander, drill press, and band saw. The course progresses to fundamental engineering science applied to machine components. Topics include load, stress, and strain analyses; impact, fatigue, and surface damage. The course progresses to the study of machine component design, including mechanical components such as fasteners, springs, bearings, gears, and shafts. Welding techniques and equipment are introduced. The course culminates in a team-oriented process, design, and manufacture of a mechanical engineering product, using the techniques, tools, machines, and equipment that were developed and taught throughout the course.

3 Credit Hours



ME404 Mechanical Engineering Design

First Term—Prerequisite: ME403.

This course introduces mechanical engineering design as an iterative decision-making process. It also introduces engineering economics and ethics. One engineering design problem reinforces the design process instruction and culminates in a student competition. Cadets begin an integrative capstone design experience that applies the Mechanical Engineering Design Process to a real-world engineering problem addressing social, political, economic, and technical issues. Students begin capstone assignments early in the course and continue their projects with ME496.

3 Credit Hours

ME450 ME Design of Army Systems

Either Term—Prerequisites: CE300, ME350.

This course presents mechanical engineering design as an iterative decision-making process. A wide variety of mathematics, science, and engineering fundamentals are applied to the synthesis, analysis, and evaluation of mechanical components. The culminating design project provides an opportunity to experience design and to consider reliability, economics, and the judicious use of resources. A semester-long design-and-build project reinforces the design process instruction and culminates in a cadet competition.

3 Credit Hours



ME472 Energy Conversion Systems

Second term—Prerequisites: EE301, ME312.

An overview and historical evolution of both classical and state-of-the-art energy conversion technology. Advanced analysis of energy conversion hardware, air conditioning and refrigeration as well as fossil fuel combustion processes using concepts of exergy. Major methods of direct energy conversion are covered, including thermoelectricity, photovoltaics, thermionics, magnetohydrodynamics, and fuel cells. The current state of national and world energy is presented, and alternatives, including renewable energy and a hydrogen economy, are explored with reference to economical, political, environmental, and technological factors.

3 Credit Hours

ME480 Heat Transfer

Either Term—Prerequisites: ME312, MA364.

The three modes of heat transfer (conduction, convection, and radiation) are studied in detail, and applications are made to various engineering systems. The principles of conduction and convection are used to study the mechanisms of heat transfer during boiling and condensation and the design and operation of heat exchangers.

3.5 Credit Hours

ME481 Aircraft Performance and Static Stability

First Term—Prerequisites: ME311, ME387

The course applies the principles developed in Applied Aerodynamics to develop the equations of motion for a rigid aircraft in steady state level flight and maneuvering flight, and during takeoff and landing. The equations are analyzed to determine such performance characteristics as maximum range, endurance, turning rate, climb rate, etc. Piston-prop, turboprop, and jet aircraft are considered. The equations of motion are then analyzed to develop static stability criteria and investigate steady state control characteristics. Two flight laboratories in the department's fixed-wing airplanes provide the opportunity to obtain performance data and analyze the steady state stability and control of an actual aircraft.

3 Credit Hours

ME486 Vibration Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisites: ME306, MA364.

Corequisite: CE364.

In this course cadets develop a foundation in the analysis and design of free and forced single- and multi-degree of freedom systems. Applications include modeling, damping, resonance, force transmissibility, vibration absorbers, matrix formulation, and modal analysis. Emphasis is placed on vibrations examples from several engineering

fields. Out-of-class design problems provide cadets with the opportunity to apply principles taught in the classroom to realistic problems encountered by practicing engineers. In-class demonstrations supplement theory development.

3 Credit Hours

ME488 Flight Dynamics and Automatic Flight Control

Prerequisites: ME486, ME481.

The perturbed state equations of motion for an aircraft are developed, and the aerodynamic forces and moments determined. Dynamic stability and response characteristics are investigated, and aircraft design requirements considered. The fundamentals of feedback control system analysis and design are introduced, and examples of stability augmentation and automatic flight control systems are presented. One flight laboratory is performed in the Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering's aircraft based at Stewart International Airport.

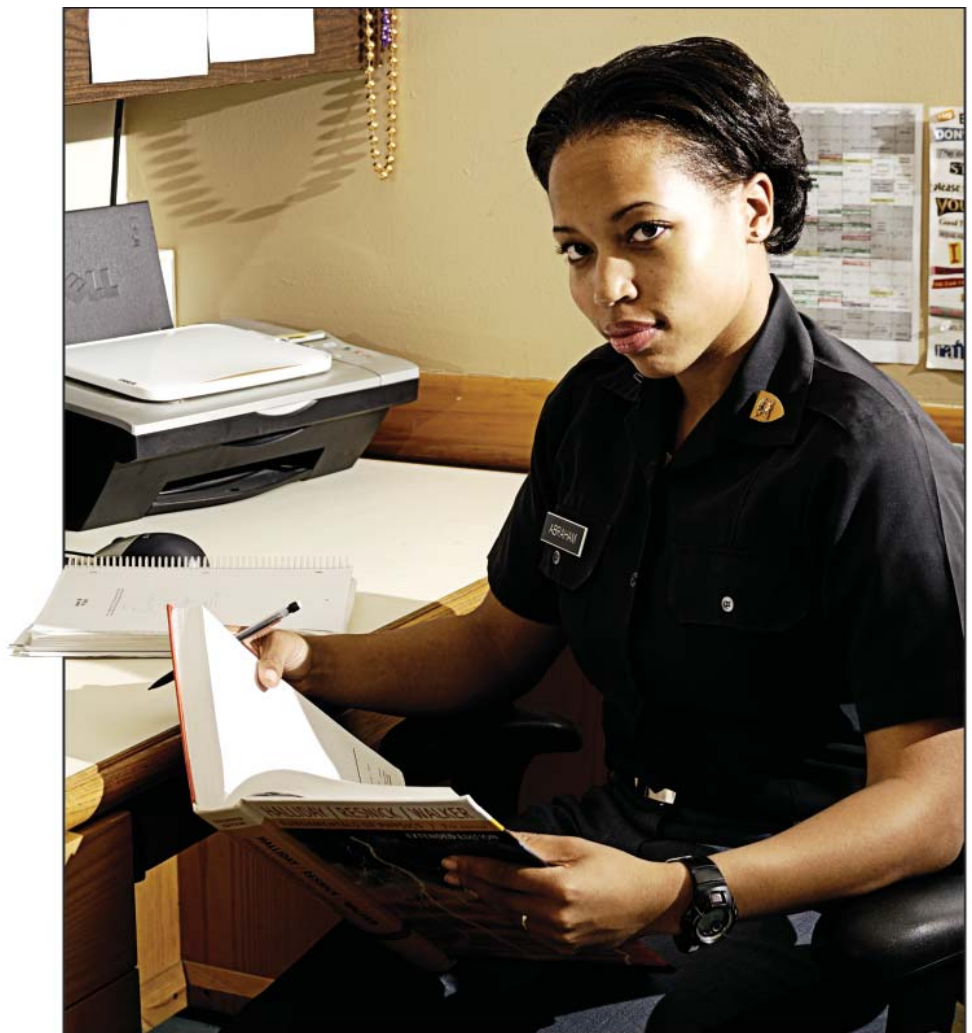
3 Credit Hours

ME489 Advanced Study in Mechanical Engineering

Either Term—Prerequisite: Approval of the Mechanical Engineering Program director.

The cadet, on an individual or small group basis, pursues advanced study of a research topic in mechanical, automotive, or materials engineering. The scope of the course is tailored to the desires of the cadet in consultation with a faculty advisor. The cadet is required to define and analyze his problem, study the fundamentals involved, organize his approach, determine his procedure, achieve a solution, and submit a written report. Alternatively, the cadet can receive credit for this course as additional credit in pursuit of the Capstone Design Experience.

3 Credit Hours





**“Some books are to be tasted,
others to be swallowed, and some
few to be chewed and digested.”**

Francis Bacon

ME490 Special Topics in Mechanical Engineering

Either Term—Prerequisite: *Permission of the department head.*

This course provides in-depth study of a special topic in engineering mechanics or mechanical engineering not offered elsewhere in the West Point curriculum. Course content will be based on the special expertise of the visiting professor or a senior mechanical engineering faculty member.

3 Credit Hours

ME491 Mechanical Power Plants

Second Term—Prerequisites: *ME306, ME311.
Corequisite: ME312.*

Cadets engage in the analysis, testing, and evaluation of internal combustion engines and their subsystems, with a view toward understanding the underlying principles that affect their design. Spark-ignition and compression-ignition engine systems are studied in detail, with laboratory opportunities to relate theory to practice. A series of component design problems is interspersed throughout the course.

3 Credit Hours

ME492 Mechanical Power Trains

First Term—Prerequisite: *ME491.*

This course is a follow-on to ME491, with emphasis on analysis, testing, and evaluation of automotive (ground vehicle) powertrains and dynamic systems, to understand the underlying principles affecting vehicle design. Clutches, transmissions (manual and automatic), differentials, wheels and tires, as well as braking, steering, and suspension systems are studied in detail, including their effect on vehicular or other system performance. High-speed, tracked vehicle application of the above systems is also covered. Theory is verified with hands-on experience in the laboratory. Component-design problems are interspersed throughout the course.

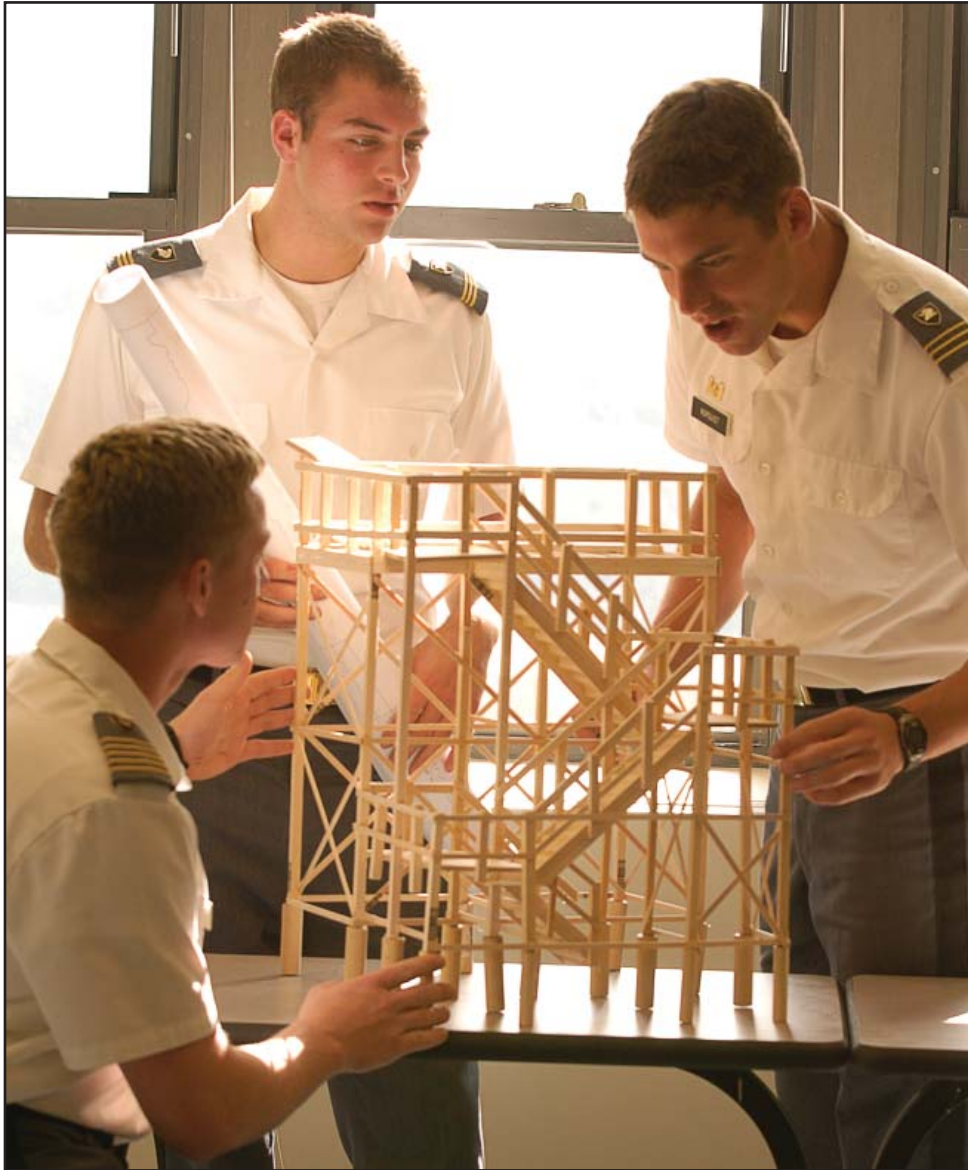
3 Credit Hours

ME496 Mechanical System Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: *ME404.*

This course provides experience in the integration of math, science, and engineering principles into a comprehensive vehicular system design project. Open-ended, client-based design problems emphasize a multidisciplinary approach to total system design, providing multiple paths to a number of feasible and acceptable solutions that meet the stated performance requirements. Design teams are required to develop product specifications, generate alternatives, make practical engineering approximations, perform appropriate analyses to support the technical feasibility of the design, and make decisions leading to an optimal system design. System integration, human factors engineering, computer-aided design, maintainability, and fabrication techniques are addressed. This course provides an integrative experience in support of the overarching academic program goal and is often interdisciplinary in nature.

3.5 Credit Hours



XE495 Topics: Advanced Technology

***Either Term—Prerequisite:
Approval of the Mechanical Engineering
Program director.***

This course is taught by the Class of 1950 Chair of Advanced Technology, a visiting scholar with a distinguished record of academic and professional achievement in the field of engineering, science, and technology. The Advanced Technology Seminar focuses on topical issues that reflect the chair's area of expertise. The course uses case studies of current and past technological innovations and their impacts on the both the Army and society. This course examines how technology decisions are made in the Department of Defense through a series of case studies and guest lectures. Current topics, such as the Stryker decision; armor for HMMWVs; the development of the tactical Internet, including its testing and training requirements; Future Combat Systems (FCS); Rapid Fielding Initiatives (RFI); and historical decisions, such as the cancellation of the Comanche, will be studied and debated. Cadets will prepare a decision brief on a future system to real decision-makers and take a field trip to a defense contractor to see the other side of the process. Cadets will apply math, science, and engineering fundamentals they have learned to these studies and learn how to develop objective decisions for military and political decision-makers.

3 Credit Hours

XE472 Dynamic Modeling & Control

Either Term—Prerequisite: EE301 or EE302.

This course covers dynamic modeling and control of linear systems. The course provides an overview of classical control theory as the foundation for control applications in electrical, mechanical, and aeronautical systems. Topics here include system modeling using Laplace transforms, frequency domain, and state variable methods. Mathematical models are developed for electrical, mechanical, thermal, hydraulic, aeronautical, and other physical control systems. Control systems analysis and design techniques are studied within the context of how each system is physically controlled in practice. Laboratory exercises include feedback design and system identification. Computer design exercises include dynamic modeling and control of various engineering systems.

3 Credit Hours

XE475 Mechatronics

Second Term—Prerequisites: EE360, XE472.

XE475 is a comprehensive introductory course in the field of mechatronics, which is the crossroads in engineering where mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, computer science, and controls engineering meet to create new and exciting real-world systems. Knowledge of mechanical and electrical components, controls theory, and design are integrated to solve actual physical design applications.

3.5 Credit Hours



Virtually all systems, technologies, and devices of the future will depend on the hardware, software, and information technology principles our department teaches today. We cover the spectrum of the electrical engineering, computer science, and information technology disciplines. These include computer hardware, software, and network system design and integration; photonics and lasers; telecommunications; information assurance; robotics; computing theory; algorithms; software design and construction; and all their impacts on people, organizations, and societies. Our programs develop intellectual ability, creativity, and skills for professional practice. The faculty and staff are dedicated to the professional growth of cadets and each other. The department's Information Technology and Operations





Center, Photonics Research Center, and Network Science Center provide unique opportunities for faculty and cadets to investigate the latest concepts and solve problems on the forefront of knowledge and of modern battlefield technology. The quality of our scholarship and service is recognized by our peers, both nationally and internationally. Our programs and all our actions reflect core values consistent with the ethics of the military and the engineering and scientific professions. Each program has its own emphasis, but all are designed to prepare graduates for their roles as Army officers and national leaders.

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science offers traditional majors in Electrical Engineering, Computer Science, and Information Technology. In addition, the department offers the Electronic and Information Technology Systems major, with selectable emphases in areas such as remote sensing, robotics, digital networks, information technology, and information assurance. The Electrical Engineering major is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. The Computer Science major is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) of ABET. The programs emphasize the application of creative problem-solving processes, coupled with knowledge of the underlying enabling sciences and technologies, to design, build, and test solutions that serve humanity and our nation's defense. The programs prepare graduates to respond to the challenges of a modern military that is increasingly dependent upon the dynamic technologies of electrical engineering, computer science, and information technology.

The department also offers three-course engineering sequences in electrical engineering and in computer science. These sequences fulfill the core engineering requirement for cadets of any major at the United States Military Academy. All West Point cadets also take IT105 Introduction to Computing and Information Technology, which introduces cadets to information technology and to problem-solving based on the computing sciences. All USMA cadets not enrolled in an ABET major program take IT305 Theory and Practice of Military Information Technology Systems, normally during the junior year.

Electrical Engineering Program

Electrical engineers play a critical role in the development of advanced technologies for the Army and society of the 21st century. They serve as design engineers, program managers, and industry leaders in the military, government, and commercial sectors. Electrical engineers engage in the planning, analysis, design, construction, and maintenance of the electronic and electrical systems that energize, connect, and control society and the military. They apply the principles of electrical system design to build computer, communication, robotic, optical, power, control, and other electronic systems to serve the needs of humanity.

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science offers a core engineering sequence and a major in electrical engineering. The electrical engineering major is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700.

Graduates of the Electrical Engineering program:

- Demonstrate the skills and confidence to grow intellectually and professionally in electrical engineering through self-study, continuing education, and other means, including being prepared to pursue any area of the discipline in-depth as desired or required by the Army.
- Apply disciplinary knowledge and skills to identify and formulate solutions to problems relevant to the Army that can be solved

through the application of electrical engineering theory, tools, and techniques.

- Apply an engineering methodology and creativity to problem-solving in the Army, communicate concepts effectively, and integrate information and computer technologies as multipliers for human intellectual ability and the application of military force when appropriate.
- Demonstrate the ability to work as a member of a diverse team and effectively manage team projects, technology, and technologists, particularly in a military environment.
- Effectively employ electrical and electronic systems in the Army, and lead the exploration of new applications, techniques, and doctrine for their use.

Upon graduation, cadets who major in Electrical Engineering can:

- Apply knowledge of mathematics, probability, statistics, physical science, engineering, and computer science to the solution of problems.
- Identify, formulate, and solve electrical engineering problems.
- Apply techniques, simulations, information and computing technology, and disciplinary knowledge in solving engineering problems.
- Design and conduct experiments to collect, analyze, and interpret data with modern engineering tools and techniques.
- Communicate solutions clearly, both orally and in writing.
- Work effectively in diverse teams.
- Apply professional and ethical considerations to engineering problems.
- Incorporate understanding and knowledge of societal, global and other contemporary issues in the development of engineering solutions that meet realistic constraints.
- Demonstrate the ability to learn on their own.

Electrical Engineering Core Sequence

The three-course core engineering sequence in electrical engineering is available to all non-engineering majors. The primary goal is to provide a meaningful design experience in electrical engineering focused on robotics to all cadets who select it. The sequence begins with courses in digital computer logic and electrical circuits and concludes with a course surveying military electronic systems,

including the design of such a system. The sequence includes EE300 Fundamentals of Digital Logic, EE350 Basic Electrical Engineering, and EE450 Military Electronic Systems.

Electrical Engineering Major

The Electrical Engineering major requires completion of 26 core courses and 18 additional courses in electrical engineering, mathematics, and other engineering disciplines. Cadets who pursue the Electrical Engineering major choose depth in one of six areas: robotics, wireless communications, fiber optic communications, computer architecture, electronics, and information assurance. For breadth, all options include courses in circuit theory, analog and digital electronics, linear systems theory, electromagnetics, introductory computer architecture, power engineering, and engineering courses outside the fields of electrical engineering and computer science. The Electrical Engineering program concludes with a two-semester senior design project (EE401 and EE402), during which cadets work in teams to design, build, and test an electrical system by drawing from the four-year curriculum and applying theoretical concepts to solve a real problem. Final design projects have included autonomous aircraft and land vehicles, optical communication systems, robotic systems, automated crane and train control systems, laser alignment systems for large mechanical components, and optical character and pattern recognition systems.

Teamwork, hands-on laboratory and computer exercises, and interdisciplinary design projects are hallmarks of the Electrical Engineering program. The courses are current and relevant, and West Point's laboratory facilities are among the best in the world. Our faculty is unique among Electrical Engineering faculty, in that they are leaders of Soldiers, experts in the discipline, and world-class teachers. Our cadets routinely attend national undergraduate conferences and compete in and win engineering design competitions.

The Electrical Engineering major serves as excellent preparation for initial Army troop assignments, as well as subsequent engineering and leadership positions. The program provides a sound basis for graduate schooling and for registration as a professional engineer. Prior to graduation, electrical engineering majors take the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination as the first step toward registration as a professional engineer.

Electrical Engineering Honors Major

The Electrical Engineering Honors major offers cadets the opportunity for additional depth of study in Electrical Engineering. It is expected that cadets graduating from the Electrical Engineering Honors Major will be among the highest-achieving majors in Electrical Engineering, will be recognized as participating in the Honors Program of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, and will have "Electrical

Engineering Honors Major" annotated on their official USMA transcript.

In order to qualify for the Electrical Engineering Honors major, cadets will be required to participate in either an undergraduate research experience or report on their engineering design experience. Both of these include writing a research or engineering paper suitable for submission to a conference or engineering design competition. Research-focused programs will typically include enrollment in EE489 Advanced Individual Study in Electrical Engineering, while the engineering design experience can result from participation in EE401 and EE402 Engineering System Design I and II series.

For those cadets who enroll in an EE489 to satisfy this requirement, the course grade will be based on a research paper suitable for submission to a conference. For those cadets who use the EE401-EE402 Engineering Design series instead, the requirement for the engineering paper will be completed within the EE401-EE402 coursework.

Cadets must satisfy minimum exit requirements, including a 3.0 grade point average in the core curriculum and a 3.5 grade point average in the major to receive an honors program designation.

Computer Science Program

Computers and computer technology play a dominant role in shaping the world and the Army of the 21st century. Computer scientists analyze, plan, design, and build computer systems and components. They become systems analysts, software engineers, information systems managers, computer systems consultants, and educators. Computer scientists are employed in every aspect of commercial, military, and government practice. As the Army and society at large become more dependent upon computer systems and technology, the role of computer scientists in protecting key information infrastructures becomes more critical every day. The Computer Science program gives cadets an opportunity to acquire an in-depth understanding of computer systems and the principles underlying their design and implementation.

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science offers a core engineering sequence and a major in computer science. The Computer Science major is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700.

Computer Science Core Engineering Sequence

The core engineering sequence in computer science provides a focused foundation in software and information systems engineering and is open to all cadets. This three-course sequence consists of CS300 Computer Science Fundamentals, CS350 Database Design and Implementation, and IS450 Principles of Distributed Application Engineering.

The sequence culminates in an integrated, end-to-end team system design and implementation experience to build an effective and adaptable distributed application.

Computer Science Major

The computer science major provides cadets a thorough foundation in computer science and prepares them for graduate study. It is accredited by the Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) of the ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. This major requires 26 core courses (the core requirement for IT305 is waived). Foundation courses in computer science are augmented with courses that cover software design, concepts of programming languages, computer organization and architecture, computational theory, and societal impacts. In their senior year, computer science majors work in teams on projects such as developing autonomous unmanned ground vehicles, building software to enhance the security of information systems, and supporting Army system development initiatives. Computer science majors also choose three electives from topics such as artificial intelligence, computer graphics, and information assurance. At least one of the choices must be from a group of electives that cover topics in computer networking.

Graduates of the computer science program:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the breadth of the computing science discipline, some areas in depth.
- Analyze, design, build, test, and evaluate solutions to problems in computing.
- Apply disciplinary knowledge and skills in using a disciplined engineering process to develop solutions to applied problems individually and in diverse teams.
- Learn, comprehend, and evaluate new technologies in the context of a lifetime of intellectual and professional growth.
- Use knowledge and draw on experiences in computing sciences to support current and emerging Army Warfighting doctrine.
- Explain technology in the context of warfighting to warfighters who are not technologists.
- Demonstrate the background for professional practice, graduate study, and service to the Army within the context of the computer science discipline.

Expected outcomes for graduating cadets in the Computer Science major program are to:

- Apply mathematical foundations, algorithmic principles, and computer science theory in the modeling and design of computer-based systems in a way that demonstrates comprehension of the tradeoffs involved in the design choices.



- Analyze a problem, and identify and define the computing requirements appropriate to its solution.
- Apply design and development principles in the construction of software systems of varying complexity.
- Function effectively on teams to accomplish a common goal.
- Use current techniques, skills, and tools necessary for computing practice.
- Recognize the need for, and engage in, continuing professional development.
- Understand professional, ethical, and social responsibilities expected of a computer scientist and a military officer.
- Communicate with a range of military and nonmilitary audiences.
- Analyze the impact of computing on Army operations, soldiers, units, and society at large, including ethical, legal, political, and security issues.

Computer Science Honors Major

The Computer Science Honors Program offers cadets the opportunity for additional depth of study in Computer Science. It is expected that cadets in the Computer Science Honors Program will be among the academically highest ranking graduates in Computer Science, will be recognized as Honors graduates of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, and will have “Bachelor of Science in Computer Science with Honors” annotated on their official USMA transcript.

A cadet majoring in Computer Science will normally declare entry into the Computer Science Honors Program at the beginning of the spring term of the Second Class year. This requires a 3.0 cumulative grade point average in the Academy Core Curriculum at the time of entry.

Successful completion of the Computer Science Honors Program includes a required grade point average and successful completion of a research requirement that includes a written report and an oral presentation. The report and presentation should be of a depth and quality suitable for professional publication.

Information Technology Program

The Information Technology (IT) program builds on the USMA Academic Program Goal for Information Technology:

“Graduates understand and apply information technology concepts to acquire, manage, communicate, and defend information, solve problems, and adapt to technological change,”

and the associated definition of Information Technology given in Educating Future Army Officers for a Changing World:

“Information Technology encompasses the knowledge, skills, processes, and tools by which the state of the physical world is sensed and, along with other knowledge, is disseminated, stored, transformed, processed, analyzed, presented, used to make decisions about actions, and used to initiate and control actions.”

Information technologists play a critical role in the specification, design, acquisition, deployment, and management of information technologies for the Army and society. They address the development and evolution of infrastructure and systems for use in organizations. In the Army, information technologists design, install, and modify information systems and networks in tactical and strategic environments.

The Information Technology Major

The IT major provides cadets an opportunity to study information technology in substantially greater depth than is possible in the core curriculum. The IT major is about integrating information technology solutions with organizational processes to effectively and efficiently meet the information needs of the Armed Forces, businesses, and other organizations while giving firm consideration to human nature. Graduates of the IT major will be able to integrate the hardware designed and built by electrical engineers and the software developed by computer scientists to build, assemble, install, configure, and operate an information infrastructure that is responsive to rapidly changing and unexpected user requirements. Building on the USMA core program in Information Technology (IT105 and IT305), the IT major provides the combination of knowledge and practical, hands-on expertise for planning, selecting, installing, integrating, and maintaining a complete information system.

The primary goal of the IT major is to teach cadets to systematically identify critical information requirements and then design, build, and test complex information systems from hardware and software components to meet individual client and Army organizational needs.





Graduates of the Information Technology major program:

- Configure and integrate the capabilities of multi-user information systems in response to short-term user needs and unexpected user requirements.
- Effectively employ new technologies to integrate the components of an information system.
- Rapidly configure and integrate new applications in the end-user environment; explain information technology to nontechnical users using the concepts and context of a “user-friendly” environment.
- Design and implement network-centric operations that are responsive to a diverse user community and secure from attempts to subvert the delivery of those services.
- Effectively employ new technologies for sensing the physical world, transmitting and storing data across worldwide information networks, and processing and presenting that data in support of decision making.
- Demonstrate management methodology leadership for the system lifecycle and integrate IT planning in support of the problem-solving process.
- Demonstrate the background for professional practice, graduate study, and service to the Army.

Expected outcomes for graduating cadets in the Information Technology major program are to:

- Communicate solutions to problems clearly, both orally and in writing.

- Adhere to the professional and ethical standards of the IT profession.
- Embrace lifetime learning and the recognition to continue learning throughout a career.
- Develop specialized IT skills in a personally selected specialty area.
- Work as individuals and members of a design team that meets desired specifications.
- Identify, document, and analyze information system requirements for a client and then develop information systems that meet those requirements by integrating core information technologies while using current best professional practices.
- Develop and evaluate effective user-interaction designs.
- Apply and explain the rationale for accepted security practices to optimize information assurance.
- Demonstrate knowledge in the design and implementation of networks.

The Information Technology Honors Major

A cadet majoring in Information Technology will normally declare entry into the Information Technology (IT) Honors Program at the beginning of the spring term of the Second Class year. This requires a 3.0 cumulative grade point average in the Academy Core Curriculum at the time of entry. Additional requirements are:

- Successful completion of the IT major with a 3.5 academic program score (APS).

- Successful completion of the Academy Core Curriculum with a 3.0 APS average.
- Successful completion of the research requirement consisting of enrollment in one of the IT491/2/3 independent study courses that will include completion of both a written report and an oral presentation. The report and presentation should be of a depth and quality suitable for professional publication.

The EITS Major

The Electronic and Information Technology Systems (EITS) major is a 40-course baseline major that offers theoretical and hands-on experience with electrical engineering, computer science, information technology, and other topics of interest to the individual cadet. EITS is a flexible major that gives cadets significant choices in composing programs of study that match their individual interests by selecting courses from throughout the offerings of the department. The EITS major is challenging, but lets cadets choose their challenges. Furthermore, the EITS major can be completed with no more than five courses each term, giving the cadet the opportunity to place greater emphasis on other parts of the academic program, the military program, or the athletic program.

Cadets majoring in EITS choose a focus area, such as Information Assurance, Robotics, Digital Networks, or Software Development. These focus areas are created by selecting one of the augmented core engineering sequences offered by the department and by selecting additional three-course threads from among more than a dozen offered in areas such as networks, telecommunications, information assurance, robotics, remote sensing, machine intelligence, software development, and more.



Courses Offered

CS300 Computer Science Fundamentals

Both Terms—Prerequisite: IT105/IT155 or validation.

This is the first course for cadets enrolled in the computer science core engineering sequence. This course presents a thought-provoking introduction to key computer science concepts. Cadets develop their understanding of programming (to include modular design) and problem-solving skills begun in IT105 and build a foundation for further computer science studies by focusing on software, data organization, and other topics.

3 Credit Hours

CS301 Fundamentals of Computer Science

Both Terms—Prerequisites: IT105/IT155 or validation.

This is a foundation course that presents a thought-provoking introduction to key computer science concepts. Cadets develop their understanding of programming (to include modular design) and problem-solving skills begun in IT 105 and build a foundation for further computer science studies by focusing on software, data organization, and other topics. Exercises in the design and implementation of software systems are required.

3.5 Credit Hours

CS350 Database Design and Implementation

Both Terms—Prerequisites: CS300/CS301 or IT305.

This course addresses the analysis, design and implementation of relational database applications. Implementation techniques and considerations are discussed and practiced extensively. Key concepts include analysis and design using a standardized notation such as the unified modeling language (UML), data model to logical schema conversion techniques, normalization, transaction processing, and client-server architectures.

3 Credit Hours

CS384 Data Structures

Both Terms—Prerequisite: CS301.

This course builds on the cadet's basic programming knowledge. Major emphasis is placed on object-based design, programming methodology, algorithms and algorithm analysis, data structures, and abstract data types as tools for the analysis, design, and implementation of software modules to meet specified requirements. Cadets will learn and employ several well-known algorithms and data structures. A block-structured programming language reflecting comprehensive support for

good software engineering principles will be the foundation of application-oriented exercises. Cadets will design software solutions by employing problem decomposition and selecting the appropriate algorithms and abstract data types.

3 Credit Hours

CS385 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS384 and MA372.

This course studies analysis of algorithms and the relevance of analysis to the design of efficient computer programs. Algorithmic approaches covered include greedy, divide and conquer, and dynamic programming. Topics include sorting, searching, graph algorithms, and disjoint set structure.

3 Credit Hours

CS394 Distributed Application Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS300/CS301 and CS350.

Building on the foundations of algorithm implementation and data representation, this course focuses on the principles of designing, implementing, and testing a modern distributed application. Cadets study the construction and interaction of user interface, network, web server, database, and other components to produce an integrated working secure system. Cadets will learn new tools and skills as a natural part of analyzing, designing, and delivering a system that solves a given problem.

3 Credit Hours

CS400 Computer Science Seminar

Second Term—Prerequisite: CS401.

This weekly seminar addresses topics of concern to professional computer scientists and software engineers, such as the cultural, societal, legal, and ethical implications of computers and computer usage.

1 Credit Hour

CS401 Software Systems Design I

First Term—Prerequisite: CS403. **Corequisite:** CS350.

This course provides cadets with an integrative engineering design experience on a complex problem with a "real-world" client. Conceptual material stresses requirements definition and problem-solving strategies applied to the design and implementation of software systems. Cadets also learn and employ additional advanced computing techniques that prepare them for project implementation in CS402.

3.5 Credit Hours

CS402 Software Systems Design II

Second Term—Prerequisite: CS401.

This course presents the implementation of the design for a "real-world" client begun in CS401. Cadets apply the principles of design and implementation and the issues involved in the production of a significant software-based system. Cadets assess project progress and quality in the phases of the software-development process. They develop understanding of the "analyze, design, build, and test paradigm" required for software engineering projects.

3.5 Credit Hours

CS403 Object Oriented Concepts

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS384 and CS350.

This course builds on the fundamental programming skills from prerequisite courses to explore advanced concepts used in modern object-oriented software design to create software that is robust, reusable, and extensible in varying problem domains. Cadets gain confidence in their abilities to model, implement, and test solutions to demanding programming problems.

3 Credit Hours

CS473 Computer Graphics

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS384, MA205/MA255, and PH203/PH253.

This course concerns computer programs that draw two- and three-dimensional objects on computer-output devices and receive input from users through graphical input devices. Cadets implement interactive programs. They learn about graphical hardware devices, elementary computational geometry, continuous-time physical simulation, homogeneous transformations, parametric forms, clipping, shading, color, and surface rendering. These concepts are all illustrated with examples of military data visualization, including two-dimensional maps and three-dimensional battle simulation and terrain visualization.

3 Credit Hours

CS474 Fundamentals of Computer Theory

First Term—Prerequisite: CS385.

This course grounds the cadet in the essentials of computational theory: formal languages, automata, and computability. Computation is framed in the context of the Chomsky, polynomial and exponential time, and decidability hierarchies. It explores fundamental limits on computation: what problems can never be solved, what problems can be solved but are intractable, and the class NP of problems that are thought to be intractable, but for which no proof of intractability exists to date.

3 Credit Hours

CS476 Compiler Design

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS403, CS474, CS478, and EE375.

This course introduces the cadet to classical design, including lexical analysis, symbol table construction, parsing, semantic analysis through attribute evaluation, code generation, and optimization. Related tools such as interpreters, text processors, and file processors are also discussed. Classroom presentation includes many demonstrations of operating compiler fragments and the study of real compiler internals. A multi-part, semester-long term project parallels the syllabus, providing the opportunity to put classroom discussion to immediate use in writing a functional compiler.

3 Credit Hours

CS478 Programming Languages

First Term—Prerequisite: CS403.

Concepts of high-level programming language design are explored in detail. Cadets examine the fundamental issues of programming language design and use this knowledge as a framework for comparison of different high-level languages. Cadets study concepts from some or all of the imperative, functional, object-oriented, concurrent, and logic programming language paradigms.

3 Credit Hours

CS481 Operating Systems

First Term—Prerequisite: CS403.

This course investigates the design issues encountered in modern operating systems, including the management of resources such as processors, main storage, secondary storage, I/O devices, files, and communication networks. These concepts are reinforced by a series of programming projects that include both design and implementation.

3 Credit Hours

CS482 Information Assurance

Second Term—Prerequisite: CS481 or IT382.

This is a lab-based course in Information Assurance with a focus on network and operating system security technologies. A course project and term paper bring together diverse concepts in operating systems, networking, and security. Laboratory exercises include offensive and defensive information operations. In a culminating event, cadets participate in a series of competitive network security exercises in which they develop and implement defensive measures and conduct forensic analysis in response to application, host, or network based intrusions.

3.5 Credit Hours

CS484 Computer Networks

Both Terms—Prerequisite: CS403 or IT382.

This course provides concepts necessary to understand the design and operation of computer networks. The course examines the TCP/IP protocol suite that underlies the Internet. Other principles include multiplexing, switching, flow control, and error control. Internetworking and its application to both local and wide area networks are also investigated. The course offers an understanding of the current status and future directions of network technology and standards.

3 Credit Hours

CS485 Special Topics in Computer Science

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Permission of the program director.

This course provides in-depth study of a special topic in computer science not offered elsewhere in the USMA curriculum.

3 Credit Hours

CS486 Artificial Intelligence

First Term—Prerequisites: CS384 and EE360.

This course surveys artificial intelligence (AI) topics and technologies. It covers the broad range of disciplines associated with AI and the types of problems to which AI techniques may be applied. Topics include search techniques, predicate calculus, knowledge representation, expert- and knowledge-based systems, machine learning, neural networks, genetic algorithms, and intelligent agents.

3 Credit Hours

CS488 Discrete Event Simulation

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS403, CS474. **Corequisite:** CS478.

This course applies previous theoretical and practical work in the CS major to event-driven simulations, a subject of great importance to the Army. Within a framework of applied theory, design, and implementation of simulations, topics covered include process modeling, language representations, translation, semantic analysis, interpretive execution, and graphical visualization of results. Stochastic techniques for modeling and analysis underlie many of these areas. A multi-part, semester-long term project parallels the syllabus, providing the opportunity to put classroom discussion to immediate use in a simulation system built by the cadet.

3 Credit Hours

CS489 Advanced Individual Study in Computer Science

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Permission of department head.

This course provides qualified cadets with the opportunity to pursue computer science studies at a level beyond other courses. The cadet will formalize a proposal, design a viable research plan, and conduct research under the guidance and supervision of a faculty advisor.

3 Credit Hours

CS490 Computer Science Summer Research

Summer Term—Prerequisite: Permission of department head.

This course is designed to familiarize the cadet with advanced techniques for independent research in computer science. The course will normally require research, development, and implementation of a novel idea or concept. An oral presentation and a written project report will be completed under the supervision of a West Point faculty member who serves as project advisor.

1-3 Credit Hours

EE300 Fundamentals of Digital Logic

First Term—Prerequisite: IT105 or IT155.

This course is an introduction to digital systems for non-engineering majors. Coverage includes Boolean algebra, memory devices, and basic computer building blocks. Design and analysis of combinational and sequential logic circuits are supplemented by laboratory exercises. State-of-the-art devices, such as programmable logic arrays, are used to implement the systems. Offered primarily for cadets enrolled in the EE sequence.

3 Credit Hours

EE301 Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering

Both Terms—Prerequisites: MA205 and PH202.

An introductory course in electrical engineering for non-EEs, this provides a background in DC, transient, and steady-state AC analysis, including coverage of nonlinear devices, communication theory, and information technology. Disqualifying for EE302 and EE350.

3.5 Credit Hours



EE375 Introduction to Computer Architecture

Both Terms—Prerequisite: EE360.

This course provides an introduction to computer organization and computer architecture. It builds on digital logic theory and devices (as studied in EE360) to develop more-complex systems. Emphasis is placed on understanding the basics of computer system organization, design, and operation. This includes the use of Register Transfer Language (RTL) to describe the movement of data in the computer and assembly language programming to control the system at a higher level. Additionally, students are introduced to modern engineering design tools through the use of VHDL (VHSIC Hardware Description Language) as they design, simulate, and program a simple processor in two design projects. Other topics, such as micro-program control, RISC architectures, arithmetic processing, input/output, and memory design, are introduced. Finally, cadets study contemporary PC organization by examining the operation of a program at the register level.

3 Credit Hours

EE302 Introduction to Electrical Engineering

Both Terms—Corequisites: MA205, PH202, PH204, MA255, PH252, PH254.

This is the first course in electrical engineering for electrical engineering majors. It provides background in electrical circuit analysis. It covers circuit theory; RC, RL, and RLC transient circuit analysis; steady-state ac analysis, and power circuits. Laboratory work emphasizes circuit theory and instrumentation.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE350 Basic Electrical Engineering

Both Terms—Prerequisites: MA205 and PH202.

This introductory course in electrical engineering for non-engineering majors provides a foundation in basic circuit theory and analysis, power in circuits and electric power systems, and analog electronics. Lectures, laboratory work, classroom demonstrations and discussions showing practical applications emphasize and illustrate the fundamental theories and concepts presented in the course. Offered primarily for cadets enrolled in the EE sequence.

3 Credit Hours

EE360 Digital Computer Logic

Both Terms—Prerequisite: IT105.

This course is an introduction to digital systems for electrical engineering majors. Coverage includes Boolean algebra, logic networks, memory devices, and basic computer building blocks. Design and analysis of combinational and sequential digital machines are supplemented by laboratory exercises. State-of-the-art devices, such as programmable logic arrays, are used to demonstrate the internal operations of a computer. The course includes a major design project.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE362 Introduction to Electronics

First Term—Prerequisite: EE302.

This course is an introduction to electronics. Study includes basic electronics, semiconductors, transistor amplifiers, integrated circuits, and computer-aided circuit design. Laboratory exercises supplement course material. Includes a major design project.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE377 Electric Power Engineering

Both Terms—Prerequisite: EE301 or EE302.

The fundamentals of electric power engineering are covered in three areas: electromechanical energy conversion, electric power systems, and power electronics. Emphasis is on steady-state behavior of single-phase and three-phase equipment and systems. Machines, transformers, transmission lines, and solid-state converters are studied.

3 Credit Hours

EE381 Signals and Systems

First Term—Prerequisites: EE302 and MA364.

This course examines the general properties of signals and linear systems, both continuous and discrete. The basis for study is transform theory, including Fourier, Laplace, and Z-transforms. The coverage provides background for further work in communications, electronics, and control systems. Course content includes laboratory exercises and design problems.

3.5 Credit Hours



EE383 Electromagnetic Fields and Waves

Second Term—Prerequisites: MA364 and PH202.

This is a study of the theory of static and time-varying electromagnetic fields. Applications developed include transmission lines, waveguides, antennas, and wave propagation in various media. Principles are emphasized through exercises using microwave equipment. The course concludes with a study of Maxwell's equations. Course content includes laboratory exercises and simulation of electromagnetic field problems.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE400 Electrical Engineering Seminar

Second Term—Prerequisite: EE401.

This weekly seminar addresses professional engineering issues, such as licensing requirements, ethics, continuing education, and design aesthetics. Further discussions cover the application of electrical engineering within the Army and Department of Defense, including planning, budgeting, project management, and defense systems. Final topics are chosen from the emerging technologies of electrical engineering.

1 Credit Hour

EE401 Electronic System Design I

First Term—Prerequisite: EE362.

This first course in the senior design sequence focuses on providing cadets with an introduction to system design as a member of a design team. Cadets choose senior design projects, and teams are formed. Teams complete design proposals and preliminary designs.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE402 Electronic System Design II

Second Term—Prerequisite: EE401.

This course provides a team capstone design experience in electrical engineering that integrates math, science, and engineering into a comprehensive system. The system design focuses on electronics, but may also include software and mechanical subsystems. Teams complete final design and implementation of the systems begun in EE401.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE450 Military Electronic Systems

Both Terms—Prerequisites: EE300 or EE360, and EE350.

This course explores both theoretical and practical aspects of designing electronic systems. The course investigates conversion between digital and analog signals, the engineering science (tools and techniques) required to analyze and design communication, signal processing, control, and power systems; it introduces simulation as an essential part of the design process. Finally, students complete the conceptual phase of an electronic system design and either simulate or implement the design. This is offered primarily for cadets enrolled in the EE sequence.

3 Credit Hours

EE462 Electronic Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: EE362.

This second course in electronics focuses on linear, direct-coupled amplifier design and the design of many of the electronic circuits commonly used in low-frequency electronic systems. The course is lab-oriented, giving the cadet design experience with many of the circuits taught in the course. Cadets design, build, and test several small electronic circuits as a part of this course.

3.5 Credit Hours

EE477 Communications Systems

Second Term—Prerequisites: EE362 and EE381.

This course presents a study of the principles of analog and digital communication systems including the limiting effects of noise and bandwidth. Study includes amplitude, frequency, and phase modulation techniques for both analog and digital systems. It examines time and frequency domain techniques for multiplexing, detecting, analyzing, and optimizing systems for the transfer of information. Course content includes a design project and a series of written design problems.

3 Credit Hours

EE478 Digital Communications Networks

Second Term—Prerequisite: EE381.

This course examines the operation and design of telecommunication networks and systems for the exchange of analog and digital information. The functional activities of transport, switching, access, and control are considered, leading to a comprehensive examination of message-, circuit-, and packet-switched systems.

3 Credit Hours



EE482 Wireless Communication System Engineering

First Term—Prerequisite: EE362.

This course provides an introduction to wireless systems engineering with applications to voice and data networks. Descriptions of well-known systems, such as cell phones, pagers, and wireless LANs, are presented along with the design considerations for deployment of wireless networks. Wireless radio channel modeling along with common impairments, such as multi-path fading, are introduced, and modulation techniques well-suited to the wireless applications are presented. Receivers for the various modulation schemes are analyzed in terms of performance, and the trade-offs offered by source and channel coding are presented. Multiple access techniques used in wireless applications are introduced and the design of networks described. The course concludes with an analysis and description of deployed systems along with their standards and services provided.

3 Credit Hours

EE483 Photonics Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisites: EE362 and EE383.

This course introduces lightwave technology (photonics) and the principles used in electro-optical engineering and design. Topics include electromagnetic theory, wave propagation, design of representative systems, signal generation, processing, and detection at optical frequencies.

3 Credit Hours

EE484 Advanced Computer Architecture Using VHDL

First Term—Prerequisite: EE375.

This course builds on the computer organization foundation in EE475/CS380 by providing a functional block approach using VHDL, a hardware description language. The course includes a term design project based on the design-build-test methodology.

3 Credit Hours

EE485 Special Topics in Electrical Engineering

First Term—Prerequisite: Permission of visiting professor.

This course provides an in-depth study of special topics in electrical engineering not offered elsewhere in the USMA curriculum. Course content will be based on the expertise of a senior Electrical Engineering faculty member or a visiting professor.

3 Credit Hours

EE486 Solid State Electronics

Second Term—Prerequisite: EE362.

This course begins with a study of the basic properties of crystals, elementary quantum models for solids, and basic semiconductor models. Theories of operation are then developed for diodes, transistors, and other electronic devices. Laboratory exercises study basic properties of semi-conductors and device fabrication. Course design content includes integrated circuit design and layout, CMOS gate design, and design of laboratory testing procedures.

3 Credit Hours

EE487 Designing with Microprocessors

Second Term—Prerequisite: EE375.

This course employs integrated circuit microprocessors as extremely flexible circuit elements. Cadets review microprocessor organization and study different methods for using microprocessors to control other devices. Some of these solutions are implemented during practical laboratory exercises.

3 Credit Hours

EE489 Advanced Individual Study in Electrical Engineering

Both Terms—Prerequisites: EE362 and permission of department head.

This course provides qualified cadets with the opportunity to pursue electrical engineering studies at a level beyond other courses. The cadet will formalize a proposal, design a viable research plan, and conduct research under the guidance and supervision of a faculty advisor.

3 Credit Hours

EE490 Electrical Engineering Summer Research

Summer Term—Prerequisite: Permission of department head.

This course normally requires research, development, and implementation of a novel idea or concept. An oral presentation and a written project report are completed under the supervision of a member of the faculty.

1-3 Credit Hours

IS450 Principles of Distributed Application Engineering

Both Terms—Prerequisites: CS300/CS301 and CS350.

Building on the foundations of algorithm implementation and data representation, this course focuses on the principles of constructing a modern distributed application. Cadets study the principles, construction, and interaction of user interface, network, web server, and database components to produce an effective distributed application. Cadets will learn new tools and skills as a natural part of analyzing, designing, and delivering a system that solves a given problem.

3 Credit Hours

IT105 Introduction to Computing and Information Technology

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

This core course introduces principles of computer hardware, software design and implementation, programming, and data networks, including the web. Problem solving, using computers and robotics as tools, is a central theme. Societal issues including ethics and security are discussed.

3 Credit Hours

IT155 Advanced Placement Introduction to Computing and Information Technology

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Selection by course director.

This course has the same subject matter as IT105, with additional opportunities to pursue advanced topics related to computers and programming.

3 Credit Hours

IT305 Theory and Practice of Military Information Technology Systems

Both Terms—Prerequisites: IT105/IT155, MA206, PH204/PH254, CH102/CH152, SS202, and EV203.

This course builds on the foundations of IT acquired during the first two years of cadet experiences. It covers web design and implementation, the digitization process, networking, databases, information systems, and information assurance. Cadets also study several aspects of military and commercial information technology (IT) infrastructures, as well as learn the IT concepts and techniques that will facilitate their successes as military officers and inspire lifelong learning in the IT domain. IT305 emphasizes hands-on learning; students complete numerous in-class exercises and labs in addition to team projects.

3 Credit Hours



“What is most needed for learning is a humble mind.”

Confucius



IT382 Networked Systems Management

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS300/CS301 and IT305/EE360.

Cadets learn the technical management principles needed to configure, secure, and operate networked computer systems that will be usable in the Army enterprise. The course will integrate fundamental knowledge of network functionality and the architecture of networked computers by teaching cadets the concepts required to configure, install, and maintain a network of computers. Cadets will learn how to provide the robustness, reliability, performance, and security expected of modern networked computer systems across large enterprises.

3 Credit Hours

IT383 User Interface Development

Second Term—Prerequisite: CS300 or CS301.

This course provides a practical introduction to user interface development and usability engineering of interactive applications. The disciplines of Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) and Software Engineering guide these endeavors, but the focus here is more applied than theoretical. Major emphasis is on the principles and techniques for human-centered design and implementation of graphical user interfaces (GUIs) within a software-development lifecycle. Cadets will extend their knowledge of programming in a high-level language by learning how to use an interface builder to create a fully functional GUI. Cadets will learn and practice human-centered problem analysis techniques and usability testing methodologies to ensure that their interfaces are usable. A hypothetico-deducto approach to design is emphasized throughout their development efforts. Fundamentals taught in this course will prepare cadets for more advanced software development, development of physical devices, or a deeper theoretical look at HCI topics.

3 Credit Hours

IT400 IT Seminar

Second Term—Corequisite: IT402.

This seminar meets once each week and includes all First Class cadets majoring in information technology. This course addresses professional practice topics such as the moral, legal, and ethical implications of the discipline and their usage. Topics also address Army and DoD initiatives, as well as new developments in the discipline.

1 Credit Hour



IT401 IT System Development I

First Term—Corequisites: IS450 and EE450.

This course is the first in the senior-level integrative capstone experience. Its purpose is to prepare cadets for a coherent system-integration experience. Conceptual material stresses requirements elicitation including aspects of the social, political, economic, and ethical dimensions; project planning; and integration of information technologies to meet the needs of the user organization.

3 Credit Hours

IT402 IT System Development II

Second Term—Prerequisite: IT401.

This course is the second in the senior-level integrative capstone experience. Cadets examine, in detail, the principles and issues involved in the integration of a significant information system. Cadet design teams, under the guidance of course instructors and in interdisciplinary groups, work on a client-focused system-integration project that includes the social, political, economic, and ethical dimensions.

3 Credit Hours

IT460 The Politics, Strategy, and Tactics of Information Warfare

First Term—Prerequisites: IT105/IT155 and SS307/SS357, or validation.

This course addresses political, legal, and ethical aspects of information warfare and the technology and techniques of cyber attack. Faculty from the departments of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science and Social Sciences jointly teach this course. The course covers how information technology has changed the world and the national security environment of the United States. Students also learn how attack and defense are conducted in cyberspace through classroom discussion and hands-on exercises in the IWAR Laboratory. The course culminates with a group project in which cadets are given a real scenario and possible U.S. objectives and then develop and brief an information operation plan.

3 Credit Hours

IT491, IT492, IT493 IT Independent Study

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Permission of the department head.

This elective will be tailored to the specific project and to qualifications of the cadet. The research, study program, or special project will be proposed by the cadet or selected from those proposed by the department. The cadet will formalize a proposal, develop a viable research plan, and conduct project design under the guidance and supervision of a faculty advisor. The head of the department will approve cadet projects and designate 1, 2, or 3 credits. Lessons and labs established through consultation between cadet and advisor.

1, 2, or 3 Credit Hours

XE402 Interdisciplinary Integrative Experience

Fall Term—Prerequisites: CS300 and CS350, or CS301 and CS350, or EE300 and EE350, or EE360 and EE350. **Corequisite:** EE450 or IS450.

This course gives cadets who are completing the EE or CS three-course engineering sequence the opportunity to participate on senior design project teams in an integrative experience environment. The first half of the course requires analysis of economic, social, political, ethical, and other considerations related to the problem facing the team. During the second half of the course, each analysis is factored into the proposed solution while considering technical tradeoffs. In the case of low enrollment in this course, cadets may act as consultants to more than one project team.

3 Credit Hours

XE472 Dynamic Modeling and Control

Both Terms—Prerequisite: EE362 or EE301.

Analysis and design of linear feedback control systems are the focus of this course. Time and frequency domain techniques are used to examine system performance and stability. State variable system description and digital control concepts are introduced. Laboratory work uses servomechanisms.

3 Credit Hours

XE497 Critical Scientific Reasoning

First Term—Prerequisite: Approval of the department head; open only to First Class cadets.

The purpose of this course is to improve the cadet's ability to analyze complex problems in a variety of applied physical science applications using mathematical, scientific, and engineering principles and to articulate clearly their analysis and results verbally and in writing. Breadth across a variety of scientific and engineering disciplines will be achieved by studying and discussing current research activities from a variety of fields as well as examining the limitations to scientific advancement in each field. In order to take advantage of the diverse skills of the USMA faculty and selected experts from outside West Point, some classes will be led by guest instructors, each of whom will recommend readings in support of his or her topic.

3 Credit Hours





The Department of English contributes to the total education of cadets by teaching them to organize their ideas effectively and express them clearly in writing; to understand the power of imagination and the beauty of language through a study of literature; to reason clearly, through a study of philosophy, about fundamental matters affecting their desire to lead worthy, examined lives; and to appreciate the diverse cultures that constitute America and the world by studying texts that reflect those cultures. In addition to core courses in composition, literature, and philosophy, the Department of English offers a major in Art, Philosophy, and Literature.



Studies in Art, Philosophy, and Literature Major

Intellectually curious cadets who shape a program in Art, Philosophy, and Literature deepen their knowledge and appreciation of humanity's ability to reason and create. The field offers cadets unparalleled insights to the human condition through study of the aesthetic creations, worldviews, and imaginative works that mark a wide array of cultures. As manifestations of human behavior, those subjects repay attention with enriched understandings of history and with explanations of why people pursue particular goals. Presenting ethical issues in diverse ways, the field helps cadets in apprehending life's moral complexity and in dealing reasonably with it. Cadets refine their speaking and writing skills and strengthen their respect for the power of language. By completing a major, cadets develop a culturally sensitive global perspective, prepare themselves uniquely for Army service, and promise to contribute immensely to the continued success of the Army.

Standard Courses

EN101 Composition

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

EN101 aims to develop clear, logical, and grammatically correct expression in written discourse. Daily writing and revision reinforce instruction in the writing process. Substance, organization, style, and correctness are major concerns of the course.

3 Credit Hours

EN102 Literature

Both Terms—Corequisite: EN101.

EN102 studies ways in which writers use language imaginatively. Cadets develop the writing techniques of EN101 in responding to assignments on selected works of literature from diverse authors.

3 Credit Hours

EN302 Advanced Composition

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PY201 and standing as a Second Class cadet.

EN302 refines basic writing skills, develops sophisticated techniques of written expression, and establishes a critical editorial sense with respect to the cadet's own composition and the writings of others. Exemplary readings give substance to daily writing, while revision and extensive counseling emphasize the requirement for substance, organization, style, and correctness. Cadets achieve the competence in writing appropriate for a college graduate and necessary for an Army officer.

3 Credit Hours

PY201 Philosophy

Both Terms—Prerequisite: EN102.

PY201 helps cadets develop their capacities to think clearly and critically. It acquaints cadets with various viewpoints on major philosophical issues; assists them in acquiring a facility with the language, arguments, and methods of moral discourse; and gives special attention to the subject of war and morality.

3 Credit Hours

Elective Courses

The Art, Philosophy, and Literature (APL) program offers certain elective courses

every academic year. These courses are EP333 Cultural Studies, EP344 Criticism, EP359 Logical Reasoning, EP388 Ancient Philosophy, EP433 Senior Seminar, and EP487/EP488 Senior Thesis I and II. All other electives are offered in alternate years.

EP333 Cultural Studies

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP333 analyzes a culture through the study of its art, philosophy, and literature. It not only acquaints cadets with a particular period and place but also introduces them to various definitions of culture and to recent themes and debates in cultural studies. The works of theorists as diverse as Matthew Arnold, Walter Benjamin, Raymond Williams, and Laura Mulvey inform this team-taught course's interdisciplinary approach to cultural artifacts as well as its investigation of aesthetics, ideology, and issues of ethnicity, gender, and class. Typical areas of focus include Augustan Rome, Enlightenment France, and Meiji Japan. Cadets should take this course early in their programs of study.

3 Credit Hours





EP341 British Literature I

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course is an introduction to the study of British literature, ranging from the Anglo-Saxon period through the 18th century. Cadets will encounter representative masterworks from the Old English, Medieval, Renaissance, and Neoclassical periods, exploring in the process the development of literary forms, the culture of the British Isles, and the English language itself. Possible areas of emphasis include narrative and lyric poetry from all these periods, drama from the Middle Ages and Renaissance, the periodical essay from the Neoclassical period, and the emergence of the novel as a distinct form of literature in the 18th century.

3 Credit Hours

EP342 Film and Film Theory

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP342 examines film as the major new art form of the 20th century. Screenings of important films and readings in film theory introduce cadets to the origins, evolution, and cultural influence of cinema. Cadets explore connections between film and the other arts as well as the relationship between art and technology. Topics may include the Hollywood studio system, the transition to sound, world cinema, auteur theory, screenwriting, censorship, and propaganda.

3 Credit Hours

EP343 American Literature I

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

The course will focus on the development of American literature from early contact to the Civil War. Cadets will read from works by such authors as the Puritans, Jefferson, Lincoln, the Transcendentalists, Emerson, Dickinson, Whitman, and Melville as well as literature outside the New England canon: for example, works by Native Americans, French and Spanish colonizers, and African captives. All works will be considered

in the context of cultural and intellectual history. EP343 considers a broad range of genres and modes of writing, including (but not limited to) colonial theory, ethnography, autobiography, fiction, essays, and poetry. A central concern of the course will be the question of what constitutes American literature.

3 Credit Hours

EP344 Criticism

Second Term—Corequisite: PY201.

EP344 introduces cadets to the theory of interpretation and the practice of literary criticism. Through the study of critics ranging from the ancient to the postmodern, cadets investigate mimetic, pragmatic, expressive, and objective schools. They also cultivate their own philosophies of interpretation and apply them to primary texts. Readings may focus on aesthetic, cultural, and ethical dimensions of literature, on the role of the critic, and on the proliferation of competing theories during the latter half of the 20th century.

3 Credit Hours

EP346 British Literature II

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course continues the survey initiated in British Literature I by considering major authors and works of the 19th and 20th centuries. Through representative but necessarily selective readings, cadets will trace the development of British literature from the Romantic Period into the Victorian Age and then to the present day. Possible areas of emphasis include poetry of the English Romantics; Victorian poetry and prose, to include the novel; and poetry, short fiction, and drama from the twentieth century. Study will emphasize the relation of the works considered to the cultural history of Great Britain and the British Empire and will attend as well to the wider influence of the British tradition.

3 Credit Hours

EP348 American Literature II

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP348 will consider both traditional and nontraditional writings from the Civil War to the present. Cadets will examine post-Civil War literature and the myriad, often contradictory desires – economic, aesthetic, sexual, spiritual, and intellectual – to which it gives expression. The course will provide a framework within which cadets may read the literature in a historical context. As does American Literature I, the course stresses the diversity of experience and poetics that characterizes American literature. In addition, cadets will trace the evolution of important literary movements and philosophical influences as well as the metamorphoses of certain genres over time.

3 Credit Hours

EP351 World Literature

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course enhances cadets' cultural awareness and refines their disciplinary knowledge and interpretive skills by introducing them to major literary texts from around the globe. As an advanced exercise in comparative study and synthesis, World Literature builds on core courses such as EN302 and foreign language offerings. The prose and poetry of a variety of periods and a range of countries provide contexts for and contrasts to the Anglo-American tradition. In a given semester typical texts could include epics and tragedies of Ancient Greece and Rome, Russian novels, works of medieval Islamic literature, haiku of Japan, Continental European novels of the 19th century, or postmodern fiction of South America. This course familiarizes cadets not only with important literary forms and genres but also with cultural and historical contexts for many of the most pressing issues in our volatile world.

3 Credit Hours

EP359 Logical Reasoning

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP359 introduces cadets to logic, the art and science of reasoning. It will cover such topics as analyzing and critiquing arguments in English, identifying informal fallacies and fallacious reasoning, and identifying hidden assumptions. The course will address deductive symbolic logic (including traditional Aristotelian logic, modern propositional logic, and some quantificational logic) and inductive logic (probabilistic arguments). Other topics explored in the course include logical diagrams, definitions and analogies, and the use of logic for solving problems and puzzles. Cadets will use the critical-reasoning tools they gain in EP359 to analyze everyday arguments in various fields, including the law and public policy. They will also concentrate on the use of logic in decision-making and in constructing their own convincing arguments.

3 Credit Hours



EP360 Eastern Art

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Investigating Chinese, Indian, Indonesian, and Japanese folk crafts and architecture, this course intensifies and expands knowledge and understanding of Eastern cultures. To the extent that beautiful and treasured artifacts define and explain a culture, the objects of study provide an important entry to societies marked by languages generally unknown to Western observers.

3 Credit Hours

EP361 Western Art I: Ancient to Medieval

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Giotto began painting human figures in a way that differed significantly from the vision of his predecessors, and soon sculptors and architects, inspired by classical models, also departed from their received traditions. As significant as those changes were, the work of the preceding 4,000 years remains essential to students of art history. Cadets in this course will study some of the great artifacts surviving from those years and seek to understand the various cultural influences that shaped their creation.

3 Credit Hours

EP363 Political Philosophy

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Examining the major theories and problems in the history of political philosophy from Plato to Rawls and emphasizing contemporary theory, this course includes such topics as liberty, equality, political authority, the obligation to obey the state, civil disobedience, anarchism, liberalism, conservatism, democracy, meritocracy, affirmative action, and global politics.

3 Credit Hours

EP365 Ethics of the Military Profession

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

The fundamental values and principles of the warrior ethos can be traced back to ancient Greece and Rome. These values provide the moral boundaries of the military profession and distinguish members of this profession from other individuals and groups who employ violence to achieve their ends. Cadets in this course will examine the moral principles that define the Profession of Arms in terms of when the use of force is permissible (or even obligatory) to achieve political objectives and what, if any, limits ought to govern how that force is used.

3 Credit Hours

EP366 Philosophy of Mind

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course will jointly address major topics in the traditional philosophy of mind and questions created by recent developments in artificial intelligence: What is mind? What is the relationship of a mind to the physical world, including the brain? What are consciousness and self-consciousness? What are the definitions of mental states and processes, such as perception, desire, belief, emotion, reasoning, and action, and their relationship? Can computers be constructed to think or behave like human beings or to have consciousness? Readings will come from classical sources, such as Descartes, as well as contemporary literature in philosophy, cognitive science, and artificial intelligence.

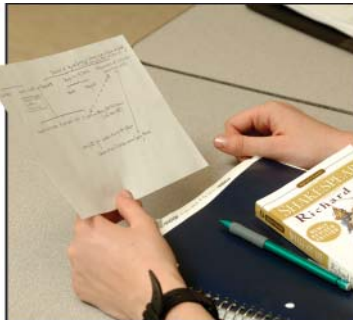
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EP367 Drama

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

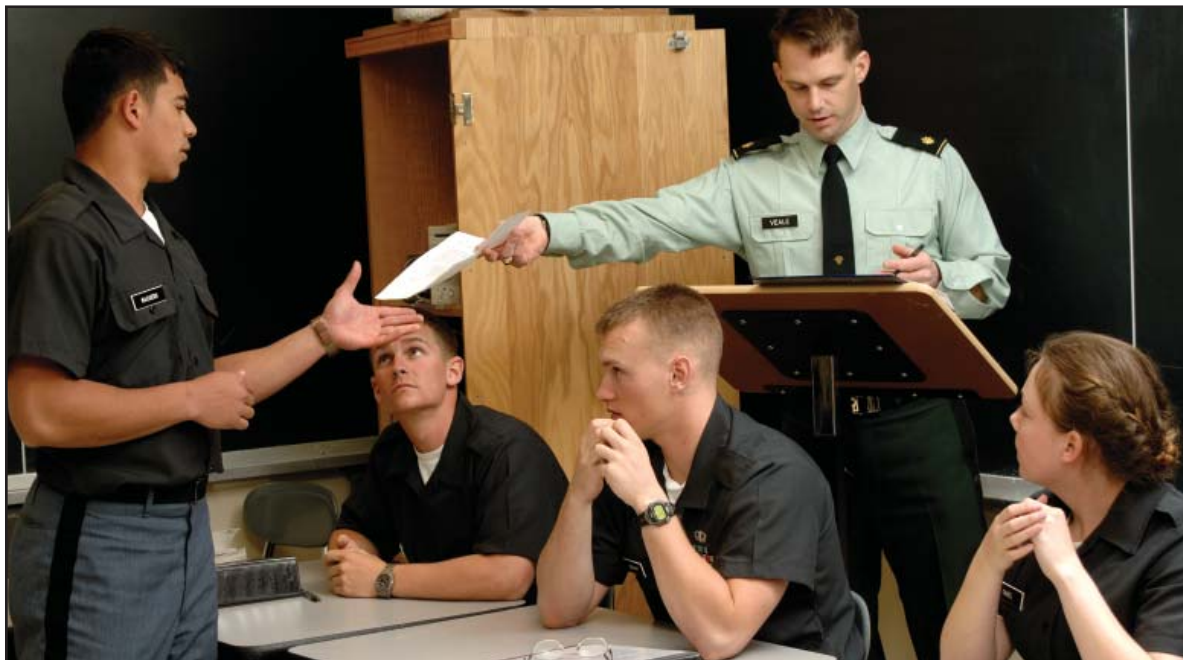
EP367 surveys significant plays from a variety of periods and traditions to give cadets an appreciation of a genre that exists as both written literature and creative interpretation. Works to be studied range from the classical tragedies of ancient Greece through the great products of the English Renaissance to modern efforts by British and American playwrights. Although the primary focus rests upon the Anglo-American tradition, the course will not neglect dramatists from other countries and cultures.

3 Credit Hours



“Philosophy is the science which considers truth.”
Aristotle





and enlighten a serious cadet seeking knowledge about a major part of our planet's population that will greatly influence the shape of our future.

3 Credit Hours

EP381 Philosophy of Religion

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP381 examines the nature and truth claims of religion from the perspective of philosophical analysis. It examines such perennial questions as: Is there a God? What are the arguments for and against the existence of a Supreme Being? How can a good God permit Evil? Is

there life after death? Is it rational to believe in God, or does faith stand above or against reason? What is the relationship of religion to ethics? Is the Good good because God commands it, or does God command the Good because it is good?

3 Credit Hours

EP382 Western Art II: Renaissance to Modern

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Artistic masterpieces proliferated as the West moved into the period now called the Renaissance. As exploration then and later discovered or established other cultures outside Europe, the aesthetic objects of those cultures increased even more the world's inventory of masterpieces. Cadets in EP382 will study selected works from that inventory and gain insight to the artistic process and the astounding cultural education offered by the beautiful creations of a society.

3 Credit Hours

EP383 Reality and Knowledge

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP383 will address the perennial questions concerning the nature of reality (metaphysics) and what we can know about it (epistemology). How do we acquire knowledge of the physical world? ... the nonphysical world? Are there non-corporeal entities (souls, deities, angels)? If so, what can we claim to know about them? How are belief and knowledge related? A systematic and comprehensive approach to these problems and others entails reading works by Plato, Aristotle, Descartes, Locke, Leibniz, Hume, and Kant, as well as more-recent metaphysicians and epistemologists.

3 Credit Hours

EP368 Modern Philosophy

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Beginning with Descartes and the Newtonian revolution, mankind's views of itself and the nature of the world have undergone major changes. In this course cadets will examine some of these changes, the reasons for them, and their impact on contemporary thinking.

3 Credit Hours

EP371 Special Topics in Art History

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course will provide an in-depth examination of a specific topic in visual culture, closely investigating the way images and monuments engage with and discuss economic, cultural, socio-political, and historical forces. In addition to examining the images and their context, cadets will explore the various ways those objects have been interpreted and understood by historians, artists, and critics. Classroom discussion will be supplemented by trip sections to New York City to see many of the actual images and monuments under investigation. Possible topics might include Modernism/Postmodernism, the History of Photography, and the Visual Culture of War.

3 Credit Hours

EP373 Topics in Ethics

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course provides cadets an opportunity for reading and analysis in depth of some of the seminal philosophical works in ethics. Taught in seminar format, the course challenges first-class and second-class cadets to take responsibility for discussion and analysis and for drawing connections between ideas as they occur throughout history and across cultures. The cadets will gain a deeper understanding of the human condition and of the complex world of values.

3 Credit Hours

EP374 The Arts of War

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course ranges widely across cultures and historical periods in studying how human creative imagination has dealt with war. The works in this course are especially illuminating to professional Soldiers.

3 Credit Hours

EP375, 376 Modern Philosophy I & II

Both Terms—Prerequisite: PY201.

Although Descartes is often remembered as the French philosopher who first had to prove his own existence before he could know anything else for certain, he was in fact a champion of empirical science as well as a visionary whose influence on European thought has been lasting. By rejecting traditional science and inherited doctrines of knowledge, Descartes revised the whole agenda for philosophy and set it moving on its modern path. Modern Philosophy I follows that path from its beginnings through its branching in the works of Locke, Berkeley, Hume and Kant, who have also deeply enriched philosophy's heritage. Modern Philosophy II carries the subject forward to the present day by investigating subjects such as pragmatism, logical positivism, philosophy of language. Philosophers include: Peirce, William James, Frege, Bertrand Russell, Quine, and Wittgenstein.

3 Credit Hours Each

EP380 Eastern Thought

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

This course examines primary and secondary sources in a quest for an understanding of the many, often bewildering varieties of Eastern Thought. "The Analects," the works of Mencius and Chuang Tzu, "The Bhagavad-Gita," "Tao Te Ching," "The Tale of Genji," "The Narrow Road to Oku," and "Code of the Samurai": All of those works challenge



EP385 The Novel

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

In this course the word “novel” designates any extended fictional narrative, almost always in prose. Cadets study a variety of novels and become better readers and more imaginative interpreters of their culturally complex world.

3 Credit Hours

EP386 Philosophy of Science

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

What makes something a “science”? What is the difference between science and other types of pursuits? Is there a single “scientific method” or ideal way of discovering, confirming, or disconfirming scientific truths? Are there limitations to the knowledge the sciences can provide? Indeed, do the sciences provide knowledge? Does science rely on presuppositions about the nature of the world or about what exists (ontology), or is it “driven solely by the evidence”? This course will look at the movement of Logical Empiricism as well as responses to and criticisms of that movement, such as those found in Thomas Kuhn’s influential “The Structure of Scientific Revolutions.” Cadets may even read the reflections of some scientists themselves, such as Einstein and Bohr.

3 Credit Hours

EP388 Ancient Philosophy

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

The heritage from ancient Greece and Rome provides the foundation for the Western concept of the universe and the place of people in it. This course examines the origins of philosophy, the essentially secular view of man and the world established during the classical period, and major figures whose views continue to shape Western thought.

3 Credit Hours

EP391 Poetry

First Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Embracing a wide variety of authors, works, periods, traditions, and forms, this course considers the literary genre through which human beings have expressed their most intensely imaginative visions of themselves, the world, and connections between the two. Some consideration of poetics and prosody will complement the cadets’ reading of verse that ranges from Japanese haiku through the Shakespearean sonnet to the free-verse creations of modern and contemporary poets.

3 Credit Hours

EP392 Minority Literatures

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

Designed to expand a cadet’s view beyond the cultural boundaries of canonical literature, this

course examines a diverse collection of texts, ranging from works like Hurston’s “Their Eyes Were Watching God,” Momaday’s “The Ancient Child,” and Allende’s “The House of Spirits” to works by less-familiar authors like Lu Xun, Naguib Mahfouz, and Oe Kenzaburo.

3 Credit Hours

EP394 Shakespeare

Second Term—Prerequisite: PY201.

EP394 surveys representative Shakespearean plays, including great tragedies, histories, and comedies. Study stresses the nature of Shakespeare’s genius and the relation of his works to the cultures of all ages.

3 Credit Hours

EP433 Senior Seminar

First Term—Prerequisite: Standing as a First Class cadet.

This integrative course develops an archetypal concept that crosses disciplinary boundaries and promotes a synthesis of aspects of the core curriculum. It contributes to the overarching goal of helping cadets “to anticipate and respond effectively to the uncertainties of a changing technological, social, political, and economic world.” Archetype subjects will incorporate insights

from both the sciences and the humanities, with emphasis on manifestations of the archetype in art, philosophy, and literature. The seminar will typically integrate art, technology, and language. Archetypal themes – the organizing element for the course that will change periodically – might be selected from the following possibilities: the warrior, the bridge, the city, the alien, the ship, and the prison.

3 Credit Hours

EP487 Senior Thesis I

First Term—Prerequisite: Standing as a First Class cadet.

This course permits cadets with the requisite energy and talent to initiate a yearlong project requiring in depth research that culminates in a substantial thesis of high scholarly quality.

3 Credit Hours

EP488 Senior Thesis II

Second Term—Prerequisite: EP487.

This course permits cadets to complete a yearlong project requiring research in depth that culminates in a substantial thesis of high scholarly quality.

3 Credit Hours





The Department of Foreign Languages (DFL) offers the opportunity to develop strong foundations in one or more of eight foreign languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. These are among the most-commonly spoken languages in the world. Computer-assisted language learning activities are fully integrated into the department's academic program. All of DFL's languages have cadet-led clubs that sponsor extra- and co-curricular events to strengthen cadets' language skills and cultural



competencies. DFL also offers three programs to enhance cadets' foreign language skills through language studies and cultural excursions abroad: The Foreign Academy Exchange Program (FAEP) is a one-week program that provides cadets a language-based military and cultural experience while building ties with a foreign service academy; Academic Individual Advanced Development (AIAD) is a three-week summer immersion program; and the Semester Abroad Program (SAP) affords cadets the opportunity to study at a foreign military academy or civilian university. While participating in these three programs, nearly 250 cadets recently traveled to more than 30 countries, including Argentina, Chile, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Morocco, Russia, Taiwan, and Senegal.

Foreign Languages Major

The study of languages permits access to the minds, to the literature, and to the recorded knowledge of peoples of foreign cultures. Language is the repository of a people's common experience and collective values. Proficiency in foreign languages is a most valuable skill for Army officers, of great practical use both professionally and personally. Cadets may study Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, or Spanish – some of the most important languages of the modern world. They may study a single foreign language or a combination of any two languages.

The primary emphasis in all courses is to develop listening and speaking abilities. Traditional study methods are complemented with technology-mediated learning activities. Advanced-level language study includes courses on the media and military readings, as well as on civilization, culture, and literature.

Foreign Area Studies Major

A Foreign Area Studies major is offered to cadets interested in pursuing an interdisciplinary course of study focusing on Africa, East Asia, Eurasia, Europe, Latin America, or the Middle East. Cadets choosing one of these area programs will study the peoples, societies, languages, cultures, geography, history, foreign relations, politics, and economics of a particular region. Cadets will have the opportunity to study in depth the factors that frequently determine national objectives and influence the formulation of governmental policy.

The Foreign Area Studies program is designed to develop cadets' abilities to assess and interpret the relationships and importance – both present and future – of these regions to the United States. This multidimensional academic program requires cadets to synthesize and analyze knowledge from a variety of disciplines. As a result, cadets who select this academic major will gain the intellectual background and personal insights indispensable to effective and rewarding service in the globally committed US Army.

Standard (Beginning) Courses

In the beginning course sequence, cadets acquire a basic proficiency in speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills in a second language. Learning activities focus on situations cadets are likely to encounter in the country or region where the language is spoken. Cadets learn how to express simple ideas and basic needs, to comprehend the language in everyday contexts, and to read simplified written texts and, later, brief, authentic pieces. Cadets read and discuss items of culture and history and acquire a command of basic vocabulary.

LA203-204 Arabic

LC203-204 Chinese

LF203-204 French

LG203-204 German

LP203-204 Portuguese

LR203-204 Russian

LS203-204 Spanish

LZ203-204 Persian

*First Term, 203 courses;
Second Term, 204 courses—
Prerequisites: None.*

7 Credit Hours (3.5 each term)

Elective Courses

Odd-numbered electives are usually first-term courses, while even-numbered courses are generally second-term courses. A considerable portion of the 400-level electives are normally offered on alternate years.

Intermediate Language

LA361-362 Intermediate Arabic

LC361-362 Intermediate Chinese

LF361-362 Intermediate French

LG361-362 Intermediate German

LP361-362 Intermediate Portuguese

LR361-362 Intermediate Russian

LS361-362 Intermediate Spanish

Prerequisite: The 204 course in the appropriate language or advanced placement.

In these courses cadets acquire those skills necessary to communicate effectively in the target language and to pursue advanced-level courses. Cadets develop speaking skills that enable them to engage in conversations on a variety of topics with other class members and with native speakers who are used to dealing with language learners. They learn to comprehend the spoken language well enough to grasp the main ideas and some details on familiar topics. Reading proficiency is enhanced by reading brief, authentic texts and responding to them orally. Writing skills are developed by writing short paragraphs or compositions. Through a variety of language-learning activities, cadets gain greater understanding of the culture and history of the country or region in which the language is spoken.

3 Credit Hours

Linguistics

LN380 The Nature of Modern Languages

Prerequisite: None.

Cadets examine languages such as those taught at West Point from the perspective of linguists, teachers, and Army officers. Topics include the origin of and the basis for language, the nature of grammar, language sounds, the phenomenon of meaning, and how language attains communication. Knowledge gained is frequently interdisciplinary and relevant to courses offered at West Point in psychology, communication, English, and foreign languages.

3 Credit Hours



Media

- LA385 The Media in Arabic**
- LC385 The Media in Chinese**
- LF385 Advanced French through the Media**
- LG385 Advanced German through the Media**
- LP385 Advanced Portuguese through the Media**
- LR385 Advanced Russian through the Media**
- LS385 Advanced Spanish through the Media**

Prerequisite: LX362 (Intermediate) or departmental permission.

Cadets reinforce and expand their listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills by working with selected authentic media, e.g., television, radio, film, video, newspapers, and periodicals. Cultural competence is further developed by exploring topics that focus on current issues and everyday life.

3 Credit Hours

Military Readings

- LA386 Military Readings in Arabic**
- LC386 Military Readings in Chinese**
- LF386 Military Readings in French**
- LG386 Military Readings in German**
- LP386 Military Readings in Portuguese**
- LR386 Military Readings in Russian**

LS386 Military Readings in Spanish

Prerequisite: LX385 (Media) or departmental permission.

Cadets gain an overview of the culture and Profession of Arms by reading and discussing selected materials, e.g., journal articles, training manuals, biographies, or other historical documents focused on military operations or activities. The course presents a balanced distribution of topics that may encompass the training, operations, tactics, and organization of the Armed Forces.

3 Credit Hours

Civilization

- LA483-484 Arab Civilization I and II**
- LC483-484 Chinese Civilization I and II**
- LF483-484 French Civilization I and II**
- LG483-484 German Civilization I and II**
- LP482 Civilization of the Portuguese-Speaking World**
- LR483-484 Russian Civilization I and II**
- LS483 Spanish Civilization and Culture**
- LS484 Spanish-American Civilization and Culture**

Prerequisite: LX385 (Media) or departmental permission.

Cadets study the culture, history, and geography from the beginnings to the present day. Readings, lectures, discussions, and audiovisual materials encompass the civilization's representative artistic and intellectual accomplishments, its present-day political institutions, economy, and popular culture. In addition, the course focuses on the values and attitudes, the customs and traditions, and social structures.

3 Credit Hours

Literature Surveys

- LF485-486 Survey of French Literature I and II**
- LG485-486 Survey of German Literature I and II**
- LP492 The Literature of the Portuguese-Speaking World**
- LR485-486 Survey of Russian Literature I and II**
- LS485 Spanish-American Literature to 1950**
- LS486 The Literature of Spain**

Prerequisite: LX385 (Media) or departmental permission.

Cadets gain basic competence in the knowledge and comprehension of representative literary works and their relationships to the cultural context in society from the beginnings to the present day. Selected examples of various literary genres are read, discussed, and analyzed. At the same time, cadets continue to develop greater language proficiency. Video and film presentations supplement readings, where possible.

3 Credit Hours

LA472 Colloquial Arabic

Prerequisite: LA385 or departmental permission.

Cadets are introduced to the dialect of a particular Arab country. Oral proficiency gained in this course is complementary to previously learned modern standard Arabic.

3 Credit Hours

LF492 Masterworks of French Literature

Prerequisite: LF385 or departmental permission.

Cadets develop competence in the knowledge and comprehension of representative French literary works and their relationships to the cultural context of French society. Selected examples of various literary genres that focus on events pertaining to the two world wars, conflicts in the former French colonies, and other experiences are read, discussed, and analyzed. A majority of the work is done in French.

3 Credit Hours

LG492 Twentieth Century Germany

Prerequisite: LG385 or departmental permission.

Cadets develop competence in the knowledge and comprehension of representative German literary works and their relationships to the cultural context of German society. Selected examples of various literary genres that focus on the experiences of the two world wars, a divided nation, and reunification are read, discussed, and analyzed. A majority of the work is done in German.

3 Credit Hours



LP481 Short Story in Portuguese

Prerequisite: LP385 or departmental permission.

Cadets gain basic competence in the knowledge and comprehension of representative Brazilian and Portuguese short stories and of their relationship to the cultural contexts of Brazilian and Portuguese society. At the same time, cadets continue to develop greater language proficiency. A majority of the work is done in Portuguese.

3 Credit Hours

LR492 Russian Life in Fiction

Prerequisite: LR385 or departmental permission.

Cadets develop competence in the knowledge and comprehension of representative Russian literary works and their relationships to the cultural context of Russian society. Selected examples of various literary genres are read, discussed, and analyzed. At the same time, cadets continue to develop greater language proficiency in the Russian language. A majority of the work is done in Russian.

3 Credit Hours

LS492 Spanish-American Literature from 1950-Present

Prerequisite: LS385 or departmental permission.

Cadets gain basic competence in the knowledge and comprehension of representative literary works and their relationships to the Latin American context. Selected examples of various literary genres are read, discussed, and analyzed. At the same time, cadets continue to develop greater language proficiency. A majority of the work is done in Spanish.

3 Credit Hours

LN482H Spoken Hebrew

Prerequisite: Completion of requirements in foreign languages.

Cadets develop entry-level oral proficiency in Hebrew, the ability to read printed Hebrew for all vocabulary covered, and the ability to write sentences in Hebrew. Most of the course work will be oral.

3 Credit Hours

LN400 Language in Context

Prerequisite: LX204 or departmental permission.

Cadets travel to selected sites where cultural and linguistic immersion is an opportunity. Cadets engage in structured activities and instruction in the target language. They visit sites of cultural and historical significance and pursue a program of learning approved by the Department of Foreign Languages.

1.5 – 3 Credit Hours

LN487-488 Advanced Individual Study in Foreign Languages

Prerequisite: Cadet must be enrolled in a single or double language major and receive departmental approval.

These courses are available only to exceptionally motivated and qualified cadets who have exhausted all other language-specific courses and who wish to pursue a special field of interest in language, linguistics, or a language-related field. The minimum completion requirement is a term paper based on individual research on a topic upon which instructor and cadet have agreed.

3 Credit Hours

“Own only what you can carry with you; know language, know countries, know people. Let your memory be your travel bag.”

Alexander Solzhenitsyn



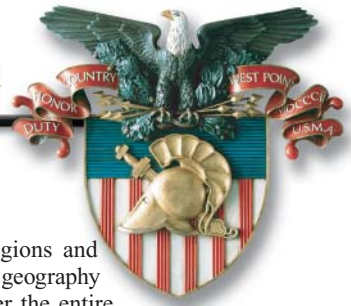
“A different language is a different vision of life.”

Federico Fellini





The Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering empowers cadets with an understanding of our Earth, its people, and how they interact. This understanding begins in our core physical geography course, EV203, where cadets learn to apply the basic sciences of the core curriculum to the study of the Earth's surface and atmosphere. Understanding the forces that shape the landscape, how weather and climate impact human activities, and how all these factors affect human endeavors is essential for tomorrow's successful Army officer.



Academic majors offered in the department cover the continuum of disciplines that describe the human interaction with the environment and how we can protect our fragile environment from the harmful impacts of a burgeoning population. Cadets learn to apply the laws of science governing physical and human processes to understand and solve modern problems facing the military and civilian worlds, while sustaining the quality of our environment. Majors include Human Geography, Environmental Geography, Environmental Science, Geospatial Information Science, and the ABET Environmental Engineering major. Additionally, the Environmental Engineering sequence offers an opportunity for cadets interested in the environment to learn about key issues while completing their core engineering sequence requirement. Tools such as satellite imagery, global positioning systems, and geographic information systems are available in our state-of-the-art Geographic Sciences Laboratory. The department also operates world-class environmental analysis and environmental engineering laboratories.

Majors

The Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering offers majors in both Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS), and Mathematics, Science, and Engineering (MSE) disciplines. HSS programs include Human Geography. Environmental Geography bridges the gap between HSS and MSE programs. The department also participates in interdisciplinary programs focused on Foreign Area Studies (East Asia, Eastern Europe, Western Europe, Latin America, or the Middle East). The department's MSE programs include Environmental Science, Environmental Engineering, and Geospatial Information Science. In addition, the department offers an Environmental Engineering core engineering sequence, one of seven such sequences offered by West Point, from which each cadet must choose one. The goal of the Environmental Engineering sequence is to develop critical-thinking and problem-solving skills through the analysis and solution

of complex environmental issues. Cadets develop solutions to environmental problems through the use of mathematics, science, and the application of technology. All of the department's programs of study include technical support from superior undergraduate laboratory facilities for cartography, geology, remote sensing, photogrammetry, environmental analysis, surveying, and geographic information systems. Course work in all majors has direct application to all Army branches and supports future graduate-level studies applicable to the Army in geography, in several engineering fields, and in the physical and social sciences.

Human Geography: The Human Geography major focuses on cultural, economic, demographic, and political patterns of human activity. Approaching the study of the Earth as social scientists, human geographers try to understand not only patterns of human activity, but also the processes that create them. The major emphasizes an understanding

of the Earth's regions and offers six regional geography courses that cover the entire planet. In addition, the program offers courses in urban geography and land-use planning, as well as systematic courses in geography that teach cadets how to look critically at the world and solve problems they will experience during their careers. Because geography is, by nature, an interdisciplinary undertaking, cadets are encouraged to sample from programs outside the department. This is a great major for any cadet interested in international issues, culture, development, urban or regional planning, or study of a particular area of the globe.

Geospatial Information Science: The United States Department of Labor has identified geospatial information science as one of the top-three growth industries in the United States for the next decade. This is a relatively new discipline that focuses on spatial information, i.e., information that has a location. Location is the main factor used to integrate a very wide range of data for visualization and analysis. As almost all information has some type of location, the varieties of information and applications with which the geospatial information scientist is involved are extremely varied. Geospatial information scientists design, develop, and operate systems for collecting and analyzing spatial information about the land, the oceans, natural resources, and the environment. These activities include, but are not limited to, cartography, GPS surveying, digital mapping, geographic information systems (GIS), land information management, land surveying, photogrammetry, and remote sensing.

The Geospatial Information Science curriculum includes specialized courses in surveying, cartography, photogrammetry, remote sensing, advanced remote sensing, geographic information systems, advanced geographic information systems, and geospatial military operations. Cadets are also given the opportunity to select two classes from a broad list of elective courses. No restrictions are placed on the selection of a core engineering sequence. The curriculum culminates with the integration of all forms of geospatial data acquisition and synthesis techniques in an integrative experience focusing on military applications. An honors program in Geospatial Information Science is also offered. Both the civil and military sectors of our society are placing ever-increasing reliance on the ability to build and query geospatial information databases to support a myriad of social/economic and engineering issues. The cadet at West Point has a rare opportunity to pursue an integrated major that other academic institutions commonly spread over several separate disciplines. This major has applicability for the future military officer regardless of branch. The curriculum prepares cadets for advanced civil schooling in any of the specialized fields of geospatial information science.

Environmental Geography: Geography is the study of the variable character of the surface of the Earth as the home of humanity. Environmental Geography is the branch of geography that specifically examines the interactions between people and their environments. Whereas physical geographers focus on the Earth's surface and the atmosphere, human geographers concentrate on the spatial aspect of human activities. Environmental geographers are interested in both how people adapt to specific environments and how they alter their environments through their activities.

To understand these interactions and their implications, environmental geographers must fully appreciate natural processes within and on the surface of the Earth. Environmental geographers investigate how and why the Earth's surface changes from day to day, year to year, and over geologic time. The environmental geographer examines the physical processes by which landforms develop, as well as the implications of human intervention in natural systems. Army officers are intimately concerned with the geographic variability of landforms, for it is the surface of the planet that forms the natural template on which military operations are conducted.

Environmental Science: The relationship between modern society and our Earth's environment is controlled by both our nearly insatiable desire for natural resources and the basic laws of science. The study of environmental science prepares one to analyze and sustain our environment as it responds to the pressures created by technological development and population growth. The goal of this program is to develop knowledge of the physical sciences that govern the Earth's environment through core science experiences in chemistry and physics with additional basic sciences that include biology, ecology, geology, and meteorology.

This scientific background prepares one to be an effective future leader and problem-solver who can balance finite resources with human needs. In the end, an environmental scientist is charged with deciphering how ecosystems respond to human interaction. This understanding is critical in developing responsible environmental stewardship.

Environmental Engineering: The construction of engineered works that protect human health spans more than two millennia beginning with the construction of aqueducts by the ancient Romans to provide water for their growing cities. From that beginning through the pioneering link of disease to the environment by Dr. John Snow in London in 1854, to the design of modern pollution-control facilities, Environmental Engineering continues to play a major role in our world.

The practice of modern environmental engineering seeks to solve problems involving the removal of existing pollution and the prevention of future contamination of Earth. In search of these solutions, the scope of environmental engineering has expanded to include all three media of our planet: water, soil, and air. Today the practice of environmental engineering is a "cutting



edge" discipline, which applies the concepts of geographical information systems (GIS), remote sensing, biology, microbiology, meteorology, geology, hydrology, chemistry, thermodynamics, fluid mechanics, mathematics, and physics. Development of "problem-solving" skills, as employed in environmental engineering, has wide application for an Army officer.

The technical aspects of environmental protection and pollution prevention apply to daily activities in drinking water, agriculture, sewage and solid waste disposal, hazardous materials handling and disposal, and new equipment development and procurement. These applications are not limited to training in the United States, but also apply to operations other than war such as disaster assistance and peacekeeping.

The United States Military Academy Environmental Engineering Program is accredited by the ABET, Inc. (111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202-4012 – telephone: [410] 347-7700) and leads to a Professional Engineering license. Before graduation, cadets have the opportunity to take the Fundamentals of Engineering Examination (FEE) and complete the first step toward licensure. The overall success rate for West Point environmental engineers is much higher than the national average.

The objectives of the Environmental Engineering Program identify what our graduates can do several years after graduation. Graduates of the Environmental Engineering Program can:

- Analyze and solve complex problems. Graduates can apply their knowledge of mathematics, science, engineering, and the humanities to analyze and solve practical problems to include those in Environmental Engineering. They can evaluate, mitigate, and communicate risk. They can use appropriate technologies to formulate effective, context-based courses of action; adapt methods and strategies to overcome incomplete or imperfect information; and recommend or

choose a best course of action. Graduates can creatively adapt problem-solving strategies and solutions to a rapidly changing and/or potentially life threatening situations. Problem solving is not bounded by disciplinary expertise. Graduates may encounter problems within the environmental engineering discipline, or within the broader context of officership in the profession of arms.

- Lead, manage, and execute. Graduates can lead people, manage resources and programs, prioritize activities, and execute projects within constraints to successfully complete the mission within the environmental field and the Army. Graduates must be able to execute an array of missions efficiently while minimizing environmental impacts. Potential missions include actions in combat, homeland security, disaster relief, humanitarian aid, and other operations under austere conditions.
- Communicate effectively. Graduates have the ability to listen to, understand, and assess varying viewpoints and can, based on this assessment, communicate pertinent information to stakeholders and the general public in such a manner as to bridge their differences and strengthen relationships among them.
- Recognize their roles as a professional. Graduates have internalized their professional responsibilities to society, the profession of arms, and the practice of engineering. They demonstrate internalization through participation in professional societies, continuing education, and successful progression in assignments, community outreach, and other activities.

Environmental Engineering Sequence: The environmental engineering three-course sequence provides cadets an opportunity to think critically about topical environmental issues and to identify engineering solutions that protect human health and the environment. These issues and their solutions take in to account social, political and



economic concerns and are excellent preparation for decision-making in an uncertain world. The Army is a trusted steward of the environment and cadets who participate in the environmental engineering sequence will gain a better appreciation of the environmental ethos and the importance of safeguarding the health of their Soldiers.

Summary: The strength of the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering stems from the synergy created by the multidisciplinary expertise of the department faculty. Cadets who choose to major in our department can build an area of expertise in Human Geography, Environmental Geography, Geospatial Information Science, Environmental Science, or Environmental Engineering, in addition to acquiring a robust foundation in the Humanities, Social Sciences, Mathematics, and Physical Sciences, afforded by the West Point core curriculum.

Standard Course

EV203 Physical Geography

Either Term—Prerequisite: MS102.

Physical Geography is a core course that provides cadets with a fundamental understanding of the scientific principles and processes of earth science, meteorology, climatology, geomorphology, and environmental systems, as well as an introduction to culture. Further, the course furnishes cadets with the geospatial analytical skills – digital terrain analysis, image interpretation and spectral analysis, remote sensing, global positioning systems, geographic information systems, cartography – to delineate the geographic distribution of landforms, weather, climate, and culture systems and evaluate their potential impact on military operations. Lessons are reinforced by extensive use of in- and out-of-class practical exercises, terrain walks, and computer exercises to demonstrate the interrelationship between physical and human systems, and their impact on the environment. Historical vignettes are employed to demonstrate how the factors of weather, climate, terrain, soils, vegetation, and culture are important, cogent, and frequently decisive in military operations.

3 Credit Hours

Elective Courses

EV300 Environmental Science

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

As the introductory course to the Environmental Engineering Sequence, EV300 provides the cadet with a broad understanding of current global and local environmental issues. It specifically focuses on natural ecosystems processes, the effects of pollution on human health and how the level of risk associated with this pollution is assessed, the environmental effects of energy use, and air pollution concerns, such as global climate change, acid rain, and smog. Discussions of anthropogenic influences are conducted with consideration of social, economic, technological, and political impacts. Cadets learn to evaluate literature on environmental issues through readings and interactive debates. A course project applying the scientific method to evaluate a current environmental problem provides an opportunity to tie multiple course topics with an in-depth study of an issue of interest.

3 Credit Hours

EV301 Environmental Science for Engineers and Scientists

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course is similar to EV300 except that the context of discussion in EV301 is appropriate for cadets who have elected to major in science or engineering. EV301 provides the cadet with a broad understanding of current global and local environmental issues. It specifically focuses on natural ecosystems processes, the effects of pollution on human health and how the level of risk associated with this pollution is assessed, the environmental effects of energy use, and air pollution concerns, such as global climate change, acid rain, and smog. Discussions of anthropogenic influences are conducted with consideration of social, economic, technological, and political impacts. Cadets learn to evaluate literature on environmental issues through readings and interactive debates. A course project applying the scientific method to evaluate a current environmental problem provides an opportunity to tie multiple course topics with an in-depth study of an issue of interest.

3 Credit Hours



EV303 Foundations in Geography

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course presents the basic concepts, theories, and methods of inquiry in the discipline of geography as a foundation for advanced study in Human/Regional Geography and Environmental Geography. The course includes models and concepts from the many sub-disciplinary (systematic) areas of geography, including cultural, historical, economic, urban, political, and military geography. Cadets learn research skills and techniques used by professional geographers to spatially analyze and map the distribution of human and environmental phenomena.

3 Credit Hours

EV350 Environmental Technologies

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203, CH102/CH152, MA205, and EV300/EV301.

This second course in the Environmental Engineering sequence builds on environmental issues introduced in EV300/EV301 and further explores environmental engineering from a unit process and materials balance approach. Analyzing water (transport, quality, drinking water treatment, and wastewater treatment); air (transport, quality, and pollutant minimization); and pollutant management (solid and hazardous wastes), the cadet is exposed to the breadth of the environmental discipline. A laboratory experience is integral to the course. In the laboratory, physical, chemical, and biological quality are discussed and measured. An introductory environmental engineering design project on river water quality is developed within the semester.

3 Credit Hours

EV365 Geography of Global Cultures

Either Term – Prerequisite: EV203.

This course presents an introduction to all regions of the world and provides a geographic foundation for further study in humanities and social science courses through concepts in cultural and political geography. Topics addressed in each region include cultural patterns and conflicts, population patterns, political geography, and how humans have modified the physical landscape. In addition to examining the world region by region, the course introduces cadets to tools of geographical analysis that can be applied to new situations in the future.

3 Credit Hours

EV371 Geography of Russia

First Term—Prerequisite: EV365.

This course examines the political, economic, and cultural geography of Russia and its adjacent neighbors: the Baltic States, East Central European Region, Transcaucasia, and Central Asia. Topics covered include: the Commonwealth of Independent States, ecocide in the former Soviet Union, disposition of the former Soviet military, and ethnic rivalries. The objective of the course is to provide the cadet with an understanding of the recent past of the traditional Soviet system in order to understand, as well as geographically evaluate, Russia's and the other former republics' situations today.

3 Credit Hours

EV372 Geography of Asia

First Term—Prerequisite: EV365.

The course studies the physical and cultural environment of Asia with emphasis on those geographic elements related to the region's progress, developing nations, and emerging world and regional powers. Topics covered include a consideration of the physical and resource base, environmental and cultural factors, spatial organization of agricultural and industrial economies, population patterns and problems, and examination of the realm's several major subregions.

3 Credit Hours

EV373 Geography of Latin America

First Term—Prerequisite: EV365.

This course examines the natural and cultural environment of Latin America, giving special treatment to both geographical diversity and regional identity. Topics include the regional characteristics of climate, physiography, and resources; the historical geographical significance of the European colonial period; and contemporary cultural landscapes, such as agriculture, industrial activity, population dynamics, and the pattern of isolated nodal regions.

3 Credit Hours

EV377 Remote Sensing

Either Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course examines the fundamental techniques and significance of the various technologies of remote sensing. Cadets derive meaningful information from a variety of remotely sensed data, including aerial photography, radar, and satellite multi-spectral imagery. Laboratory sessions supplement classroom instruction.

3 Credit Hours

EV378 Cartography

First Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and CS105.

This course applies available mapping and cartographic display techniques as tools for studies in the social/behavioral sciences and engineering fields using the expanding technology of computer graphics. The course makes extensive use of the Geographic Sciences Laboratory.

3 Credit Hours





EV379 Photogrammetry

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and CS105.

EV379 introduces the art and science of obtaining reliable measurements from aerial photography. It examines the applicability of aerial photography to the military, as well as its utility in several engineering and scientific fields. Laboratory sessions supplement classroom discussions.

3 Credit Hours

EV380 Surveying

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

A framework for understanding and applying practical surveying methods is developed. Consideration of error theory and the concepts of precision and accuracy yields understanding of the probabilistic nature of measurements. The principles of differential leveling, taping, electronic distance measurement, and angular measurement are studied and applied using state-of-the-art surveying equipment and software tools. Plane surveys are principally explored, although the fundamentals of geodetic surveys are also presented. Traverse, triangulation, trilateration, level networks, and the proper adjustment of related measurements are examined. Control survey, land survey, topographic survey, horizontal and vertical curve design, computer-aided mapping, and GIS applications are included. Extensive use of laboratory periods permits application of surveying fundamentals, methods, and planning skills to actual field situations. The principles of the global positioning system are explored, and applications in the Army and surveying are applied in the final lab exercise.

3.5 Credit Hours

EV384 Geography of North America

First Term—Prerequisite: EV365.

This course examines the natural and cultural environment of North America. It analyzes significant geographical aspects of the historic settlement process, contemporary population movements, and the agricultural and urban-industrial patterns that illuminate the diverse yet cohesive regional mosaic of the United States and Canada.

3 Credit Hours

EV385 Introduction to Environmental Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisites: CH102/CH152 and MA205/MA255. **Corequisite:** PH204/PH254.

This course introduces cadets to the study of environmental engineering from a unit process and a materials balance approach. The focus is design-oriented problem solving to protect human health and the health of ecosystems using fundamental physical, chemical, and biological processes. The concept and calculation of risk are introduced as key factors in environmental decision-making. Through the study of contaminant removal from water and air to integrated management techniques for solid/hazardous wastes and ionizing radiation, the cadet is exposed to the breadth of the discipline. In the laboratory, the science behind physical, chemical, and biological processes is applied to the engineering discipline. A military-oriented design problem allows application of engineered solutions to topical water- and air-quality issues.

3.5 Credit Hours

EV386 Geography of Europe

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV365.

This course examines the natural and cultural environment of Europe, focusing on the environmental and cultural diversity exhibited among the various modern states of the continent. West and East European agricultural/industrial resource bases and developmental strategies are compared and contrasted. Specific topics cover current issues, including geopolitical implications for European security, economic development and trade, and the problems of energy and the environment.

3 Credit Hours

EV387 Meteorology

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course provides an introduction to meteorological processes, systems, and patterns with emphasis on spatial distribution and relationships to geographical features. Cadets examine the structure of the atmosphere including the energy budget, heat transfer mechanisms, and daily and seasonal patterns of temperature. They study atmospheric moisture and stability, cloud and precipitation processes, small- and local-scale wind systems, and the general circulation of the planet. Specific phenomena, including mid-latitude cyclones, thunderstorms/lightning, tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, hurricanes, and air pollution, are also covered, including a brief look at climate and climate change. The end of the course focuses on the art and science of weather forecasting and its applicability to military operations.

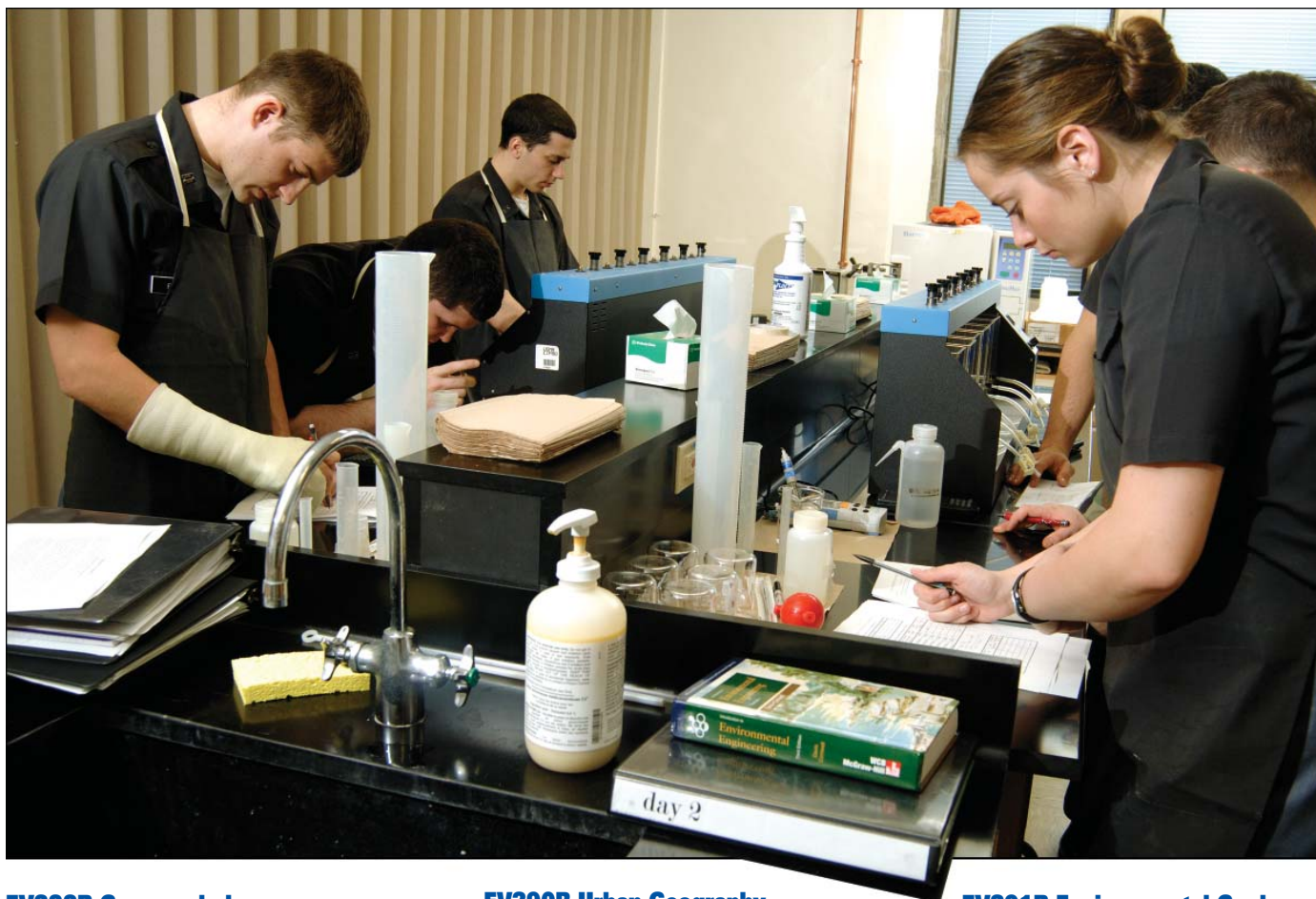
3 Credit Hours

EV388A Physical Geology

Either Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

Primary emphasis in this course is placed on understanding and interpreting the significant geologic processes that act on and within Earth. Topics studied include the formation and identification of minerals and rocks, plate tectonics rock structures, geologic mapping, and elements of economic geology. Field trips are conducted to illustrate concepts and processes discussed in class. The capstone of this course is a geologic design that uses an interactive geologic exploration computer simulation. The cadet designs a geologic exploration project and develops a program for remediation of an environmental problem.

3 Credit Hours



EV388B Geomorphology

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

Geomorphology focuses on the processes that sculpt our landscape and the resultant assemblages of landforms that are unique to geographic regions. In this course, cadets are exposed to the dynamic nature of the surface of Earth as well as the implications of contemporary problems such as acid rain, global warming, global sea-level rise, and land degradation. The course employs both descriptive and quantitative techniques to examine the balance between tectonic activity and subsequent modification of landforms by weathering, erosion, and deposition. Classroom experiences are reinforced by a wide variety of laboratory exercises and field trips.

3 Credit Hours

EV389B Climatology

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course investigates Earth's atmospheric phenomena, giving special attention to the dynamic physical processes that produce weather and result in distinctive climates. It examines the concepts of climate classification and analyzes regional climatic types. It includes case studies of urban microclimates, attendant problems of atmospheric pollution, and scientific efforts to alter the weather.

3 Credit Hours

EV390B Urban Geography

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV365.

This course examines, from a geographic perspective, the location, function, structure, growth, and interaction of urban areas. Spatial techniques are utilized to explore the city as a system, as well as its connectivity to a larger urban network. The primary focus is on urbanization in North America; however, cadets also study non-Western examples for comparative purposes.

3 Credit Hours

EV391A Land-Use Planning and Management

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course is an introduction to land-use planning, focusing on the geographic and institutional dimensions of land use. Study includes surveys of the policy and legislative basis for land-use controls at the urban and regional level and reviews of current issues, such as controlled growth, zoning, and other land-use management techniques. It emphasizes geographic concepts in the conduct of case studies of contemporary planning problems.

3 Credit Hours

EV391B Environmental Geology

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course focuses on natural phenomena that pose hazards to people. The cause, nature, and occurrence frequency of natural hazards, such as flooding, earthquakes, hurricanes, and volcanic activity, will be examined. Emphasis will also be placed on how people perceive and respond to these hazards. Land-use policies and practices in these hazard areas will also receive attention. Cadets will participate in map-based laboratory exercises and have the opportunity to write a short paper advising a government official how to mitigate local geohazards.

3 Credit Hours

EV394 Hydrogeology

First Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

Hydrogeology covers the principles governing the movement of subterranean water (groundwater), the interaction of this water with a porous medium, and the transport of chemical constituents (contaminants) by this flow. This course explores traditional background elements of hydraulic engineering, well drawdown, engineering applications, and the use of computers to model groundwater flow and contaminant plumes. All course material will contribute to modeling a specific situation and developing recommendations for cleaning up contaminated groundwater.

3.5 Credit Hours



EV396 Environmental Biological Systems

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203, CH102/CH152, and EV300/EV301/EV385.

This course examines biology from a practical environmental engineering and environmental science perspective. The foci of the course are applied public health, microbiology, and microbial energetics. Specific topics include the biological health issues associated with drinking water, microbial aspects of industrial and domestic waste treatment, and protection or restoration of natural water bodies from environmental contaminants. Cadets are also introduced to medical geography and the spatial biological health issues associated with a deployment. Laboratory exercises are used to introduce the cadet to water quality analyses and practices commonly used in the fields of environmental engineering and the environmental sciences.

3.5 Credit Hours

EV397 Air Pollution Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course employs a design approach to air pollution control. It begins by defining air pollution problems, including pollutant types, sources, legislation, and effects on both local and global scales. The course then examines the design of various means of controlling particulate and gaseous air pollution from both mobile and stationary sources. Finally, students study the link between meteorology and air pollution, as well as pollutant dispersion modeling in the atmosphere. The culminating course project involves a numerical approach to dispersion modeling using IT resources that incorporate modeling and solution optimization.

3 Credit Hours

EV398 Geographic Information Systems

Second Term – Prerequisite: EV203.

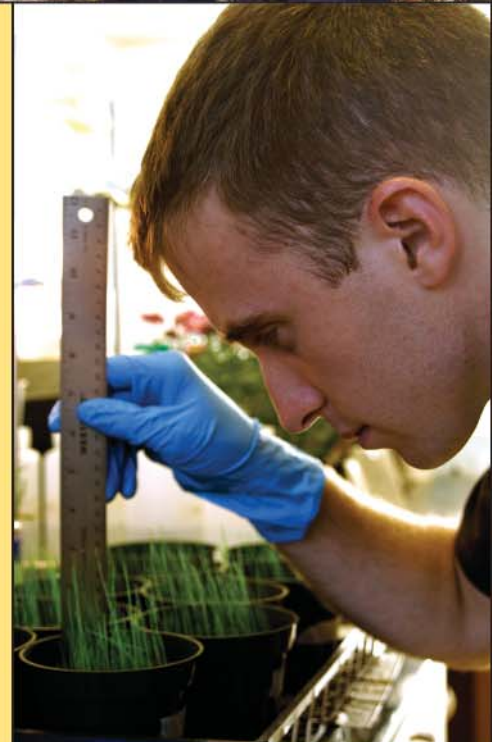
The Geographic Information Systems (GIS) course explores, through a hands-on approach, the science behind the map. Cadets learn fundamental geospatial concepts and use professional GIS software to model complex geographic phenomena and solve real-world problems. The course begins by exploring the various geospatial modeling processes, considering the theory behind coordinate systems, and introducing the basics of geovisualization. This is followed by an in-depth look into raster and vector data models. Cadets study various geodata collection techniques, including collecting field data with GPS and survey equipment, integrating and digitizing of remote sensed imagery, and finding and integrating other forms of geodata. Cadets learn various geospatial analysis methodologies, including distance measurements, buffer, overlays, geospatial interpolation, routing, and multi-criteria models. Computer laboratory exercises are used throughout the course to explore and reinforce concepts.

3 Credit Hours



“Military operations are drastically affected by many considerations, one of the most important of which is the geography of the region.”

General Dwight David Eisenhower



EV399A Geology Field Course

Third Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

The Geology Field Course is a summer Individual Advanced Development Program normally run in early June. It is taught in a hands-on manner in various geologically appropriate settings throughout the United States. Geologic concepts are presented outdoors in the field where cadets can actively observe them. The course provides the cadet with knowledge of and appreciation for the science of geology, as well as practical experience in field observations and an intimate look at how geology affects human civilization.

3 Credit Hours

EV400 Environmental Engineering Seminar

Second Term—Corequisite: EV490.

This seminar will meet once each week and will include all First Class cadets majoring in environmental engineering. The seminar topics will address a variety of fundamental engineering science, design, and professional practice topics including engineering ethics, economics, and licensing. Periodically, guest lecturers from the military, industrial, and academic communities will provide their perspectives on these topics.

1 Credit Hour

EV401 Physical and Chemical Treatment

Second Term—Prerequisite: XS391.

This course takes a process approach to environmental engineering using engineering science and design of drinking water treatment systems as the primary foci. Building upon understandings gained from environmental chemistry, cadets will study physical and chemical processes used in environmental engineering. Discussion includes the theories behind these processes and the design procedures involved in their application. The health implications associated with drinking water and water treatment in contingency operations and applicable occupational health issues are discussed during the course. Cadets, working in teams, develop a comprehensive concept design of drinking water treatment processes. While the focus of the course is drinking water treatment, the processes developed are also applicable to wastewater treatment, groundwater remediation, air pollution control, and solid and hazardous wastes treatment.

3.5 Credit Hours



EV402 Biochemical Treatment

Second Term—Prerequisites: ME311 and EV396.

This course provides cadets with the opportunity to apply the principles of microbiology to the protection and improvement of the environment. This course builds on the concepts learned in EV396 Environmental Biological Systems, and directly applies those concepts to the treatment of wastewater, removal of nutrients from wastewater, anaerobic digestion, bioremediation, industrial waste treatment, and emerging applications of biological treatment and modeling. A comprehensive, multi-step design project serves as the design experience for this course.

3.5 Credit Hours

EV450 Environmental Decision Making

First Term—Prerequisites: EV350 and standing as a First Class cadet.

This is the third course in the three-course Environmental Engineering sequence and is concerned with the balance of engineered solutions with economic, socio-cultural, political, and ecological considerations evaluated during a decision-making process. Using management of water resources as a teaching model, the realities of decision-making and policy development for all areas of engineering, and particularly environmental engineering, are examined. The course begins with instruction on the tools available to water resource managers, including both structural (engineered) and non-structural approaches to solving water resource problems. Elements of engineering design and the design process are introduced as well as methods of conducting tradeoff analyses. The course makes use of case studies of current water resource projects and includes a term project. Visiting speakers present views of government and concerned public-interest groups.

3 Credit Hours

EV471 Ecology

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and CH375 or CH385.

This course examines ecosystems through the study of ecological principles related to an organism's relationship to its environment, community, and ecosystem. Species, population, community, and ecosystem level interactions and dynamics are emphasized. The fundamental influences of energy flow and material cycling are examined, as well as the unique role of wetlands within ecosystems. The course includes several field trips, which lead to a culminating term project designed to integrate previously acquired environmental science technical skills and ecological principles.

3 Credit Hours

EV477 Advanced Remote Sensing

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and EV377.

The emphasis of this course is on the processing and analysis of state-of-the-art high spatial and spectral resolution data gathered by airborne and satellite sensors. A wide range of practical exercises and in-class laboratory assignments provides hands-on experience with a variety of remotely sensed imagery ranging from multi-spectral to hyper-spectral data. The course culminates with a capstone term project that allows cadets to apply digital image processing skills to a scientific problem.

3 Credit Hours



EV478 Military Geospatial Operations

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

This course is designed to teach the most current state of geospatial operations in the military. It is built to provide the graduate an improved understanding of the cornerstone to the digital force – the “common operational picture” or “COP.” This course is divided into five major blocks of instruction: (1) a linked discussion of geospatial operations’ development, organizations and data systems; (2) the geographic information system (GIS) as a military tool – system input, management, data analysis and production outputs; (3) Army geospatial operations in the garrison environment; (4) Army geospatial operations in combat environments; and (5) geospatial operations for joint/coalition forces. The course includes several relevant practical exercises and laboratories, a field trip, guest lectures, and one panel discussion. Due to the currency of the material discussed, a secret security clearance is required for all participants.

3 Credit Hours

EV480 Honors Seminar in Human Geography

First Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and selection for the Honors Program.

The discipline of human geography includes many important, contemporary research issues. This course examines significant research themes in the discipline and defines their data requirements. The objective is to identify and delineate the senior thesis, which is the culminating event for the Honors Program in Human Geography. Hence, cadets examine research methods used by human geographers, conduct a critical analysis of seminal literature in the field, define a research problem, identify and evaluate data sources, and assemble a research proposal. The final product of this course is a written research proposal that defines the senior thesis (to be written during EV489B). The cadet makes a formal presentation of this proposal to senior geography faculty. The course is conducted in a seminar and one-on-one format.

3 Credit Hours

EV481 Water Resources Planning and Design

First Term—Prerequisite: Standing as a First Class cadet.

The course is concerned with effective use of water as a manageable natural resource. It begins with instruction on the tools required by water resource managers to make sound decisions in their field. The course assesses current needs for water and the structural (engineered) and nonstructural approaches available to meet these needs. Elements of engineering design and the design process are introduced. The bulk of the course is concerned with assessment of the impacts of various water resources development activities on the economic, socio-cultural and ecological sectors of the environment. Methods for conducting tradeoff analyses among the engineered and environmental aspects of projects are developed and applied in a term project. The course makes use of case studies of current water resource projects. Visiting speakers represent the views of the federal government and concerned public-interest groups.

3 Credit Hours



A human geography major at an AIDS orphanage on the shores of Lake Victoria, Tanzania.



Geography IAD Cadets in front of the Temple Mount and Al Aqse Mosque, Jerusalem.

EV482 Military Geography

Second Term—Prerequisite: EV203.

Military Geography is the application of geographic principles, information, tools, and technologies to military problems during wartime, peacetime, or operations other than war. Military Geography focuses on the nexus between geography and military operations. Military history is filled with examples of the influence of terrain, weather, climate, and the cultural landscape on military operations, and every military operation is conditioned by the geographic character of the area of operations, the so-called “military operating environment.” This course examines those links. Case studies and guest lectures are used to examine the impact of geography on military operations at all levels of warfare. Although the course employs a historical approach, it also examines a broad range of contemporary subjects, such as peacetime military operations, military operations other than war, geopolitics, geostrategy, security landscapes, environmental security, environmental warfare, ethnic warfare, strategic deployment, and military lands.

3 Credit Hours

EV483 Colloquium in Geography

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and EV365.

This capstone course utilizes small group discussions and draws on all previous geography coursework. Through directed readings, it examines the important literature, methodological traditions, and contemporary research trends in the discipline. Topics vary by year among cultural, economic, political, regional, and military geography.

3 Credit Hours

EV486 Environmental Geography

First Term—Prerequisites: EV203 and EV365.

This course focuses on how people adapt to specific environments and how they alter these environments through human activities. To understand these interactions and their implications, environmental geographers must fully appreciate natural processes and landform development, as well as the implications culture has in influencing how humans interact with natural systems. At the end of the course, students will be able to understand the geographic characteristics of natural and human-induced environmental change, to delineate regional challenges inherent to environmental change, and to determine the human impacts on air, land, and water systems at global, regional, and local scales.

3 Credit Hours

EV487 Environmental Security

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV203, standing as a *First Class cadet*.

This interdisciplinary seminar uses environmental security in a case-study approach to study environmental issues potentially affecting U.S. national security. Cadets will explore environmental security topics, such as water and natural resource shortages, energy use and dependency, global climate change, and other regional environmental issues, using an interdisciplinary approach from geographic, social, political, economic, and scientific-technological perspectives. The course includes several guest speakers and culminates with an interdisciplinary team project.

3 Credit Hours

EV488 Solid and Hazardous Waste Management

Second Term—Prerequisites: EV394 and EV402.

This course examines the treatment, storage, and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes. Both regulatory requirements and evolving technology associated with solving modern solid waste disposal problems are discussed. Processes for the investigation and remediation of contaminated waste sites are presented, along with design methodologies for solid and hazardous waste disposal systems. The course culminates in the application of hazardous waste engineering to the cleanup of a contaminated hazardous disposal site.

3 Credit Hours



EV489A Advanced Individual Study I

Either Term—Prerequisite: *Permission of department head.*

The course is an individually supervised research and study program designed to provide cadets with the opportunity to pursue advanced topics within their disciplines. The cadet prepares a research and study proposal setting forth the objectives, scope, and anticipated accomplishments of his/her efforts for the semester. If required for a specific degree, the proposal will include a justification for engineering science or design credit. Once approved, the proposal serves as a basis for the cadet's research and study program. Progress in research reports and observations by the faculty advisor form the basis for grades. The program for each cadet will culminate in one of two outcomes: 1) a discipline-appropriate written product (e.g., senior thesis) with oral defense; or 2) enrollment in EV489B for the completion of the research and study program during the second academic term. Lessons and labs are established by consultation between the cadet and the faculty advisor.

3 Credit Hours

EV489B Advanced Individual Study II

Second Term—Prerequisites: *EV480 and EV489A.*

The course is an individually supervised research and study program designed to provide cadets with the opportunity to pursue advanced topics within their disciplines. The cadet uses a research and study proposal setting forth the objectives, scope, and anticipated accomplishments of his/her efforts for the semester. If required for a specific degree, the proposal will include a justification for engineering science or design credit. The proposal serves as a basis for the cadet's research and study program. Progress in research reports and observations by the faculty advisor form the basis for grades. The program for each cadet will culminate in a discipline-appropriate written product (e.g., senior thesis or design project) with oral defense. Lessons and labs are established by consultation between the cadet and faculty advisor.

3 Credit Hours

EV490 Advanced Environmental Process Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: *Standing as a First Class cadet.*

This is the final design course for the major in Environmental Engineering. It exposes cadets to the complete design experience including project management, work scheduling, and development of plans and specifications. The course centers on a senior design project that requires the employment of concepts in engineering design to produce a 35-percent product for an actual customer. Working in teams, cadets examine projects through the feasibility and concept design phases to evolve and develop concepts that are not only technically feasible, but economically, socially, and politically acceptable. The evaluation of alternatives employs trade-off analysis and the use of multi-attribute decision models. The final product includes a formal oral briefing and a written feasibility study. In addition to project management, course lectures cover engineering ethics, engineering economics, and topical coverage of fundamental engineering topics relevant to the problems under study. The course concludes with a field data collection exercise where cadets develop collection protocols and logistical requirements and then execute the data collection plan and results analysis.

3.5 Credit Hours

EV498 Advanced Geographic Information Systems

First Term—Prerequisite: *EV398.*

This course examines the analytical methods used in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and provides cadets with a clear understanding of the theoretical/conceptual aspects of algorithms found in GIS software. Lectures focus on the underlying mathematical basis for widely used spatial analytical techniques. Among the topics covered are neighborhood operations, map transformation, spatial interpolation, terrain analysis, network analysis, spatial overlay, fuzzy sets, neural networks, and expert systems. In-class practical exercises and laboratory assignments complement the lectures by providing hands-on experience with a variety of advanced analytical techniques. The course culminates with a capstone term project that allows cadets to identify a scientific problem, formulate a hypothesis, use GIS to solve the problem, and then present the results of their analyses.

3 Credit Hours

XS391 Principles and Applications of Environmental Chemistry

First Term—Prerequisites: *CH102/CH152, MA103/MA153 and MA104.*

This course will examine chemical interactions of pollutants in air, soil, and water systems. The focus of the course is problem solving with the following topic coverage: approximately 80 percent applied aquatic chemistry, 15 percent environmental organic chemistry, and 5 percent applied analytical chemistry. Specific topics include the chemistry applied in drinking water production and the chemical aspects of industrial and hazardous waste treatment. The fate of heavy metals and organic contaminants in soil and aqueous systems will also be covered.

3 Credit Hours





**“Much of the
history we
teach was made
by people
we taught.”**



The Department of History provides cadets instruction in ancient, modern, and military history through a series of core courses. These subjects are fundamental to liberal education in general and to the professional development of cadets in particular. The department also provides a program of elective courses for cadets who wish to major in history. Additionally, it is the proponent for Military Art and Science, an interdisciplinary major.



History Major

The major in history offers cadets an opportunity for in-depth study in one of four areas: military history, international and strategic history, modern European history, and United States history. Most cadets who major in history will write a senior thesis that requires detailed research in primary sources. An honors program is available for high achievers.

Military Art and Science Major

The Military Art and Science major offers cadets the opportunity to pursue a multidisciplinary approach to the study of the modern military profession and national security. Electives allow cadets to examine military operations and defense policy and strategy through an historical approach. Cadets take courses in a number of disciplines, including military science, history, social sciences, law, and geography. An honors program is available for high achievers. Although the Department of History is the proponent for the major, the Department of Military Instruction administers the Military Art and Science program.

Standard Courses

HI103-HI104 History of the United States

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

Second Term—Prerequisite: HI103 or equivalent.

These courses treat the history of the United States (in an international context) from the nation's colonial origins to the present. Both surveys explore the American experience by investigating such diverse topics as economic, political, and social evolution; foreign relations developments; the rise of sectionalism; cultural and intellectual growth; group interactions, and the relation between war and society. The courses also introduce methods of historical research and analysis, and seek to develop the cadet's facility for critical thinking and lucid writing, and for participating effectively in oral discussion.

6 Credit Hours

HI107 History of Western Civilization: Ancient Times to 1914

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

HI107 is the first half of a two semester sequence intended to build for cadets a historical foundation before they conduct an in-depth survey of another civilization in HI108. This course traces the human experience from ancient times until 1914. Beginning with an examination of the origins of Western Civilization in the Middle East, HI107 then explores the development of Western Civilization through the classical, medieval, early modern, and modern periods, ending with an examination of the causes leading to the First World War. The roots and

formative events of the West are examined in depth to provide a cultural, social, economic, political, and military framework for the understanding of Western Civilization. This course also develops methods of historical research and analysis. It seeks to develop the cadet's facility for critical thinking, lucid writing, and effective participation in classroom discussion.

3 Credit Hours

HI108 Regional Studies in World History

Second Term—Prerequisite: Successful completion or validation of HI107/HI157.

HI108, in the first block, completes the study of the development of Western Civilization begun in HI107, starting from World War I and continuing to the present day. The remaining two blocks focus on a detailed study of the development and critical events in the history of one of five regions: Africa, East Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, or Russia. The dual focus (Western Civilization and one other region) enables cadets to develop a deeper understanding of a different culture and unfamiliar ideas and concepts. The course also develops methods of historical research and analysis, and seeks to develop the cadet's facility for critical thinking, lucid writing, and effective participation in classroom discussion.

3 Credit Hours

Advanced Courses

HI153-HI154 Advanced History of the United States

First and Second Terms—Prerequisite: Approval of associate professor in American history.

These courses encompass the same chronological period and thematic coverage as HI103-HI104, but they do so through monographic and periodical literature and greater emphasis on classroom discussion. These courses assume some familiarity with American history and consequently place special emphasis on historical analysis and criticism. Moreover, students acquire a broader understanding of American history and the historian's methods.

6 Credit Hours

HI157 History of the World: From Ancient Times to the Present

First Term—Prerequisite: Selection by the associate professor and chief of the International Division based upon SAT scores, AP/IP scores, or previous university-level history courses.

HI157 encompasses the same chronological period and thematic coverage as HI107, but it places a greater emphasis on classroom discussion and historical analysis and criticism. Consequently, the cadet acquires a broader and deeper appreciation

of the historian's craft and of essential issues in Western Civilization.

3 Credit Hours

HI158 Regional Studies in World History

Second Term—Prerequisite: Successful completion or validation of HI107/HI157 and selection by the associate professor and chief of the International Division.

HI158 encompasses the same chronological period and thematic coverage as HI108, but it places a greater emphasis on classroom discussion and historical analysis and criticism. Consequently, the cadet acquires a broader and deeper appreciation of the historian's craft and of essential issues in World History.

3 Credit Hours

HI301-HI302 History of the Military Art

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or validation.

Second Term—Prerequisite: HI301.

This two-term, upper-class core course traces the evolution of the art of war from the ancients through the Napoleonic era to the American Civil War and the wars of the 20th century. Emphasis is placed on the changing nature of warfare as nations adjust to social, political, economic, and technological developments. Analysis focuses on causation, the interrelationship of events as warfare evolved over the ages, operational and logistical aspects of military history, and the role of society in warfare.

6 Credit Hours

HI337 China - Central Kingdom to Communist Rule

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course traces the history of China from ancient times to the present. It briefly introduces the emergence of a distinct Chinese civilization, in thought, culture, and political structure. It then considers how China was transformed by the introduction of Buddhism and the experience of cosmopolitan empire under the Tang. Next it examines how China fared in the multi-state system that endured from 960 to the Mongol conquest, and then as the Late Imperial state under the Ming and "foreign" Manchu rule. It considers the search for "new China" in the Republican, Warlord, and Nationalist periods following the collapse of the Late Imperial state. It shows why Mao came to represent a new utopian vision and how that vision tragically failed. Finally, the course explores how the search for "new China" and historical legitimacy continues today both on the mainland and in Taiwan.

3 Credit Hours

HI338 Warfare in the Age of Revolutions

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the theory and practice of warfare in Europe during the Age of Revolutions, roughly considered to be 1750 to 1814. Political revolutions, such as the American and French Revolutions, along with other revolutions, such as the Agricultural and the Industrial, and the intellectual ferment spawned by the Age of Enlightenment, all resulted in significant changes in the conduct of warfare. This course will examine those events, with particular focus on their relevance to the art of warfare. Themes include changes in military organization, doctrine, technology, and the accompanying social, political, and economic factors that influenced the armies of the day. The course will also cover the wars and campaigns that took place during this timeframe, including the American and French revolutions and the wars of Napoleon.

3 Credit Hours

HI339 The Modern Middle East

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course enables cadets to explore the social, political, economic, and military interactions in the formation of the Modern Middle East. The first block examines the decline of the Gunpowder Empires and the subsequent penetration of European colonialism into the Islamic world (India, North Africa, Egypt, and the Levant), with emphasis on the factors that led to military decline of the Turkic world and the relative economic and military advantages of the European powers. During this block, students will discuss the Middle East's modernizing and reform efforts that European colonialism helped to catalyze, to include democratization, constitutions, capitalism, and industrialization. The second block covers the events that follow the world wars and subsequent decolonization of the Middle East against the backdrop of the Cold War. Cadets will closely examine the Arab-Israeli conflict, the rise of Arab Nationalism and the tension between military revolutionary dictatorship and attempts at constitutional monarchy and republics. The final phase will begin with the Iranian revolution of 1979 and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. It will consider the rise of political Islam as a revolutionary ideology and the post-Cold War challenges leading to current wars and insurrections.

3 Credit Hours

HI340 Colonial America

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the international, political, social, cultural, and economic origins and development of colonial North America prior to the war for independence, with attention to French and Spanish as well as British colonies. It explores the development of American identities and the significance of colonization and intercultural encounters for all the peoples, native and European, of North America.

3 Credit Hours

HI341 The Age of Exploration

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course concentrates on the on the "Age of Exploration" and its impact on the early modern world, 1453-1715. It provides students interested in the history of early modern Europe, the Atlantic world, the history of Africa and colonial Latin America a general understanding of the ideologies and institutions that enabled Europe to colonize parts of Africa and the Americas during this important period in world history. Specific topics include: medieval precedents of early modern imperialism; theories of monarchy and empire; ideologies of conquest and colonization; the continuity of native cultures and beliefs; the relevance of race and slavery in understanding European influence in Africa and the Americas; and the creation of an Atlantic economy.

3 Credit Hours

HI342 The British Isles Since 1688

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the rise and fall of one of the greatest empires of modern history. How did a tiny, insular nation become the world's most formidable imperialistic power and then, in the afterglow of high Victorian achievement, evolve into a post-industrial welfare state? In answering this question students will have the opportunity to deal with the great military, social, economic, and political issues that shaped modern Europe. Key events and themes include the Glorious Revolution, the Seven Years' War, the loss of the American colonies, the impact of the French Revolution and Industrial Revolution, the rise of democracy, the triumph of socialism, the age of total war, and the transition to the Cold War.

3 Credit Hours

HI343 Modern Germany

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course is a survey of the German lands from the dawn of the modern era through contemporary times. The course will combine social, political, economic, and cultural history in examining crucial themes and developments related to the German-speaking regions. Cadets will consider German nation and state formation; social, demographic, and economic transformation; imperialism, war, and ideological change; the transformation of male and female roles; and trends in high and popular culture. The course will include a significant segment on 20th-century Germany and the role the German state played in determining the course of world history, whether as the Nazi state that unleashed the Holocaust or as the West German Cold War bulwark. German history has much to teach us and has led to enormous debates about the nature of the modern era.

3 Credit Hours

HI344 Modern Diplomacy

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

The course focuses on the major diplomatic developments in Europe from 1814 through the end of the Cold War in 1991. It traces the emergence of the European state system after the Treaty of Westphalia and the impact of the revolution in France on European diplomatic relations. It examines the diplomatic system established at the Congress of Vienna through the crises and conflicts of the mid-19th century. The course also examines the various factors that led to the First World War, the developments of the interwar period, the origins and conduct of the Second World War, and the origins of the Cold War. The final lessons will explore Europe's role in the Cold War, the rise of international organizations, transnational diplomacy, the end of the Cold War, and recent modifications to Europe's role in world affairs.

3 Credit Hours

HI345 Modern Africa

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course takes a thematic approach to African history, describing the forces that led to the partitioning of the continent, the practices of European colonialism/imperialism, the emergence of independent African states, and political, economic, and social developments in contemporary Africa. The goal of the course is to focus on critical events, relationships, and themes on the continent that continue to effect current events.

3 Credit Hours

HI346 Modern South Asia

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course enables cadets to explore the social, political, economic, religious, and cultural history of modern South Asia. The course will examine the foundation of Indian religious and cultural traditions, and the related social, political, and economic developments in early India. It then examines the late Mughal Empire, the domination of India by the British, the struggles for independence, and the partition of South Asia into India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh in the contemporary era.

3 Credit Hours



HI347 Asian Warfare and Politics

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course explores the interaction between warfare and political systems in East Asia. It begins with the transition from military monarchy to bureaucratic empire in the Warring States Period. It then maps the rise of nomadic confederations in the Inner Asian steppe and their strategic interaction with the Han state. It traces how the collapse of the Han state led to military turmoil in East Asia, the rise of hybrid states, a new cosmopolitan empire, and then a multi-state system. It considers how, in Japan, the importation of the bureaucratic state led first to centralization and then to the rise of the samurai and a feudal structure. Next, the course examines the development of a new form of nomadic confederation under the Mongols, and how Mongol warfare led to a more centralized state in China, and turmoil and a federalist system in Japan. In the modern period, the course considers how the challenge of Western military force led to political turmoil and the rise of the Communists in China, but in Japan led to the building of the Imperial Army, noted for its competence and for its atrocities. The course concludes with reflection on how the experience of war in East Asia continues to affect the region's politics and political structures.

3 Credit Hours

HI348 Modern Latin America

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course surveys the cultural, economic, political, and social evolution of Latin America from the era of independence to the present. The course begins with a brief examination of Pre-Colombian and colonial events and structures. Students will study the economic development of modern Latin America and its influence on social, political, and military change. Case studies of national histories, such as Mexico, Cuba, Brazil, Argentina, and other countries, help to illuminate the broad themes that underlie modern Latin American history. The course will examine Latin American relations with the United States and other nations of the world.

3 Credit Hours

HI349 The Middle East to 1798

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course enables cadets to explore the social, political, economic, and military interactions in the development of the Islamic world before European colonization. The first block examines the growth of the Islamic world from the advent of Muhammad and through the early phases of military conquest, with emphasis on why Islam was appealing in its formative era, how the religion was structured, and what factors allowed for its political, economic and military success. The second block covers the subsequent evolution of the Caliphal empires, emphasizing the changing nature of political authority and legitimacy, the evolution of political institutions, and the challenges to Caliphal hegemony. The third block will examine the arrival of the Steppe peoples into the Middle East (Mamluks, Seljuk Turks, Mongols), and how new political, social and military structures were introduced, eventually shaping the development of the late Turkic Gunpowder Empires: the Ottomans of Europe and the Near East, the Safavids of Iran and Central Asia, and the Mughals of India. Cadets will assess what created the military strength of these empires and what led to their decline.

3 Credit Hours

HI351-HI352 Advanced History of Military Art

First Term—Prerequisite: *Departmental placement of volunteers.*

HI351-HI352 parallels HI301-HI302. However, in addition to accelerated study of HI301-HI302 material, the cadet will study selected periods in greater depth and breadth. This course offers the cadet a more profound understanding of men and women as warriors and of the evolution of the art of war than would otherwise be available.

6 Credit Hours

HI355 Warfare in the Age of Industrialization

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the history of warfare around the globe, from the Congress of Vienna through World War I and its aftermath. It combines the study of military campaigns with the political, economic, social, and cultural factors shaping military developments. It explores the impact of changing technology on the conduct of war, the development of nationalism, wars between nation-





states, and wars for national freedom. This course contains several themes particularly useful to any modern Soldier. Among them are the nature and intensity of national wars and the effect of changing technology on society and the conduct of war.

3 Credit Hours

HI356 War at Sea and in the Air

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course examines war at sea from the early days of galley warfare through the ages of sail, steam power, all-steel navies, nuclear power, and missiles. War in the air is examined from the early days of balloons and lighter-than-air ships through missile age. Course themes include the evolution of military organizations, technology, strategy, leadership, and the accompanying social, political, and economic factors that influenced the navies and air forces of the day. The course will also cover selected wars and campaigns in which naval and air power played important roles.

3 Credit Hours

HI357 Warfare Since 1945

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

The nature of warfare has changed dramatically since 1945. During the Cold War, American policies of containment and collective security collided with attempts at communist expansion.

The threat of nuclear war led to an era of limited war, including revolutionary war, wars of national liberation, and civil wars. Cadets will examine the strategic conditions and political considerations influencing the use of force in all types of warfare. They will gain an appreciation for the experiences of soldiers and leaders in combat, while analyzing military strategy and exploring the connection between war and society.

3 Credit Hours

HI358 Strategy, Policy, and Generalship

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines how political and military leaders develop and execute policy and strategy. The course begins with an examination of the rise of military professionalism and the creation of military staffs in the 19th century. It explores how political and military leaders integrate not only military power, but also diplomatic, economic, technological, social, and political resources to achieve a nation's goals. In particular, the course examines the often contentious issues of civil-military relations, joint and coalition warfare, and organizational and doctrinal change. Cadets study the strategic challenges faced by senior civilians and military leaders, thus allowing them to analyze warfare within a broader political-military context.

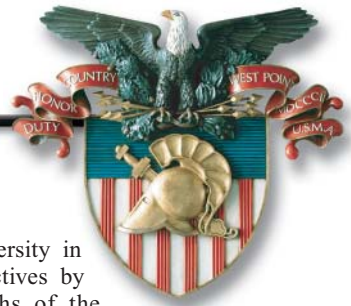
3 Credit Hours

HI359 Era of the Second World War

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the Interwar Years, 1919-1939, and the Second World War from a global perspective, while using a thematic approach to compare the different experiences of each of the major belligerents. Whether covering the Versailles Treaty, the rise of Adolf Hitler, the US Army during the Great Depression, home fronts, or the Holocaust, the cadets in this course will examine the social, political, cultural, and economic factors that contributed to how belligerents waged war, and, in turn, how war affected each of these factors across the globe. The course covers how and why the belligerents planned and executed particular strategies and operations in the European, Pacific, and China-Burma-India theaters to achieve their coalition and national goals. Finally, this course examines the interrelationship of sea, air, and land forces, and the complexities of providing logistical support to joint and combined operations on an unprecedented scale.

3 Credit Hours



HI361 Medieval Europe

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

The millennium between the “fall” of the Roman Empire and the Voyages of Discovery – the Middle Ages – has often been characterized as brutish and inferior. Yet, this tough, fascinating society offered immeasurable potential for growth and adaptation. The personages and events of the European medieval world spawned many of the ideas and institutions of modernity. Topics for study will include the barbarian invasions, Byzantine Empire, Carolingian Europe, feudalism, medieval technology, Christian Church, medieval warfare, Crusades, rise of universities, crises of the 14th century, growth of monarchical power, and economic and social change.

3 Credit Hours

HI364 Modern Western Europe

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course is an introduction to European history from 1789 to the present. The course considers how and why Europe—a small, relatively poor, and politically fragmented place—became the engine of globalization and an important civilization in its own right. Our approach is broadly cultural, using politics, economics, society, religion, and other arenas to understand the events and people of Modern Western Europe. Chief topics: French Revolution, liberalism and the industrial revolution, socialism and the rise of labor, modern colonialism, world wars, communism and capitalism, decolonization, Cold War, and the European Union.

3 Credit Hours

HI365 The Ancient World

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course examines the political development, cultural ideas, and fundamental institutions of the ancient societies that form the basis of Western civilization. The course will focus on civic values that established standards regarding the role of the individual within the community and how concepts of virtue, duty, and service evolved over time in response to internal and external challenges. It explores in detail significant historical questions, such as how Athenian democracy contributed to, and was dramatically affected by, the Peloponnesian Wars, and why the Romans’ victory in the Punic Wars planted the seeds for the ultimate demise of the republic and the transition to the empire. HI365 also serves as an introduction to historical methods of analyzing primary sources. Cadets will read extensively from histories written by ancient Greek and Roman authors and form their own interpretations of the events the writers cover, their historical methods, and their reliability.

3 Credit Hours

HI367 Imperial and Soviet Russia

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the political, social, and cultural history of Russia as it emerged from the Mongol era up to the present day. It explores the development of the tsarist political and social systems, the emergence of literary, artistic, and revolutionary movements, and the development of Russia’s position in European politics from the time of Peter I through WWI. It also covers the rise of the Soviet Union, the leadership’s attempts to implement communist ideology and responses to that attempt, Russia’s relationship with various national and ethnic groups, and the emergence of the Soviet Union as a superpower. The course concludes with the collapse of the Soviet Union and the emergence of new states in the 1990s.

3 Credit Hours

HI368 Modern Central and Eastern Europe, 1896-1989

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

Between 1896 and 1989, Central and Eastern Europe experienced two world wars, at least three major revolutions, and radical industrial and environmental dislocations. The region witnessed everything from the birth of its modern culture to the creation of new post-World War I nation-states, to the Holocaust, to massive forced population shifts, to the creation of the communist Eastern Bloc, to the popular overthrow of Communism in 1989. Radical regimes on the right and left brought incredible change, quashed hopes, and produced both progress and suffering of unprecedented proportion. This course will examine life in late-19th and 20th century Habsburg Europe and its successor states of Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and Yugoslavia. It will do so comparatively, highlighting themes of nation-creation, everyday life, social transition, war, revolution, and ethnic cleansing.

3 Credit Hours

HI369 American Frontiers

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

HI369 enables cadets to explore the social, political, economic, and military interactions between many diverse cultures in North America during the period of European and U.S. expansion since 1500. The course does this by examining the history of Native America and the “American” West, which included much of colonial British North America, and much of the American South through the 1830s, along with Spanish, French, and other European frontiers in North America. The course integrates Native American, Latino, and economic history in the study of migration, cultural contact, and “international” relations on the frontiers of North America. The course also explores

change and diversity in cultural perspectives by examining myths of the West from a range of ethnic and other viewpoints. The course is an elective in the American History stem of the History program, but can be taken for credit in the International stem as well.

3 Credit Hours

HI370 Ancient and Medieval Warfare

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard Fourth Class History sequence or its validation.

This course focuses on warfare from the dawn of recorded history through the 14th century. Thus, it will provide cadets with opportunities to study the campaigns of Alexander, the military methods of the Romans, the military aspects of feudalism, the Scottish war of independence, and other topics that are not covered in the core military courses. Although the course includes in-depth analyses of certain battles and campaigns, it places more emphasis on “war and society” issues, such as the relationship between military participation and social standing in human societies, the connections between armies and governments, and the impact of economic, technological and social change on military structures. Also, HI370 will shift some emphasis away from the operational level of war to the analysis of the strategic and tactical levels of war, and away from use of secondary sources to use of primary materials.

3 Credit Hours

HI372 History of United States Foreign Relations in the Twentieth Century

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or validation (may be taken concurrently).

This course examines American foreign relations from the nation’s entry into the world arena as a major power in 1898 through both world wars and the Cold War, to its station in today’s multipolar world. It is a study of the forces, events, personalities, and principles that have shaped America’s role in the world and provided the framework for the development of current foreign policy.

3 Credit Hours

HI376 Early Modern Warfare

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course examines the history of warfare in Europe from the Renaissance through the campaigns of Frederick the Great. It combines the study of military campaigns with that of the political, economic, social, and cultural factors shaping military developments. It explores the so-called “Military Revolution” of the 16th and

17th centuries with particular emphasis on the relationships between military developments and state building, the rise of absolutism in France and the Wars of Louis XIV, and the rise of Prussia and the Wars of Frederick the Great. Study of the so-called “age of limited war” sets the stage for future study of the American Revolution and the wars of the French revolutions and Napoleon. This course contains several themes particularly useful to the modern Soldier. Among them are the nature, intensity, and complexity of wars of religion.

3 Credit Hours

HI 381 History of Unconventional Warfare

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

The course examines unconventional warfare from a historical perspective, particularly conflicts involving opponents with a significant disparity in their conventional military capabilities. Through several case studies, the course explores why belligerents succeed or fail in unconventional warfare and how ideology, technology, and social, political, and economic factors help determine the outcome of wars between regular and irregular forces. Covering a broad period of history, selected case studies include wars of conquest or colonization, revolutionary wars, and peacekeeping or constabulary operations.

3 Credit Hours

HI385 War and Its Theorists

Second Term—Prerequisite: HI301-HI302 (may be taken concurrently).

Along with great commanders in history, there have been men who theorized about the nature and conduct of war, the relationship between politics and strategy, and the impact of warfare upon society. The course examines the contributions of selected theorists (Clausewitz, Sun Tzu, Jomini, Mahan, Fuller, Liddell Hart, Brodie, etc.). The cadet reads the theorists’ major writings, analyzes their principal ideas, and studies their influences on military affairs. This will help the cadet reach his or her own conclusions about fundamental questions concerning the conduct and fundamental nature of war, such as the relative strength of offense vs. defense, or of material vs. morale factors.

3 Credit Hours

HI390 Early National America

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

Although the Constitution outlined the form of federal government in the United States, it left unanswered many questions concerning how that government should function. This course examines how, between 1790 and 1848, evolving political thought, economic development, changing social conditions, and sectionalism influenced successive generations’ debates about the role of government in American life.

3 Credit Hours

HI391 History of World Religions

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course analyzes the emergence, development and present cultural expression of the major religions of the world, emphasizing their 19th and 20th century experience. It also examines the development of religion in the ancient world and in pre-literate and non-technical societies. Cadets study the world’s religions as molded by and as molders of the social, political and economic forces unique to particular cultures. Special attention is paid to the role of each religion in the formulation and adaptation of public and foreign policy.

3 Credit Hours

HI394 Revolutionary America

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course examines the social, political, and economic origins and consequences of the American Revolution through the adoption of the Constitution. It explores the development of an American identity and the meaning of the Revolution for all Americans, to include women, African Americans, and the poor.

3 Credit Hours

HI395 History of Civil War America

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course focuses on the causes and consequences of the American Civil War. Cadets will analyze the road to war, the war itself, and Reconstruction to place the entire period in its broader historical context. The course covers the ante-bellum South and North, focusing on the peculiar effect of slavery on society. Cadets will examine the home fronts to see the populace’s reaction to war as both the Union and the Confederacy engage in conflict. In approaching Reconstruction, cadets will focus on the political, economic, and racial policies that were implemented to rebuild the nation.

3 Credit Hours

HI396 The Making of Modern America

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

Between 1877 and 1945 the United States fought three major wars, experienced dramatic economic growth, suffered the Great Depression, underwent significant social change, and emerged as the premier world power. This course analyzes these and related issues, emphasizing how and why the United States developed during the last quarter of the 19th century and the first half of the 20th century, and stressing the promises and problems that accompanied the making of modern America.

3 Credit Hours

HI397 Cold War America

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

This course examines the history of the United States from the end of World War II through the Reagan presidency. It assesses the political, social, and economic institutions of America in the dynamic context of relations with the Soviet Union. While the course deals primarily with domestic America, cadets will gain an appreciation for the close relationship between events at home and abroad.

3 Credit Hours

HI398 Society and Culture in American History

First Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158.

HI398 examines the evolution of American society from the perspective of the family and evaluates the influence of group identification – class, race, gender, and ethnicity. Other topics include consumerism, sports, religion, and wars as factors that modify and enrich the social and cultural spectrum.

3 Credit Hours

HI460 Senior Faculty Course

Second Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course is taught by a senior member in the Department of History in a field of that historian’s expertise. The course offers students the opportunity to study under the guidance of a historian in topics not normally offered by the Department of History.

3 Credit Hours

HI461 Topics in Gender History

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

This course examines the development of gender relations, concepts, and roles in historical perspective. Topics may include gender in the military and warfare, the European experience, the American experience, or international comparisons of gender.

3 Credit Hours

HI462 Science and Technology

Second Term—Prerequisites: HI104 and HI108, or HI154 and HI158. Corequisite: IT305 or IT355.

This is an elective course focusing on the history and development of science and technology. Specifically, cadets will study how science and technology have interacted with cultural, social, political, and military institutions. This course will examine two episodes considered crucial in the making of the modern world: the Scientific Revolution of the 17th century, which established the most important features of present-day science



(experiments, laboratories, and mathematical and mechanistic ways of explanation), and the Industrial Revolution of the late-18th and 19th centuries, which created modern industrial society (labor relations, consumer products, classes, politics etc.). Cadets will evaluate the dangers of determinism, both in scientific and technical fields, as they analyze the military-industrial-scientific complex of the late 20th century. The final lessons will require cadets to combine the knowledge acquired during this and other courses to assess some of the present and future scientific and technical challenges the U.S. Army and other American institutions face.

3 Credit Hours

HI463 Race, Ethnicity, and Nation

First Term—Prerequisite: Standard History sequence or its validation.

We use the words ethnicity, race, and nation constantly, but what do these terms really mean? Why are people willing to kill or persecute each other in the name of these ideas? The course will allow cadets to investigate the development of the concepts of ethnicity, race, and nation. They will examine modern conditions such as the Enlightenment, science, the growth of the state, Social Darwinism, and imperialism, and study why these conditions gave rise to diverse but overlapping methods of creating boundaries and defining difference. Although the main focus of the course will be on Europe, the application of these ideas in a variety of global settings – on other continents – will be considered throughout the course.

3 Credit Hours

HI498 Colloquium in History

First Term—Prerequisite: Approval by head of the department; limited to cadets who are working toward a major in History.

The colloquium employs seminar discussions of important books and scholarly articles to enhance understanding of major historical issues. Subcourses are designed to provide in-depth study of various topics in American, European, military, and international and strategic history. Cadets select a subcourse topic as the basis for their reading programs after consultation with their faculty advisors or departmental counselors. Subcourse topics may vary each year in accordance with cadet interest and faculty expertise. Cadets who major in History should complete a colloquium that will support their subsequent enrollment in HI499 Senior Thesis in History.

3 Credit Hours

HI499 Senior Thesis in History

Second Term—Prerequisite: Approval by head of the department; limited to cadets who are working toward a major in History.

The course provides cadets selecting the major in History with an opportunity to enhance their skills in historical research and analysis. For this reason the course serves as excellent preparation for graduate study in history and related disciplines. Based upon their backgrounds and research interests, cadets are organized into small thesis-writing seminars. Under the supervision of a seminar advisor, each cadet defines a topic, develops a research plan, accomplishes research, and drafts a thesis. The seminar meets occasionally to discuss issues in historiography and methodology, review progress in research, and critique draft papers. At the end of the semester cadets present their findings and defend their theses before a committee of faculty and fellow cadets.


3 Credit Hours



“Europe was created by history. America was created by philosophy.”

Margaret Thatcher





The Department of Law provides all upper-class cadets with the required core course in constitutional and military law. This course prepares cadets to understand and evaluate the fundamental constitutional issues of American society and to administer command legal authority. The department also offers two majors in law: American Legal Studies and International and Comparative Legal Studies. These programs, through required and elective courses, examine law as a primary means of maintaining social order, balancing individual interests against the interests of society, and resolving disputes. The courses are available to those within the program and to others who are interested in broadening their understanding of the important role of law in the domestic, foreign, and international contexts.



Standard Courses

LW310 Introduction to Legal Method

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course provides the foundation for the Law and Legal Studies program. This course first explores the nature, function, sources, and structure of the law and legal systems. Next, the course examines legal reasoning. Cadets will explore systemic methods of legal analysis and apply those methods to the interpretation of cases, statutes, regulations, and constitutions. Next, cadets will learn fundamentals of legal research and writing. Lastly, cadets will consider various principles and techniques related to argumentation, logical reasoning, and advocacy.

3.5 Credit Hours

LW399 Legal Practice - Internship

Prerequisite: Department approval (Part of summer Individual Academic Development).

This course provides the opportunity for three-week individual internships with attorneys in one of a variety of fields, including court-martial litigation; judicial clerkships; and Army, federal, and state agency legal staffs. This includes internships with the U.S. Supreme Court; White House Chief Counsel's Office; U.S. Sending State Office in Rome, Italy; the Department of Defense; Installation Trial Defense and Staff Judge Advocate Offices; and local prosecutor's offices around the country. Evaluation based on research and writing project, daily journal, and oral presentation.

1.5 Credit Hours

LW403 Constitutional and Military Law

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS202; only First Class cadets or permission of the Department of Law.

This course studies the United States Constitution and the military justice system. Cadets will acquire information and skills in order to recognize and resolve constitutional and legal problems. The course provides analytical models for dealing with problems regarding societal and military order. It seeks to enable the cadet to make an intelligent commitment to the values and preferences embodied in the Constitution and our system of military and civilian law. Significant court decisions are explored to support the course goals. Specific substantive areas include: separation of powers, individual rights, due process, civilian and military criminal procedure, and military criminal law.

3 Credit Hours

Elective Courses

LW410 Comparative Legal Systems

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

This course uses a comparative approach to study the three major legal systems of the world: the English common law system, the civil law system (and its branches) of continental Europe, and the Islamic legal system. These three systems are the foundation for the laws and legal systems of most of the world today, including Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, and East Asia. Similarities and differences between these systems and the Law and Legal Studies are explored. Social, political, and economic factors that distinguish these systems and more recently have begun to integrate them are covered. Emphasis is placed on the sources of law, the procedures for resolving legal disputes, and basic principles of civil and criminal justice.

3 Credit Hours

LW472 Criminal Law

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

This course will examine the legal, social, religious, cultural, and political motivations that justice systems use to characterize certain actions as "criminal." The course will revolve around the traditional reasons for criminal law, namely blameworthiness and punishment, and also examine

how institutions use criminal law to serve their narrow interests. This course will introduce theories surrounding criminal law and illustrate how cadets may apply law immediately in their roles as officers. The course will examine federal and state criminal codes and also the Uniform Code of Military Justice. From a legal perspective based on the U.S. Constitution and other criminal codes, some of the topics covered include the death penalty, insanity, corporate crime, conspiracy, murder, necessity, and self-defense.

3 Credit Hours

LW474 Law of War for Commanders

Either Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course is designed to develop in each cadet an understanding of basic law of war (LOW), with an emphasis on issues that might arise on the battlefield at a tactical level. The ethical and historical background of LOW will be examined, including Geneva Conventions and protocols, and how LOW is enforced on international and national levels, to include prosecution under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Illustrative examples will include the Nuremberg Tribunal, My Lai, and the Gulf War.

3 Credit Hours



LW475 Advanced Constitutional Law Seminar

Either Term—Prerequisite: LW403.

This seminar course covers a broad range of traditional and contemporary constitutional law topics. In addition to studying U.S. Supreme Court cases in particular areas of constitutional law, cadets are given an opportunity to study the historical foundations of the U.S. Constitution and underlying theories and principles of constitutionalism. The seminar format demands active participation in classroom debate, role-playing, and critical thinking about complex issues of law and policy. As part of the seminar curriculum, each cadet will assume the role of a Supreme Court Justice. In this role, the cadet will study a real case pending before the Supreme Court and will write an abbreviated opinion reflecting the cadet's decision based on principled reasoning. The seminar typically travels to the Supreme Court to hear arguments in the studied case as part of the opinion-writing exercise.

3 Credit Hours

LW481 International Law

Both Terms—Prerequisite: None.

LW481 is a required course for cadets seeking to graduate with a Law and Legal Studies major. This course studies legal thought and theory, focusing on the concept of the rule of law. It analyzes the rule of law using the perspectives of jurisprudence (the ideas and reasoning of jurists) and legal theory (using insight from disciplines such as science, economics, and political theory to address legal problems). It explores theoretical and practical approaches to identifying, developing, and preserving the rule of law, such as natural law, legal realism, law and economics, critical legal studies, and feminist jurisprudence. It applies these approaches to problems related to the rule of law, such as constitutionalism, constitutional and statutory interpretation, crime and punishment, economic development, and human rights.

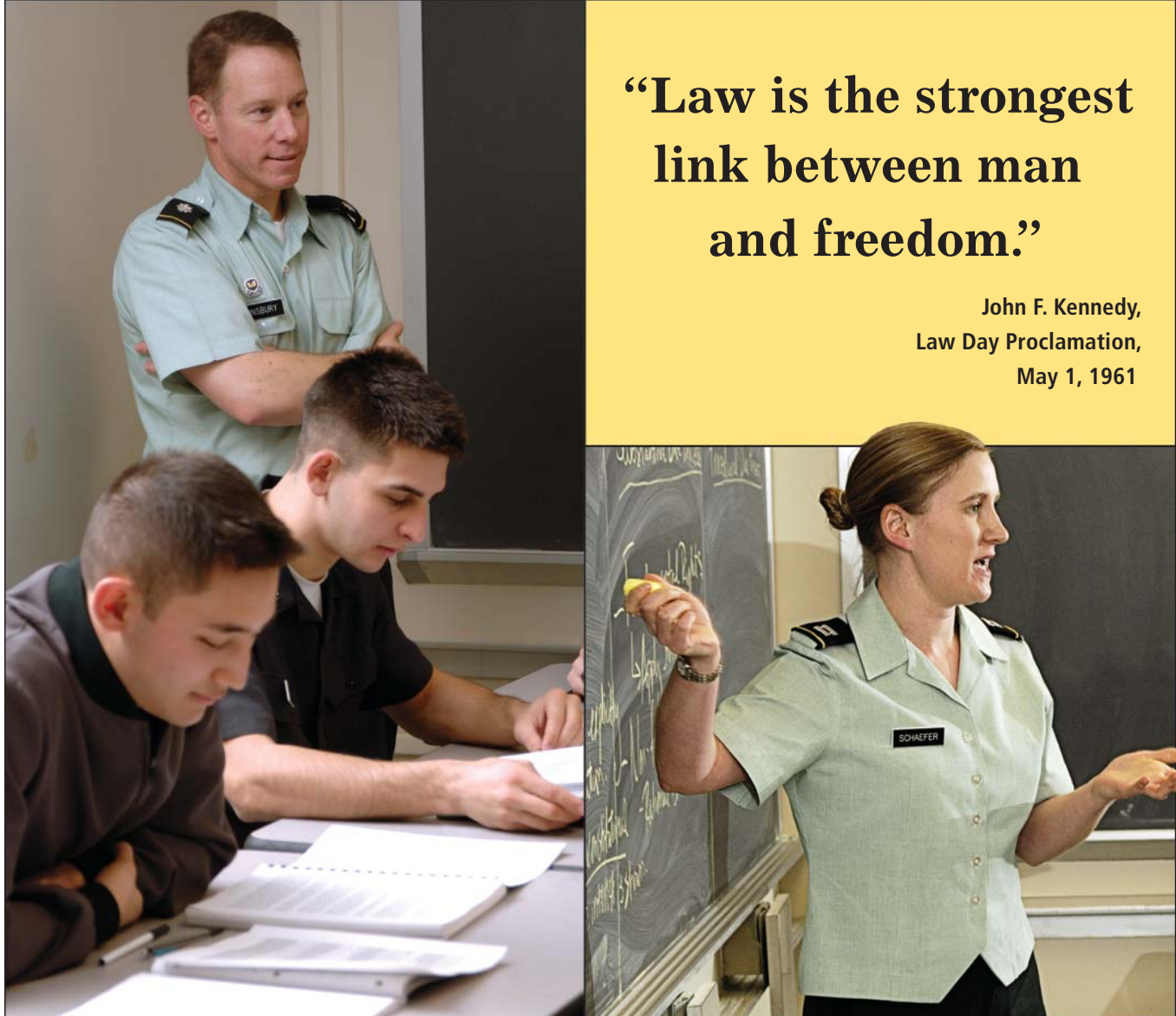
3 Credit Hours

LW482 National Security Law Seminar

First Term—Prerequisite: None.

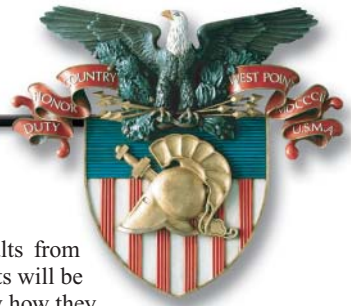
This seminar examines the legal framework for national security decisions. Cadets will analyze the delicate balance of liberty and security that must exist to preserve a democratic society. Particular areas examined include: constitutional separation of powers and shared responsibility for national security; the legality and scope of war and other uses of armed force short of war; access to and protection of sensitive information; intelligence collection and clandestine activities; and the formulation of national security policy and law.

3 Credit Hours



“Law is the strongest link between man and freedom.”

John F. Kennedy,
Law Day Proclamation,
May 1, 1961



LW488 Business Law

Either Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course introduces the cadet to the basics of business and commercial law. The course provides a survey of legal issues encountered in the business world, emphasizing contractual principles under the common law and Uniform Commercial Code. Legal issues in the following areas are explored: torts, products liability, landlord-tenant, consumer protection, warranties, real and personal property, insurance, business associations, and employment law. The course includes a survey of the basic principles of government contracting law. This course employs both case-study and problem-solving methods of instruction.

3 Credit Hours

LW490 Special Topics in the Law

Second Term—Prerequisite: Departmental approval.

This course is typically taught by a visiting professor. It concerns the particular area of legal expertise of the visiting professor or another departmental professor and therefore changes on an annual basis. For information on the specific topic offered and course requirements, contact the department academic counselor during the fall term.

3 Credit Hours

LW495 Jurisprudence and Legal Theory

Both Terms—Prerequisite: Departmental approval.

This course studies legal thought and theory, focusing on the concept of the rule of law. It analyzes the rule of law using the perspectives of jurisprudence (the ideas and reasoning of jurists) and legal theory (using insight from disciplines such as science, economics, and political theory to address legal problems). It explores theoretical and practical approaches to identifying, developing, and preserving the rule of law, such as natural law, legal realism, law and economics, critical legal studies, and feminist jurisprudence. It applies these approaches to problems related to the rule of law, such as constitutionalism, constitutional and statutory interpretation, crime and punishment, economic development, and human rights.

3 Credit Hours

LW498 Thesis I: Proposal & Research

First Term—Prerequisite: Departmental approval.

The purpose of the Senior Thesis is to provide cadets with the opportunity to create a project that is academically, professionally, and personally meaningful to them and that reflects their thinking and abilities as developed at West Point and in the Department of Law. Through the scholarly

project that results from this course, cadets will be expected to show how they and their work have progressed and that their work is of professional quality. Cadets will choose a faculty advisor with whom they will work over two semesters. In collaboration with the faculty advisor, cadets will explore their chosen areas of law with a goal of producing a project, usually a 30-page paper that is of professional quality. This paper will be completed during LW 499. Cadets will meet individually with their advisors on a regular basis to discuss the law, progress on the thesis, and developmental issues.

3 Credit Hours

LW499 Thesis II: Paper & Defense

Second Term—Prerequisite: LW498.

This course continues the work on the thesis commenced in LW 498. At the end of the course, cadets will submit their theses to the Department of Law and orally defend their theses before a faculty committee.

3 Credit Hours





The Department of Mathematical Sciences provides each cadet the opportunity to gain the mathematical education essential to progressive and continuing development throughout a career as a Regular Army officer. Emphasis is placed on achieving intellectual discipline, mastery of reasoning, understanding of mathematical concepts, skill in practical applications of mathematics, and appreciation for the role of mathematics in the military and society. The core requirement in mathematics is satisfied by successful completion or validation of the standard program. Cadets with weak backgrounds in algebra and trigonometry are required to complete a course in precalculus prior to undertaking the standard program. Building on the foundation of the core mathematics program, analytic and problem-solving skills are developed through a rich variety of electives in mathematics. In addition, the Department of Mathematical Sciences has a major in Mathematical Sciences and, in conjunction with the Department of Systems Engineering, a major in Operations Research.



Mathematical Sciences Major

The Department of Mathematical Sciences offers a wide range of elective courses that enables cadets to complete either a field of study or a major in the mathematical sciences. Depending on the interest of each cadet, programs of study generally are organized to focus on mathematics of the applied sciences, mathematics of operations research, and mathematics of computation, or statistics.

Operations Research Major

The field of Operations Research evolved from organizations' need to examine the operational characteristics of complex systems involving technology, people, and processes with the intent on making them more efficient and effective. This application of logical thought and quantitative methods provides commanders and managers with a sound basis for decision-making. The focus of study at West Point is on translating requirements into working models, optimization methods, applications of probability and statistics, and various forms of modeling to include simulation. Cadets electing the Operations Research field of study or major must take the Systems Engineering sequence in addition to a host of Operations Research courses designed to provide a required depth of study at the undergraduate level.

MA100 Precalculus Mathematics

Either Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course prepares cadets with background deficiencies in algebra and trigonometry for the core mathematics program. The course develops fundamental skills in algebra, trigonometry, and functions through an introduction to mathematical modeling and problem solving. Since this course does not count toward graduation requirements, cadets enrolled in MA100 will forfeit an elective opportunity.

3 Credit Hours

MA101 Mathematical Modeling and Introduction to Calculus

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA100.

This course continues the study of mathematical modeling and problem solving, using effective problem-solving strategies and modeling theory to solve complex and often ill-defined problems. The course exercises mathematical concepts while nurturing creativity, critical thinking, and learning through activities performed in disciplinary, interdisciplinary, and multidisciplinary settings. Special emphasis is placed on introducing calculus using continuous and discrete mathematics through applied settings. The course exploits a variety of technological tools to develop numerical, graphical, and analytical solutions that enhance understanding. The successful completion of MA100 and MA101 is equivalent to completing MA103.

4 Credit Hours

MA103 Mathematical Modeling and Introduction to Calculus

Either Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course is the first course of the mathematics core curriculum, and it emphasizes applied mathematics through modeling – using effective problem-solving strategies and modeling theory to solve complex and often ill-defined problems. The course exercises mathematical concepts while nurturing creativity, critical thinking, and learning through activities performed in disciplinary, interdisciplinary, and multidisciplinary settings. Special emphasis is placed on introducing calculus using continuous and discrete mathematics through applied settings. The course exploits a variety of technological tools to develop numerical, graphical, and analytical solutions that enhance understanding.

4 Credit Hours

MA104 Calculus I

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA103 or MA101.

This is the second semester of the mathematics core curriculum. This course and Calculus II, the third semester of the mathematics core curriculum, provide a foundation for the continued study of mathematics and for the subsequent study of physical sciences, social sciences, and engineering. Combined coverage includes single and multivariable differential calculus, single and multivariable integral calculus, and differential equations. Throughout both courses mathematical models motivate the study of topics such as optimization, accumulation, change in one and several variables, differential equations, motion in space, and other topics from the natural sciences, the social sciences, and the decision sciences. MA104 covers single and multivariable differential calculus, including three-dimensional geometry and vectors.

4.5 Credit Hours

MA153 Mathematical Modeling and Advanced Calculus I

First Term—Prerequisite: Selection by department head based upon mathematical experiences and abilities.

An advanced coverage of the concepts and principles covered in MA103, MA104, and MA205, including topics in differential equations.

4 Credit Hours

MA205 Calculus II

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA104.

This is the third semester of the mathematics core curriculum. This course with Calculus I, the second semester of the mathematics core curriculum, provides a foundation for the continued study of mathematics and for the subsequent study of the physical sciences, social sciences, and engineering. Combined coverage includes single and multivariable differential calculus, single and multivariable integral calculus, and differential equations. Throughout both courses, mathematical models motivate the study of topics such as optimization, accumulation, change in one and several variables, differential equations, motion in space, and other topics from the natural sciences, the social sciences, and the decision sciences. MA205 covers single and multivariable integral calculus and elementary ordinary differential equations. The sequence culminates with an introduction to the mathematics most applicable to each cadet's major or engineering stem.

4.5 Credit Hours





“The greatest good you can do for [cadets] is not just to share your riches but to reveal to [them their] own.”

Benjamin Disraeli

MA363 Vector Calculus and Ordinary Differential Equations

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course continues the study of vector calculus from MA205 through the remainder of the vector differential operations, line and surface integrals, and the vector integral theorems of Green, Gauss, and Stokes. The focus then turns to the study of ordinary differential equations. Emphasis is placed upon analyzing a variety of practical applications that give rise to ordinary differential equations. Numerical methods of solution are also studied.

3 Credit Hours

MA364 Engineering Mathematics

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course provides additional mathematical techniques and deepens the understanding of concepts in mathematics to support continued study in science and engineering. Emphasis is placed upon using mathematics to gain insight into natural and man-made phenomena that give rise to problems in differential equations and vector calculus. Calculus topics focus on three-dimensional space curves, vector fields and operations, divergence and curl, line and surface integrals. Analytic and numerical solutions to differential equations and systems of differential equations are found using a variety of techniques. Linear algebra topics include solutions to homogeneous and non-homogeneous systems of equations. An introduction to classical partial differential equations is included in the spring semester.

3 Credit Hours

MA366 Vector Calculus & Introduction to Partial Differential Equations

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course provides additional mathematical techniques and deepens the understanding of concepts in mathematics to support continued study in environmental engineering. Emphasis is placed upon using mathematics to gain insight into natural and man-made phenomena that give rise to problems solved through differential equations and vector calculus. Calculus study focuses on vector fields, differential operators, and the vector integral theorems. This material is then used to derive the diffusion equation. Solutions of this equation via Fourier series, separation of variables, and numerical methods are then studied.

3 Credit Hours

MA255 Advanced Calculus II

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA153.

An advanced coverage of the concepts and principles covered in MA205, including additional topics involving mathematical modeling.

4.5 Credit Hours

MA206 Probability & Statistics

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This is the final course in the mathematics core curriculum. It provides a professional development

experience upon which cadets can structure their reasoning under conditions of uncertainty and presents fundamental probability and statistical concepts that support the West Point core curriculum. Coverage includes data analysis, modeling, probabilistic models, simulation, random variables, and their distributions, hypothesis testing, confidence intervals, and simple linear regression. Applied problems motivate concepts, and technology enhances understanding, problem solving and communication.

3 Credit Hours



MA371 Linear Algebra

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course emphasizes both the computational and theoretical aspects of linear algebra one encounters in many subjects ranging from economics to engineering. The course covers solutions of linear systems of equations and the algebra of matrices. The foundational aspects of vector spaces and linear transformations to include linear dependence and independence, subspaces, bases and dimension, inner products, least-squares, and orthonormalization are developed. This is rounded out with a detailed investigation of eigenvalues and eigenvectors as they relate to diagonalization, quadratic equations, and systems of differential equations. Applications of the course material are included in the form of special problems to illustrate its extensive utility.

3 Credit Hours

MA372 Introduction to Discrete Mathematics

First Term—Prerequisite: MA206.

The purpose of this course is to introduce topics in discrete mathematics, providing a foundation for further study and application. The topics covered are useful to both the applied mathematician and the computer scientist. They include propositional logic, elements of set theory, combinatorics, relations, functions, partitions, methods of proof, induction and recursion, digraphs, trees, finite state machines, and algebraic systems. Specific applications to computer science are presented.

3 Credit Hours

MA376 Applied Statistics

First Term—Prerequisite: MA206.

This course builds on the foundations presented in the core probability and statistics course to provide a broad introduction to some of the most common models and techniques in applied statistics. The mathematical basis for each of the models and techniques is presented with particular emphasis on the development of the required test statistics and their distributions. Topics covered include hypothesis testing, analysis of variance, categorical data analysis, regression analysis, and nonparametric methods.

3 Credit Hours

MA381 Nonlinear Optimization

First Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course provides an undergraduate presentation of nonlinear topics in mathematical programming that builds on multivariable Calculus II. The emphasis of this course is on developing a conceptual understanding of the fundamental topics introduced. These topics include general convexity, convex functions, derivative-based multivariable search techniques, minima and maxima of convex functions, gradients, Hessian matrices, Lagrange Multipliers, Fritz-John and Kuhn-Tucker optimality conditions, and constrained and unconstrained optimization. Current technologies are used to explore and expose various key ideas throughout the course.

3 Credit Hours

MA383 Foundations of Mathematics

First Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course introduces the cadet to the methods and language of upper-division mathematics. It presents formal set theory and introduces the cadet to the methods of formulating and writing mathematical proofs. Finally, it provides the cadet a rigorous introduction to the theory of relations, functions, and infinite sets.

3 Credit Hours

MA385 Chaos and Fractals

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course introduces topics in fractal geometry and chaotic dynamical systems, providing a foundation for applications and further study. The topics from fractal geometry include the military applications of image analysis and data storage. The chaotic dynamical systems studied in the course are one-, two-, and three-dimensional, nonlinear, discrete and continuous dynamical systems. Topics include the logistics equation, the Henon attractor, the Lorenz equations, bifurcation theory, Julia sets, and the Mandelbrot set. These topics have applications in many fields of science, and examples from biology, meteorology, engineering, and the social sciences are studied. The course integrates concepts introduced in the core mathematics courses.

3 Credit Hours

MA386 Introduction to Numerical Analysis

First Term—Prerequisites: CS105 and MA205 or MA255.

This course develops an understanding of the methods for solving mathematical problems using a digital computer. Algorithms leading to solution of mathematical problems will be examined for consistency, stability, and convergence. After a brief review of calculus theory, a study of error analysis and computer arithmetic will provide the framework for the study of the following topics: solutions of equations of one variable, solutions of linear and nonlinear systems of equations, the use of polynomials to approximate discrete data, curve fitting, numerical integration and differentiation, and the approximation of continuous functions. Special problems will incorporate computer graphics and the use of mathematical software libraries to produce numerical solutions of applied problems.

3 Credit Hours



MA387 Mathematical Analysis I

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA383.

This is a one-semester course providing a rigorous introduction to the calculus of a single variable. The course is designed to introduce the cadet to the foundations of the calculus necessary for advanced undergraduate and graduate studies in applied mathematics and engineering. Course coverage includes a treatment of the structure of the real number system, sequences, continuous functions, and differentiation.

3 Credit Hours

MA391 Mathematical Modeling

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA205; **Pre or Corequisite:** MA206.

This course is designed to give cadets the opportunity to develop skills in model construction and model analysis while addressing interesting scenarios with practical applications from a wide variety of fields. The course addresses the complex process of translating real-world events into mathematical language and constructs, solving the resulting mathematical model (iterating as necessary), and interpreting the results in terms of real-world issues. Topics include model development from data, regression, general curve fitting strategies, and deterministic and stochastic model development. Interdisciplinary projects based on actual modeling scenarios are used to integrate the various topics into a coherent theme.

3 Credit Hours

MA396 Numerical Method Solutions to Differential Equations

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS105 and MA205 or MA255.

The focus of this course is to find numerical solutions of differential equations that result when modeling physical phenomena. The numerical solution of both initial value problems and boundary-value problems that arise with ordinary differential equations are covered. Techniques for solving partial differential equations are introduced. Software packages (Mathematica, Maple, Matlab, etc.) have proved to be very useful tools for many numerical techniques and are used to augment an understanding of course material.

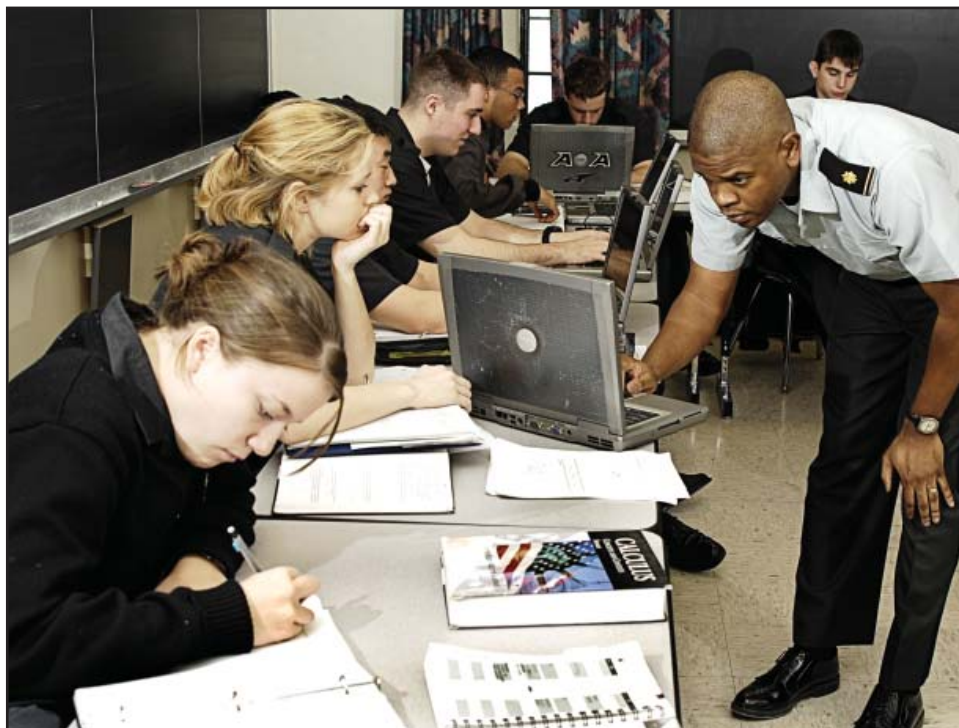
3 Credit Hours

MA461 Graph Theory and Networks

Either Term—Prerequisite: Department approval.

This course introduces the cadet to the techniques, algorithms, and structures used in graph theory and network flows in order to solve real-world discrete optimization problems. Basic definitions relating to graphs and digraphs, together with a large number of examples and applications, are provided. Cadets learn to implement new graph theory techniques in their areas of study. Emphasis is on modeling, algorithms, and optimization.

3 Credit Hours



MA462 Applied Combinatorics

Second Term—Prerequisite: Department approval.

This course introduces the basic techniques and modes of combinatorial problem solving important to the field of computer science and mathematical sciences, such as operations research. Applications of combinatorics are also related to fields such as genetics, organic chemistry, electrical engineering, and political science. Combinatorial enumeration and logical structure are stressed. Applications and examples provide the structure of progression through topics that include counting methods, generating functions, recurrence relations, and enumeration techniques.

3 Credit Hours

MA464 Applied Algebra w/Cryptology

Second Term—Prerequisites: CS105 and MA205 or MA255.

Cadets study the underlying algebra of computer science structures as well as sets, set functions, Boolean algebra, finite state machines, groups, and modular arithmetic. The course introduces mathematical aspects of cryptology with an emphasis on cryptanalysis of encryption ciphers. Cadets also study early paper-and-pencil systems through current computer algorithms for encryption. Algebraic principles are employed in both design and analysis of encryption systems, be it matrix, linear feedback shift register sequence, or linear congruential random number generator sequence efforts. Further investigation is made of the mathematics of breaking machine ciphers and of designing modern public-key crypto systems.

3 Credit Hours

MA466 Abstract Algebra

Either Term—Prerequisite: Department approval.

This is an introductory course in modern algebra for cadets who plan to do graduate work in mathematics or theoretical work in the physical sciences or engineering. The emphasis of the course is on group theory, considering such topics as cyclic and abelian groups, normal sub-groups and factor groups, series of groups, and solvable groups. Selected applications are interspersed with the material on group theory. The course concludes with an introduction to rings and fields. One special problem is provided to allow the cadet to do independent research in an area of the cadet's interest.

3 Credit Hours

MA476 Mathematical Statistics

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA206.

This course builds on the foundation presented in the core probability and statistics course to provide a mathematical presentation of the important topics in mathematical statistics. The course begins with a review of probability concepts from the core course, adding additional topics such as transformations of random variables and moment generating functions. To provide the mathematical basis for much of statistical practice, certain limit theorems and sampling distributions are proven. The central focus of the course is distribution theory, to include the theory of estimation and the theory of hypothesis testing.

3 Credit Hours



MA481 Linear Optimization

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA371.

This course emphasizes the applications of optimal solutions to linear algebraic systems using the simplex method of linear programming. This includes an in-depth development of the simplex method, the theory of duality, an analysis of the dual problem, convex hull concepts, integer programming, sensitivity analysis, and the revised simplex procedure. Additional computational techniques that are applicable to specific mathematical models, such as the transportation problem, assignment problem, and network problems, are also studied. Problems illustrating applications are emphasized throughout the course. Use of current technologies to solve problems is also emphasized.

3 Credit Hours

MA484 Partial Differential Equations

First Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

The course is devoted to the solution of the classical partial differential equations of mathematical physics and most engineering fields. For example, these equations describe such diverse phenomena as the flow of heat in a metal plate, the gravitational field of the solar system, the vibration of a structural beam, and the energy levels of the hydrogen atom. The subject matter has application in many fields and should be of interest to mathematics, science, and engineering concentrators. Specific topics covered are the heat, wave, and potential equations; Fourier series; series solutions to ordinary differential equations; special functions; and boundary value problems.

3 Credit Hours

MA485 Applied Complex Variables

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course presents a logical development of complex variable theory sufficient for the development and solution of a number of interesting and practical problems. Residue theory is developed and applied to problems in integration and in the solution of partial differential equations via transform techniques. Conformal mapping theory is used to solve partial differential equations for which the solution is a harmonic function satisfying prescribed boundary conditions. These classical Dirichlet-Neumann problems model phenomena arising in the study of electrostatic potential, equilibrium thermodynamics, incompressible fluids, elasticity, and other areas of continuum mechanics.

3 Credit Hours

MA487 Mathematical Analysis II

First Term—Prerequisite: MA387.

This course is a continuation of MA387. Course coverage includes Riemann and Stieltjes integration, infinite series, sequences and series of functions, uniform convergence, and power series.

3 Credit Hours

MA488 Special Topics in Mathematics

Either Term—Prerequisite: Department approval.

This course provides an in-depth study of a special topic in mathematics not offered elsewhere in the West Point curriculum. Course content will be based on the special expertise of the visiting professor or a senior mathematical science faculty member.



Special requirements:
To be determined by the course director.

3 Credit Hours

MA489 Advanced Individual Study in Mathematics

Either Term—Prerequisite: Department approval.

This is essentially a tutorial course or an individual project offered to a limited number of highly qualified cadets who have the knowledge and desire to pursue advanced study in a specific field of mathematics. The course work will be tailored to suit the individual needs.

3 Credit Hours

MA490 Applied Problems in Math, Science, & Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisite: Completion of mathematics core curriculum.

This course is intended to serve as an integrative experience for cadets of all majors. Cadets, having completed the core mathematics program, will be given the opportunity to develop skills in model construction and analysis while addressing problems and scenarios with practical applications from science, social sciences, engineering, computer science, and/or mathematics. Interdisciplinary projects based on actual modeling scenarios are used to integrate the various topics into a coherent theme.

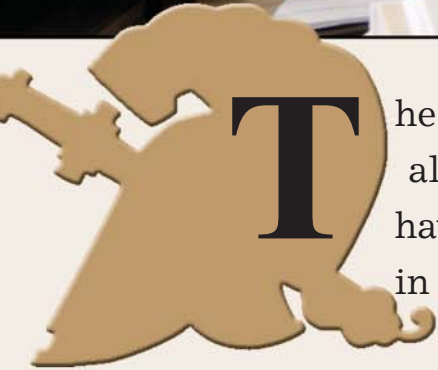
3 Credit Hours

MA491 Research Seminar in Applied Mathematics

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA391 or consent of course director.

The cadet integrates the mathematical concepts and techniques learned in previous courses with the principles developed throughout the entire West Point curriculum to solve a current problem of interest to the cadet, to the academy, or to agencies in the Department of Army. Cadets may select problems from a list of suitable projects provided by the Department of Mathematical Sciences. Cadets select a faculty advisor who has an interest and background in the problem. Cadets may work individually or in small teams, depending on the nature of the research. Regular workshop sessions will be held. Cadets will be given an opportunity to present their research at the Service Academies Cadet Mathematics Conference and/or other undergraduate conferences. Research reports will be reviewed, edited, and compiled into the USMA Transactions on Cadet Mathematical Research.

3 Credit Hours



The Department of Physics offers core courses designed to give all cadets a basic understanding of physics. Our modern lives have been overwhelmingly affected by the discoveries of physics in the 20th century. It is through physics that we have come to understand the fundamentals of nuclear energy, semiconductors, lasers, fiber optics, the interaction of radiation with matter, and even the workings of the universe. It is through this basic understanding that applied scientists and engineers have developed and assembled the myriad of technical devices that are so much a part of modern life. A two-semester core course in physics is taught to all cadets during their sophomore year at West Point. Cadets having an interest in physics may select a major in Physics or Basic Science. The Department of Physics is also responsible for the Nuclear Engineering Program, which offers a core engineering sequence in nuclear engineering, a Nuclear Engineering major, and a Nuclear Engineering Science major.



Physics Major and Basic Science Major

The Physics major is designed to equip graduates with knowledge of scientific principles and experimental techniques that will prepare them to lead Army science and technology efforts in the future. The major includes a thorough grounding in the fundamentals of theoretical physics that prepares cadets for the possibility of future graduate studies. The Department of Physics also sponsors, jointly with the Department of Chemistry and Life Science, a Basic Science major. This major offers a great deal of flexibility within the three scientific disciplines offered by the departments. Interested cadets meet with a department counselor to choose a slate of 10 courses, within certain guidelines, that best fits their educational goals and needs.

Core Sequence in Nuclear Engineering

The Department of Physics offers a three-course sequence in nuclear engineering taken by non-engineering cadets to fulfill the core requirement for engineering science and design. The sequence

teaches cadets to apply nuclear science and engineering skills in the application of nuclear energy, neutronics, thermal-hydraulics, power production, safety, economics, nuclear weapons, and weapons effects.

Nuclear Engineering Major and Nuclear Engineering Science Major

The Nuclear Engineering major is designed to provide depth of knowledge in the application of nuclear energy to include power production, radiation health physics, nuclear weapons, and weapons effects. The major is taught through multiple departments and includes 17 interdisciplinary courses from physics, mathematics, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, environmental engineering, and nuclear engineering. This major will seek accreditation in 2008 by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. The Nuclear Engineering Science major provides

depth of knowledge in the application of nuclear energy; however, not as much depth as in the Nuclear Engineering major. The Nuclear Engineering Science major is taught through multiple departments and includes 13 interdisciplinary courses from physics, mathematics, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, environmental engineering, and nuclear engineering.

The nuclear engineering cadet will gain a broad background for further study in graduate school and Army assignments requiring expertise in nuclear engineering, civil and mechanical engineering, applied radiation physics, nuclear weapons and weapons effects, or any of a variety of related fields. The goal of the nuclear engineering program is to provide the cadet with high-quality instruction in a positive learning environment that fosters the development of critical thinking skills, and a fundamental understanding of three educational threads interwoven throughout the program: experimental (hands-on), engineering design, and computational threads. The graduate is well-



prepared to excel as an officer and an engineer and to address complex technical problems in a rapidly changing, high-technology Army.

Graduates who major in nuclear engineering:

1. As Army leaders, solve complex, multi-disciplinary problems for the Army and the nation, including:
 - a. Recognizing and fully defining the physical, technological, social, political, economic, and ethical aspects of a complex problem.
 - b. Using a methodical process to solve the problem.
 - c. Demonstrating creativity and logical thinking in the formulation of possible solutions.
 - d. Using appropriate techniques and tools to enhance the problem-solving process.
 - e. Developing high-quality solutions that

consider the technological, social, political, economic, and ethical dimensions of the problem.

2. Demonstrate the necessary leadership and teamwork skills to work in multi-disciplinary team environments.
3. Are prepared to provide appropriate nuclear and radiological engineering expertise to the Army, when called upon to do so.
4. Communicate effectively, orally and in writing.
5. Continue to grow intellectually and professionally as Army officers and as engineers.

PH201 Physics I

First Term—Prerequisites: MA103 and MA104 or equivalent. **Corequisite:** MA205.

This is the first course of a two-semester, calculus-based physics sequence. This course consists

of an introduction to nuclear physics and a comprehensive study of classical mechanics, which is designed to promote scientific literacy and to develop the use of scientific modes of thought to solve complex problems. Topics include a survey of nuclear physics and a detailed study of the laws of motion, conservation of energy, and conservation of momentum. An integrated laboratory program illustrates basic scientific techniques and serves to stimulate intellectual curiosity. The core physics program is designed to demonstrate the relevance of physics to military technology and to help prepare future Army leaders to anticipate and adapt to technological change. For selected cadets with demonstrated strengths in mathematics and science, PH251 offers an accelerated and more thorough study of the PH201 course.

3.5 Credit Hours

PH202 Physics II

Second Term—Prerequisite: PH201.

This is the second course of a two-semester, calculus-based physics sequence. It consists of a comprehensive study of electromagnetism and optics designed to promote scientific literacy and to develop the use of scientific modes of thought to solve complex problems. Topics include a detailed study of electrostatics, magnetism, circuits, geometric optics, and wave optics. An integrated laboratory program illustrates basic scientific techniques and serves to stimulate intellectual curiosity. The core physics program is designed to demonstrate the relevance of physics to military technology and to help prepare future Army leaders to anticipate and adapt to technological change. For selected cadets with demonstrated strengths in mathematics and science, PH252 offers an accelerated and more thorough study of the PH202 course.

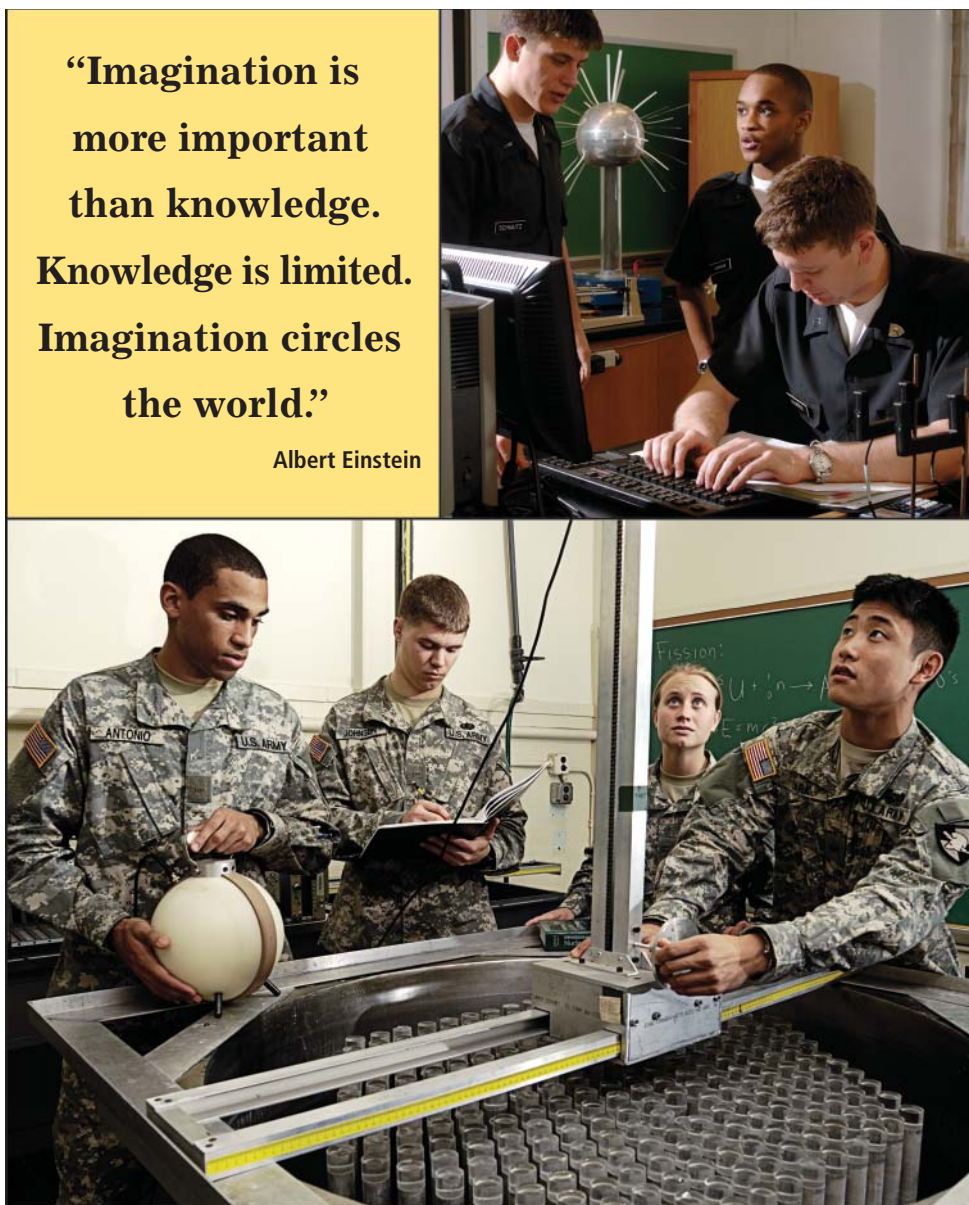
3.5 Credit Hours

PH361 Experimental Physics

First Term—Corequisite: PH365.

This course provides instruction and experimental experiences designed to exercise the cadet's knowledge of classical and modern physics and to extend his or her familiarity with equipment and techniques used in a physical science laboratory. Cadets, working in groups, execute and report on experimental projects. The program of instruction includes familiarization with mechanical design, electronics and instrumentation, data analysis, and laboratory procedures and practices. Knowledge and skills acquired in this course are essential for subsequent laboratory work in lasers and optics and applied quantum physics.

3.5 Credit Hours



“Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination circles the world.”

Albert Einstein



PH363 Mathematical Physics

First Term—Prerequisites: PH204 and MA205 or equivalents.

This course introduces the physics major to the methods and foundations of mathematical physics. Topics covered include ordinary differential equations, Sturm-Liouville theory, orthogonal functions, the partial differential equations of classical and quantum physics, and integral transforms. Mathematical methods are taught in the context of physical modeling.

3 Credit Hours

PH365 Modern Physics

First Term—Prerequisite: PH202 or PH252.

This course introduces special relativity and the fundamental concepts of quantum physics with application to atomic physics and nuclear physics in order to prepare cadets for advanced study of science and engineering, especially quantum mechanics, statistical physics, nuclear physics, laser physics, medical radiation physics, and nuclear engineering. This course will also be of interest to any cadet who wishes to gain a deeper appreciation of the natural world or of the technology of the 21st Century.

3 Credit Hours

PH366 Applied Quantum Physics

Second Term—Prerequisites: PH361, PH363, and PH365.

This course uses the experimental and laboratory skills developed in PH361 to explore the applications of the 20th century developments studied in PH365. The topics covered will vary but may include molecular structure, the properties of solids including metals and semiconductors, nuclear physics, and elementary particle physics.

3.5 Credit Hours

PH374 Medical Radiation Physics

Second Term—Prerequisites: PH202 or PH252, PH365, and NE300.

This course describes the application of physics to medicine and radiology and to the science and art of protecting human beings from injury by radiation while providing for the beneficial uses of radiation. Topics include elementary radiobiology, biological effects of radiation, production and uses of x-rays in medicine, production and uses of radio-pharmaceuticals, radiation measurement and dosimetry, magnetic resonance imaging, ultrasound, computerized tomography, health physics and Federal and Army regulations relating to radiation safety.

3 Credit Hours



PH381 Intermediate Classical Mechanics

Second Term—Prerequisite: PH363.

This course continues the development of physical principles introduced in the core physics curriculum. Direct application of Newton's laws is used to analyze phenomena such as projectile motion with air resistance, charged particle motion, and motion in a central force field. Harmonic, driven, and damped oscillations are studied in depth, as are systems of coupled oscillators. The formalism of Lagrangian mechanics is studied in depth. The mathematical tools of classical mechanics are introduced, to include vector fields, line integrals, the calculus of variations, linear algebra, and eigenvalue equations. Cadets will be required to develop and demonstrate the ability to use a computer algebra system to solve advanced problems and plot the solutions.

3 Credit Hours

PH382 Intermediate Electrodynamics

Second Term—Prerequisite: PH363.

This course continues the study of classical electrodynamics introduced in the introductory physics sequence by developing the differential forms of the Maxwell equations and applying them to boundary value problems in two and three dimensions. In addition, scalar and vector potentials are introduced, multipole field expansions are developed for complex sources, electromagnetic fields in dielectric and magnetic media are studied, the propagation of electromagnetic waves in conducting and non-conducting media is considered and electromagnetic radiation is introduced. The course concludes with the study of the connection between special relativity and electrodynamics. This course provides an essential foundation for courses in optics, lasers, quantum mechanics, statistical mechanics, and solid state physics.

3 Credit Hours

PH456 Science and Policy

Second Term—Prerequisite: None.

This course challenges cadets to draw upon their core academic experience to analyze complex policy issues. The relationship and interaction among social, political, economic, and technological dimensions of these issues are explored. Emphasis is given to gaining an understanding of both the power and limitations of science and scientific thinking when confronting problems in the policy arena.

3 Credit Hours

PH472 Space and Astrophysics

Second Term—Prerequisite: PH365.
Corequisite: PH381.

This course is an introduction to two related-but not identical-disciplines of physics: space physics and astrophysics. Space physics is concerned with understanding the environment between the sun and the Earth's upper atmosphere. Coronal mass ejections, the solar wind, magnetospheric storms, and auroral precipitation are among the many phenomena studied in the context of space physics. Astrophysics is a study of stellar structure and evolution, galactic structure, and cosmology. Phenomena of interest include quasars, black holes, supernovas, and the cosmic microwave background radiation. The relative emphasis given to the two disciplines varies depending on the background of the instructor.

3 Credit Hours



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production that
is not subject
to diminishing
returns.”

J. M. Clark

PH477 Lasers and Optics

First Term—Prerequisites: PH361 and PH365.
Corequisite: PH382.

This course provides intermediate development in the concepts of geometric, wave, and quantum optics and their application to laser systems. Primary coverage includes common optical devices, light transmission through optical media, diffraction, interference and polarization. This course then provides a combined theoretical and experimental investigation into the realm of coherent optical radiation generation, amplification, propagation, and application. Cadets apply the basic principles of electromagnetism, optics, and modern physics to analyze specific laser systems, and experiments are performed to demonstrate properties of specific optical and laser systems. The theory of laser gain and amplification is investigated using semi-classical methods.

3.5 Credit Hours

PH481 Statistical Physics

First Term—Prerequisites: PH363, PH365, and MA206.

This course applies basic concepts of probability and statistics to systems consisting of a large number of particles to determine measurable macroscopic quantities such as temperature, pressure, energy, and heat capacity. Emphasis is placed on the calculation of the canonical and grand canonical partition functions for various model physical systems. Particular attention is focused on three ideal gas systems: a gas consisting of massive Maxwell-Boltzmann particles, a gas consisting of massless bosons (i.e., photons), and a gas consisting of fermions.

3 Credit Hours

PH482 Advanced Classical Mechanics

Second Term—Prerequisite: PH381.

This course continues the development of concepts introduced in PH381. Hamiltonian mechanics are explored using the calculus of variations to provide a foundation for connecting classical mechanics, quantum mechanics, and statistical mechanics. The two-body central force problem, the mechanics of rotating systems, and scattering theory are studied in depth. The mathematical techniques associated with cylindrical, spherical, and curvilinear coordinates are introduced, as are the basic principles of nonlinear dynamics and chaos. Cadets will be required to develop and demonstrate the ability to use a computer algebra system to solve advanced problems and plot the solutions.

3 Credit Hours

PH484 Quantum Mechanics

Second Term—Prerequisites: PH365, PH382, and MA482.

This course begins with a basic introduction to the fundamental postulates of quantum theory. These postulates are then used to develop Heisenberg's uncertainty principle and Schroedinger's equation. Solutions to Schroedinger's equation are sought, first for relatively simple systems such as square wells and harmonic oscillators, and then for the hydrogen atom. The properties of the hydrogen atom are studied in detail. The course also covers approximation methods used for physical systems with small perturbing forces acting on them.

3 Credit Hours

PH489 Advanced Individual Study in Physics

First or Second Term—Prerequisites: PH365, PH361, and permission of the head of department.

This course is an individually supervised research and study program to familiarize students with advanced scientific procedures and techniques. The primary purpose is to acquaint cadets with the essential features of independent research in physics. With the approval of the Head of the Department, the cadet chooses a research project currently in progress in the Department, and is supervised by a faculty member conducting the research.

3 Credit Hours

PH495 Special Topics in Physics

First Term—Prerequisite: PH202 or PH252.

This course is taught by the Class of 1967 Endowed Chair, a visiting scholar with a distinguished record of academic and professional achievement in the field of engineering, science, and technology. The Special Topics in Physics focuses on topical issues that reflect the Chair's area of expertise. Students will apply math, science, and engineering fundamentals they have learned to these studies.

3 Credit Hours

NE300 Nuclear Reactor Analysis

First Term—Prerequisite: PH202 or PH252.

This course provides the student with an understanding of the fundamental physical principles involved in nuclear fission and the operation of nuclear reactors. Starting with a brief study of relevant topics from modern physics, the course covers neutron interactions with matter, fission, diffusion, neutron moderation, and criticality of various reactor types. This course is essential for the nuclear engineer and is an excellent choice for the applied scientist.

3 Credit Hours



NE350 Nuclear Reactor Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: NE300.

This course focuses on nuclear reactor systems, the release of nuclear energy in the reactor core, and its removal as heat for producing electric power. Specific topics emphasize reactor kinetics, heat transfer within the reactor, and control and design of the reactor core. Design projects apply the concepts presented in this course to the solution of practical problems.

3 Credit Hours

NE355 Advanced Nuclear Reactor Design

Second Term—Prerequisite: NE300.

This course is an advanced version of the Nuclear Engineering Core Sequence course NE350. This course focuses on nuclear reactor systems, the release of nuclear energy in the reactor core, and its removal as heat for producing electric power. Specific topics emphasize reactor kinetics, heterogeneous reactors, control rods and shim, reactor poisons, heat transfer, and control and design of the reactor core. The fundamentals of transport theory and the solution to the transport equation using Monte Carlo N-Particle (MCNPX) transport code are introduced. Design projects apply the concepts presented to practical problems.

3.5 Credit Hours

NE400 Nuclear Engineering Seminar

Second Term—Prerequisite: None.

This seminar will meet once each week and will include all First Class cadets majoring in nuclear engineering. The seminar topics will address the concerns of professional nuclear engineers such as engineering ethics, economics, and licensing procedures. Guest lectures will discuss topics of current interest in the field of nuclear engineering to include DoD initiatives in FA52 (nuclear and counterproliferation.) Much of the seminar material will be presented by guest lecturers from the military, industrial, and academic communities.

1 Credit Hour

NE450 Nuclear Weapons and Weapons Effects

First Term—Prerequisite: NE300.

The course focuses on ionizing radiation, nuclear weapons design, and nuclear weapons effects. Specific topics emphasize the design fundamentals of nuclear weapons (fission and fusion bombs), the interaction of radiation with matter, biological effects of radiation, the concepts of dirty bombs, calculating and understanding nuclear weapons effects such as: the blast effects, thermal radiation effects; radiation and fallout effects; and electromagnetic pulse effects.

3 Credit Hours

NE452 Instrumentation and Shielding

First Term—Prerequisites: NE350 or NE355, and PH374.

This course focuses on nuclear instrumentation and radiation detectors, and on biological and material radiation protection through shielding. Specific topics include a study of radiation, and radiation detection devices to include: ionization chambers, proportional counters, Geiger- Mueller counters, scintillation detectors, semiconductor diode detectors, germanium and sodium iodide gamma-ray detectors, and neutron detectors. Radiation shielding, as a force protection measure, includes the design, analysis, and confirmation of radiation shields using point kernel and removal diffusion methods. Emphasis is placed on practical application of the radiation-detection instruments and the associated acquisition software. This course is required for the Nuclear Engineering major and the Nuclear Engineering Science major.

3.5 Credit Hours

NE489 Advanced Individual Study in Nuclear Engineering

First or Second Term—Prerequisites: PH365 and NE355.

This course is an individually supervised research and study program to familiarize cadets with advanced nuclear or radiological engineering procedures and techniques. The primary purpose is to acquaint students with the essential features of independent research in nuclear or radiological engineering. With the approval of the head of the department, the cadet chooses a research project currently in progress in the department and is supervised by a faculty member conducting the research.

3 Credit Hours

NE496 Advanced Nuclear System Design Project

Second Term—Prerequisites: NE355 and NE452.

This course provides experience in the integration of math, science, and engineering principles into a comprehensive nuclear system design project. The design project emphasizes a multidisciplinary approach to total system design providing multiple paths to a number of feasible and acceptable solutions that meet the stated performance requirements. Design teams are required to develop product specifications, generate alternatives, make practical engineering approximations, and perform appropriate analysis to support the technical feasibility of the design, make decisions leading to an optimal system design, and brief their interim results during in-process reviews (IPRs). Topics such as nuclear fuels and fuel management, economics, and the Code of Federal Regulations are introduced.

3 Credit Hours





The Department of Social Sciences teaches courses in the interrelated fields of economics and political science. Each core and elective course endeavors to give cadets a basic understanding of the subject matter, to present a methodology for solving real-world problems, and to indicate the relevance of the course material to the cadet's future duties and responsibilities as a citizen and an officer.



All Third Class cadets are required to pass or validate SS201 Economics: Principles and Problems, and SS202 American Politics. Second Class cadets are required to pass or validate SS307 International Relations. The Department of Social Sciences offers majors in Economics and Political Science. The department also supports the interdisciplinary fields of Foreign Area Studies and Management.

Economics Major

This field provides insights into the basic social questions of what a society should produce, how that output can be produced most efficiently, and how the output should be distributed. The field includes required courses on the national economy, decision making by firms and individuals, and applications of economic principles to national security issues.

In addition, there are courses on international trade, comparative economic systems, accounting, managerial economics, and financial institutions. In each course, the emphasis is on the development of principles that can be applied to help resolve important public policy issues.

The Economics major supports graduate study in the social sciences in general, with particular relevance to economics, operations research, engineering management, business administration, and domestic and international affairs. Cadets who meet GPA requirements and complete two additional courses, including a thesis, qualify for the major with honors.

Political Science Major

Cadets studying political science take electives that introduce them to the methods, theories, and scope of the discipline. Within their elective program, cadets select courses that focus their studies in one of three fields: American, comparative, or international politics.

American Politics

These electives examine American political traditions and the philosophical origins of American politics, political institutions, decision-making processes, and public policy. Cadets learn to research and analyze political phenomena by focusing on the domestic political environment.

Comparative Politics

These electives examine political questions from a cross-cultural perspective. Cadets learn about the nature and importance of political institutions by studying them in a variety of environments and regions. Two main questions in this field are: "What causes stability or instability with states?" and "What factors determine a state's regime type?"

International Politics

Courses in this field focus on two central questions: "Why do states act the way they do?" and "How do international relations reflect cooperation and conflict?" Cadets learn theories of international behavior and examine the impact of domestic institutions and problems on international relations. Courses address both historical patterns of relations and current issues of cooperation and conflict in the international system.

The political science major supports graduate study in the social sciences in general, with particular relevance to international affairs, public policy/administration, area studies, and conflict resolution. Cadets who meet GPA requirements and complete two additional courses, including a thesis, qualify for the major with honors.

Standard Courses

SS201 Economics: Principles and Problems

Either Term—Corequisite: MA104. Advanced version (SS251) offered to selected cadets.

This standard course presents the basic principles of economic analysis and their application to contemporary economic problems and supports the further study of economics and related disciplines in the Social Sciences. The course is organized into three general sections: Microeconomics, outlining basic theory of allocation by supply and demand in a market economy and relating this theory to contemporary issues; Macroeconomics, surveying the theory of aggregate economics and illustrating the application of macroeconomic theory to public policy in the American economy; and International Economics. Cadets examine the implications of economics on national security and defense as well as current policy issues, and the use of economic analysis to improve decisions they will make as Army officers.

3.5 Credit Hours

SS202 Introduction to American Politics, Policy, and Strategy

Either Term—Prerequisite: None. Advanced version (SS252) offered to selected cadets.

This course introduces cadets to the fundamentals of American politics and to contrasting theoretical views of American democracy. The thematic focus of the course rests in the two questions "who governs?" and "How democratic is America?" The course begins with a study of the constitutional foundations of American government and then examines political participation, political institutions, and policymaking processes. Emphasis is placed on the theoretical interpretation of political phenomena. Most classes are conducted as seminars, with a few sessions devoted entirely to lecture. Guest lecturers and simulations supplement in-class work.

3.5 Credit Hours

SS251 Advanced Economics

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA104; substitute for SS201. Enrollment requires approval of the course director.

This advanced version of SS201 presents the basic principles of economic analysis with a greater focus on their application to contemporary economic problems. The course is organized into three general sections: Microeconomics, outlining basic theory of allocation by supply and demand in a market economy and relating this theory to contemporary issues; Macroeconomics, surveying the theory of aggregate economics and illustrating the application of macroeconomic theory to public policy in the American economy; and International Economics, introducing trade theory and comparative advantage. Cadets examine and present their analyses of the implications of economics on national security, defense, including current policy issues, and learn the use of economic analysis to improve decisions they will make as Army officers.

3.5 Credit Hours

SS252 Advanced American Politics

Either Term—Prerequisite: Substitute for SS202. Enrollment requires approval of the course director.

This course provides selected students the opportunity to examine political power, political organization, and political action. The structure of the course is similar to that discussed in SS202 (listed above). Cadets will learn how political scientists analyze the events and behaviors called "politics" using theoretical perspectives. Cadets will sharpen their critical thinking and writing skills through a research project, case studies, and class presentations.

3.5 Credit Hours

SS307 International Relations

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252. Corequisite: SS201 or SS251. Advanced version (SS357) offered to selected cadets.

NOTE: Cadets normally take this course during their third year. With a waiver, approved by the head of the Social Sciences Department, some cadets may take this class in their fourth year.

The objectives of this course are to provide cadets with an introduction to the fundamental concepts of international politics and the analytical tools necessary to evaluate "why states do what they do." In accomplishing these objectives, SS307 builds upon a cadet's prior academic training in history, English and philosophy, economics, and political science. Emphasizing intellectual pluralism, SS307 focuses on the value of consciously applying different theoretical perspectives to international events to obtain improved understanding. Cadets examine key issues such as the consequences of anarchy,



the need for security, the role of power, the use of force, international trade and markets, alternative political philosophies, foreign policymaking, and the influence of culture in international affairs.

3.5 Credit Hours

SS357 Advanced International Relations

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252.
Corequisite: SS201 or SS251. Enrollment requires approval of the course director.

This advanced version of SS307 presents cadets with an introduction to the fundamental concepts of international politics and the analytical tools necessary to evaluate “why states do what they do” with a more in-depth focus on their application to current international events. SS357 also introduces cadets to a wider range of theoretical approaches and applications. Emphasis is on rigorous, critical analysis and classroom discussion.

3.5 Credit Hours

SS360 Political Analysis

Either Term—Prerequisite: None.
Corequisite: SS307/SS357. **Disqualifier:** SS368.

This course is an introduction to the methods and techniques of research in contemporary political science. It is designed to improve cadets’ ability to think critically about politics. This course differs from many other courses in its emphasis on building critical thinking skills rather than mastering specific facts and theories. The most important of these skills are inference and causal reasoning. Rather than simply accepting “expert” answers to fundamental questions of political life, cadets will learn how to critically evaluate previous answers offered by others. Much of this course is devoted to practical exercises in which cadets put various research methods to work to answer important questions

relevant to the field of political science. The course covers the philosophy of science, experimental method in the social sciences, quantitative analysis, and survey research.

3 Credit Hours

SS364 Game Theory

Second Term—Prerequisites: MA206 and SS307/SS357.

Game theory is designed to provide cadets with the tools necessary to think through the various courses of action available as they face uncertain situations, determine market reaction to each alternative, identify the costs and benefits of each course of action, and select the course of action that minimizes cost while maximizing benefits. The purpose of this course is to introduce cadets to the application of strategic thinking to tactical scenarios. This course consists of two components that are taught concurrently. The first component is the introduction of basic game theory, and the second component is the application of those theories to tactical and strategic choice scenarios.

3 Credit Hours

SS366 Comparative Politics

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252.
Corequisite: SS307.

The objectives of this course are to analyze the sources of stability or instability in political regimes and to examine the conditions that promote either democracy or dictatorship. Our first task is to describe different regimes: What do we mean when we call one democratic and another authoritarian? We approach this first task by building a regime model. As we do so, we seek to understand what makes political regimes stable or unstable by analyzing their effectiveness, popular legitimacy,

and institutional adaptability. All regimes are challenged by change, but some remain stable in the face of change, while others are transformed. Why? And is it possible to argue that there is a “best” type of regime? Are there universally valid criteria – across time and space – that we can use to compare regimes? Why do regimes succeed, fail, and change? As well as being central to the discipline of political science, these questions also play an important role in world politics and the formulation of U.S. foreign policy. Since we are both students of political science and professionals who will serve as policy executors, the study of comparative politics offers significant rewards. After building the model, we take it through various regions of the world using the comparative method, analyzing the variables that change from regime to regime in liberal democracies, communist and post-communist states, newly industrializing and less-developed countries, and the Islamic world.

3 Credit Hours

SS368 Econometrics 1

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA206.
Disqualifier: SS360.

This course teaches cadets how to quantify, test, and employ economic theories as they are used in real-world applications. The course covers the use of economic theory and data in the construction, estimation, and interpretation of econometric models. Special emphasis is placed on estimation of parameters of economic models and statistical inference using estimated models to determine the validity of economic theories. The primary mathematical tool employed in the course is multiple regression analysis. A number of applications demonstrate the use of the techniques studied.

3 Credit Hours



SS370 Mass Media and American Politics

Either Term—Prerequisites: SS202/SS252.

This seminar introduces cadets to what is perhaps the single most influential private institution in the American political system – oftentimes referred to as the “fourth branch” or “fourth estate” of American government. The mass media, to include newspapers, television journalism, radio, the arts, and the internet, receive both theoretical and practical inquiry. In particular, the roles, motivations, and effects of the constitutionally protected media on American political institutions and policymaking are extensively probed. One-third of the course is dedicated to the study of the relationship between the military and the media in order to develop meaningful policy prescriptions for future deployments, and another third of the classes are dedicated to prominent guest speakers. Finally, the semester is topped off with a trip section to New York City to meet with The New York Times, Fox News and MSNBC to round out the educational experience.

3 Credit Hours

SS372 Politics and Government of China

First Term—Prerequisites: SS307/SS357 and SS366. **Corequisite:** SS360.

This is a lecture/seminar course designed to introduce cadets to the politics and government of China. In particular, cadets will study the domestic politics of China beginning with the rise of the Chinese Communist movement. China’s unique culture and the Mao years are examined as well as their impact on the past and emerging political system. Recent reforms and their implications for political, social, economic, and military structures and processes, as well as the tensions that have evolved, will be examined. External developments, such as Hong Kong’s reversion to China, developments in Taiwan, changes in Central Asia, and China’s emergence as a regional and world power, will be considered. What are the different approaches to analyzing Chinese politics and government? What factors determine state legitimacy and influence internal choices? How does China’s domestic situation influence its external relations?

3 Credit Hours

SS373 The American Presidency

First Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252. **Corequisite:** SS386 or SS360.

This course examines the role of the presidency in the American political system. It begins by analyzing the constitutional origins of the presidency and the evolution of presidential power. It then turns to the development of the modern presidency in the 20th century, with particular attention to the administrations from Franklin D. Roosevelt to the present. The course also examines the presidential selection process, conflict and cooperation between the presidency and other national institutions, and executive performance in domestic and foreign policy. The course evaluates the development of the presidency as an institution through case studies of individual presidential power and leadership.

3 Credit Hours

SS374 Politics and Governments of the Koreas and Japan

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS307/SS357. **Corequisite:** SS360.

This is a seminar course designed to introduce cadets to the politics and government in Japan and the Koreas. Cadets draw on an appreciation and understanding of culture, history, sociology, economic and political science foundations in studying the actors and relationships in Northeast Asia. Focusing on how ethnic, social, cultural, and economic factors determine state legitimacy and influence internal state choices, cadets explore the cooperation and competition between Japan, Korea, and the U.S. The course incorporates an examination of U.S. foreign policy toward Japan and Korea and explores the prospects for productive, stable relationships.

3 Credit Hours

SS375 Governments and Politics of Russia and Neighbors

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS307/SS357 and SS366. **Corequisite:** SS360.

This course surveys the post-Soviet landscape. It explores the political, social, economic, and cultural terrain of Russia and the other states that emerged after the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991. The course begins with a review of Russian and Soviet history – the foundation to understanding the dramatic implosion of the Soviet Union and the tumultuous events that followed. The course also employs theories and concepts to help the cadet assess why democratization and marketization have been so difficult in this part of the world. The course concludes with an examination of U.S. foreign policy toward the region and the prospects for productive, stable ties with Russia and its neighbors.

3 Credit Hours

SS376 Public Administration and Organizational Politics

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252. **Corequisite:** SS360 or SS386.

In this course we will explore public administration with specific emphasis on organizational and bureaucratic politics. First, cadets will seek to understand various theories concerning the creation and functionality of political organizations. Cadets will then apply this knowledge to a range of case studies within American government and administration. Cadets will strive to think critically about the structure and function of all organizations ranging from a local community advisory board to the Department of Defense. With this knowledge, cadets will gain a better understanding of the place of a Soldier within the community, the Army, the state, and beyond.

3 Credit Hours

SS377 Politics and Governments of Europe

First Term—Prerequisites: SS307/SS357 and SS366. **Corequisite:** SS360.

This course focuses on the political systems and cultures of the European Union (EU) and its member states. First, the cadet is introduced to the EU, its historical development and institutional design. Implications of deepening European integration on international relations theory and state sovereignty are explored in depth. This block culminates with a study of transatlantic security issues. Cadets will explore possibilities for cooperation or role competition between the military forces of the EU and NATO, with a focus on the influence of the U.S. on the European continent. This theme continues to be highlighted throughout the remainder of the course. After this introductory block, cadets will get an overview of European state politics and look at several country case studies, both for current and aspiring member states of the EU, including a focus on democratization and the post-communist legacy in Eastern Europe. Themes that run through each case study include how history affects political culture and institutional design within European states and how these differing cultures and systems have been integrated into, or conflicted with, an increasingly centralized EU. Concepts learned in the course will be continuously applied to discussion of current challenges facing the EU and its member states.

3 Credit Hours

SS378 Advanced International Relations Theory

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS307/SS357.
Corequisite: SS360.

This course uses the foundation provided by SS307/357 to provide cadets with an in-depth assessment of the field of international relations. The course begins by evaluating alternative theoretical perspectives, including realism, liberalism/institutionalism, and constructivism. Cadets are introduced to classic as well as contemporary works, which are examined in terms of their cultural, political, and academic context. Cadets examine topical cases pertaining to war, wealth, and state formation/transformation. Throughout the course, cadets explore the value and limitations of IR theory in framing and implementing policy.

3 Credit Hours

SS379 Legislative Politics

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252.
Corequisite: SS360 or SS386.

This course deals principally with the U.S. Congress but also considers other legislatures, including those of state governments. It focuses on the role of legislatures in political systems. The course addresses the development of the U.S. Congress, the behavior of legislators, the workings of committees, and the responsibilities of legislative leaders. Case studies, practical exercises, and guest lecturers are used to highlight these topics. Emphasis is also placed on the Congressional Budget Process as well as the impact of Congress on military, economic, and international issues, domestic, foreign and economic policy.

3 Credit Hours

SS380 Manpower-Labor Economics

First Term—Prerequisites: SS382 and SS368.

This course studies the nature and determinants of pay and employment. The course emphasizes the role of institutions that are significant in determining the pattern and speed of adjustment in the labor market. The traditional tools of micro and macroeconomics and econometrics are employed. Military manpower is examined as an application of the theories developed during the course.

3 Credit Hours

SS381 Cultural and Political Anthropology

First Term—Prerequisite: SS307/SS357. **Corequisite:** SS360, SS366 or permission of instructor.

The overall course goal is to provide a rich and interesting introduction to the field of anthropology. Anthropology is a holistic discipline encompassing elements of political science, economics, sociology, linguistics, and psychology. Emphasizing that one's culture is a "learned" condition, cadets explore the concept of cultural relativism and gain an appreciation for the diversity of human cultures and the interrelation of social, political and economic organizations. Cadets also examine the sub-discipline of applied anthropology, which seeks to solve contemporary social/political problems such as ethnic conflict. As a highlight of this course, cadets actively conduct anthropological fieldwork within the West Point community. Cadets develop their personal abilities to recognize their own personal biases and therefore better understand, interact and communicate with peoples from other cultural backgrounds. This is a crucial skill for future Army officers in the 21st century as recent deployment patterns have shown Soldiers operating in non-traditional situations.

3 Credit Hours

SS382 Microeconomics

First Term—Prerequisites: SS201/SS251 and MA205.

This course is a theory course in which cadets develop a thorough understanding of microeconomic modeling and models; it is a prerequisite for most downstream economics electives. The course develops a methodology that economists use to study the interaction among individual economic agents (such as consumers, firms, and the government) and the allocation of scarce resources among these agents. The goal is for cadets to understand optimization, market, and, to some extent, policymaking, using an integrated, theoretical model. Ultimately the consequence of a change in the market environment, in public policy or in the global economy can be assessed vis-à-vis its impact on individual economic agents.

3 Credit Hours

SS383 Politics and Governments of the Middle East

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS307/SS357 and SS366. **Corequisite:** SS360 or permission of instructor.

The Middle East is an area of constant and significant change. This course provides an overview of the Middle East (including the Arab world, Iran, Israel and Turkey) and focuses on the historical and political dynamics that influenced and continue to shape change in the region. Several issues will be treated in detail including: religion and state in Islam, political competition among the Arab states, the Palestinian question and the Arab-Israeli conflict, oil and the Gulf States, and the meaning of non-regional power influence in the region.

3 Credit Hours

SS384 Politics and Governments of Latin America

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS307/SS357 and SS366. **Corequisite:** SS360, or permission of instructor.

This course provides an introduction to the study of the politics, political institutions, and international relations of Latin America, including Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America. It surveys the state of Latin America in the post-Cold War world with an emphasis on modernization, democratic stabilization, and economic interdependence through the comparison of the interrelated nature of policy, society, and economy, with cases from each region. The course is divided into five blocks. Block I provides an introduction, conceptual overview, and historical background. Block II focuses on the role of the state, regime types, and modernization, using case studies of key countries in the region. Block III addresses the problems of poverty and economic development. Block IV addresses social issues, including revolutionary movements, and critical problems, such as class, race, and gender. Block V provides an overview of U.S. policy toward the region, including security relations, the role of the military, and contemporary issues, such as counterterrorism and counter-narcotics policy.

3 Credit Hours

SS385 Comparative Economic Systems

First Term—Prerequisite: SS201/SS251.

This course provides cadets with the tools and knowledge for analyzing the effectiveness of different economic systems and efforts to change them. The major course objectives include an examination of the following: the historical evolution of prominent economic philosophy and theory on the functioning of capitalist and non-capitalist systems; the methods of defining and evaluating economic systems in terms of the rules and the cultural, political, legal, financial, and labor institutions that comprise an economy; the methods of institutional and cultural change and the challenges they face in the transition from a command or traditional economy to a market economy; and the paths less-developed countries may pursue toward economic development. At the end of the course cadets understand how differences among nations' economic systems might result in differences in their economic outcomes and how nations might go about changing their systems.

3 Credit Hours



SS386 Political Philosophy and Policy

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS202/SS252.

This course examines the philosophical foundations of both Western liberal democracy and political Islam, and associated policy implications. In the context of the relationship between justice, political philosophy, public policy, and political conflict, cadets will critically engage the works of Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Aquinas, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rawls, Nozick, Sandel, and others for Western liberalism. For political Islam, cadets will examine the life of Muhammad, the first four caliphs, the Umayyad and Abbasid dynasties, the ideas of Ibn Taymiyya, Al-Afghani, Al-Banna, Al-Wahhab, Abduh, Ridha, Mawdudi, Qutb, Khomeni, bin Laden and others, as well as contemporary writings on both “radical” and “liberal” Islam. These respective

examinations are followed by a third block of lessons analyzing the competing narratives and their relevant foreign and domestic policy implications. Important questions include: How does political philosophy impact public policy, beliefs about legitimacy, political conflict, even public violence and war? Is liberalism a “universal value” essential to human flourishing? How does the West’s view of liberal democracy impact its engagement with the non-Western world? How do founding figures of political Islam define political legitimacy? Does Islam as a theological-political philosophy tend toward radicalism? What is liberal Islam? Cadets will not only understand these important questions, but will also be able to apply the theoretical prescriptions offered by these thinkers to issues currently debated in the American body politic.

3 Credit Hours

SS387 Economics of Public Policy

First Term—Prerequisite: SS201/SS251.

This course adds depth to the cadet’s understanding of the fundamentals of micro- and macroeconomics. In particular, the course examines practical and theoretical issues in social welfare, public expenditures, taxation, and public choice. The course develops understanding of the value of economic models in addressing complex policy questions that occur in a fluid political environment, sharpens analytic skills, and provides a bridge to the higher-level theoretical models used in the study of the national political economy.

3 Credit Hours

SS388 Macroeconomics: Theory and Practice

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS201/SS251.

This course is dedicated to the study of aggregate economic activity. The course examines the determinants of long-run growth, and then addresses short-run economic fluctuations. The course uses various models, including the Solow Growth Model, the IS-IM model, and the Aggregate Demand-Aggregate Supply model. The microeconomic foundations for macroeconomics are discussed, and current macroeconomic policy issues are debated. These issues are discussed within the context of both open and closed economies.

3 Credit Hours

SS391 Finance for Army Leaders

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS368 or SS360.

This course addresses most of the major personal financial planning issues cadets will face as individuals and as Army leaders. The course incorporates all of the latest concepts and procedures used in sound financial planning and effective money management. The course includes the principles of financial planning, budgeting, and time value of money and progresses through investment alternatives, mutual fund selection, and evaluation. Taxes, personal risk management, estate planning, and major purchase planning are covered during the course. The course culminates in development of a formal written financial plan based on the cadet’s projected future situation several years after graduation. Prerequisites include familiarity with applied statistics and regression analysis. Armed with the knowledge and tools from this course, SS391 will provide cadets a set of analytic tools and will help them develop a way of thinking that will assist them in making numerous decisions required of an Army officer.

3 Credit Hours



SS394 Financial Accounting

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS201/SS251.

This course is an organizational leader's introduction to financial and managerial accounting, essential topics for cadets concentrating in engineering management, general management, and economics. Cadets study the accounting cycle in detail, starting with analysis and recording of business transactions, and culminating in the production of the financial statements of the corporation. Cadets also study basic principles of asset valuation, revenue, and cost recognition, and analytical techniques for individual asset, liability, and capital accounts. The Managerial Accounting block is focused on cost-volume-profit analysis, job-order costing, and activity-based costing. The course culminates with a complete financial statement analysis comparison of three companies that enables cadets to apply the concepts of both financial and managerial accounting to modern corporations to answer the question: "Which company is well-managed today and best-positioned for success in the future?"

3 Credit Hours

SS399 Social Sciences Internship/ Practical Experience

Summer Term—Prerequisite: None.

The Academic Individual Advanced Development (AIAD) program is designed to give cadets practical experience in their fields of study and to reflect on their experiences by completing specified academic requirements. Recent internships involve participation in the American, European, and Russian (AMEURU) program hosted by the University of Maastricht; the Tri-Service Global Spectrum trip to Vietnam; study at the German Marshall Center; the American Institute on Political and Economic Systems (AIPES) in the Czech Republic; the International Institute for Political and Economic Studies (IIPES) in Greece; and the International Studies Program (ISP) in Eastern Europe. Scope, depth and material covered will meet the requirement of a three-credit-hour course in Social Sciences. Grades are determined based on preparatory briefings and essays, a journal of daily activities, the quality of the work performed during the internship, and a final paper, briefing, or exam that incorporates their experiences with a topic from their fields of study, due upon return.

3 Credit Hours

SS464 Homeland Security

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS202/SS252.

The purpose of SS464 is to address the complex challenges of homeland security through an interdisciplinary approach. The goal of this course is to provide future leaders with a thorough understanding of the homeland security policy area. This course explores how the evolving nature of the terrorist threat, particularly catastrophic terrorism, poses unprecedented and complex challenges to how America provides for its security. The course examines how homeland security policy intersects with other domestic and foreign policy issues, how our federalist system of government affects homeland security, and how moral, ethical, and civil liberties concerns complicate the development of effective homeland security policies. By analyzing the threat and developing an understanding of the unique policy problems and tools of homeland security, the course enables students to critically assess national efforts in such areas as border security, domestic counterterrorism policy, critical infrastructure protection, and emergency preparedness and response. Students will learn about the major policy and institutional reforms underway in the homeland security policy area, examine whether these changes are improving or will improve U.S. security policy, and develop their own views on the direction of national homeland security policy. The course will enable students to think critically about how the United States' overseas efforts to combat terrorism, preempt emerging threats, and counter the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction relate to domestic homeland security efforts. By the end of the course, students will gain a solid intellectual foundation to think critically and creatively about America's efforts to prevent terrorist attacks within the United States, reduce our vulnerability to terrorist attack, and minimize the damage and recover from attacks that may occur.

3 Credit Hours

SS465 Terrorism: New Challenges

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS307.

The purpose of SS465 is to address the challenges of terrorism in the current and future global security environment through an interdisciplinary approach. Specifically, this course examines the unique challenge terrorism poses to liberal democratic states, to policymakers and to military professionals. By analyzing the different perspectives of terrorism, given a variety of political and strategic contexts, cadets better understand terrorist motivations, strategies, means, and ends. Finally, the course explores how a liberal democratic state can best fight terrorism in this new threat environment.

3 Credit Hours

SS468 Political Participation

First Term—Prerequisites: SS202/SS252 and SS360 or SS386. **Corequisite:** SS360.

This course provides a broad understanding of the dynamics of political participation. The goals of this course are twofold: First, it comprehensively examines both individual and group participation, as well as the many ways in which participation manifests itself in the democratic process, namely in the form of electoral (voting, campaigning) and non-electoral ("civiness," group action, etc.) behavior. As such, this course will include topics in public opinion, the electoral process, and voting behavior. Second, the approach is both empirical and theoretical. This course examines results of electoral behavior (primarily U.S. national and state elections), complemented with competing theoretical approaches that serve to explain and better understand this behavior.

3 Credit Hours

SS469 Econometrics II

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS368.

This course is an advanced study of concepts in estimation and statistical inference. Building upon the material covered in SS368, cadets learn how to challenge the assumptions of the basic regression model and how to model departures from the standard assumptions during estimation. Topics include Generalized Least Squares, Tim Series, Instrumental Variables, and Simultaneous Equations Estimation. Applications of the techniques to the estimation of economic models using actual economic data are an integral part of the instruction. The course makes substantial use of statistical software packages.

3 Credit Hours

SS470 Money and Banking

First Term—Prerequisite: SS388.

SS470 is a senior-level economics course, the primary purpose of which is to provide depth in the cadet's background and understanding of macroeconomics and international economics. The focus of the course is on the financial sector of the economy that provides the means to transfer savings from firms, households, and governments to investors who want to purchase new capital goods. The course begins by discussing the various types of financial institutions and examines the importance of financial intermediation. The course then identifies how to measure the risks faced by financial institutions and how to manage these same risks.

3 Credit Hours



SS472 American Civil-Military Relations

*First Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252.
Corequisite: SS368 or SS360.*

Since the Vietnam era, the relations between the American armed forces and the society they serve have been well documented. After the establishment of the All-Volunteer Force, military professionalism strengthened in all of the services; defense organizations did adapt to changing needs despite service parochialism; and the interactions between military leaders and political leaders were generally well within the scope of American traditions. Then, during the 1980's, society's demands for remarkable changes in Soldier demographics (e.g., women in combat units, gays in the military, etc.) and the sudden end of the Cold War in 1989

caused American civil-military relations to fray and tensions to abound. These tensions have continued right through the events surrounding 9/11 to the present, e.g., to the arguments over the conduct of Operation Iraqi Freedom, the reauthorization of the Patriot Act, and the size of the U.S. Army. In this "long war" context, where the missions assigned the Armed Forces are so different from the recent past, where the demands on the professional Army officer and the profession of arms contrast so sharply with those of most in American society, we will use an interdisciplinary approach to sort out the norms for America's current and future Civil-Military Relations.

3 Credit Hours

SS473 American Foreign Policy

*Either Term—Prerequisites:
SS307 or SS357 or permission of instructor. Corequisite: SS360.*

This course examines the development, implementation, and consequences of American foreign policy. It analyzes the actors who make American foreign policy, concentrating both on government sources such as the president, Congress, and the foreign policy bureaucracy, as well as external sources such as public opinion, interest groups, and the media. The course examines key events in U.S. foreign policy history through the lens of "policy choice." What choices did U.S. foreign policy makers confront? What policy did



“Political action is the highest responsibility of a citizen.”

John F. Kennedy





they choose to implement and why? What were the consequences of that policy? Utilizing the lessons from these historical case studies, the course then examines the current challenges and dilemmas that confront the United States. Some of these include U.S. relations with China, Russia, and the European Union; energy politics; the Arab-Israeli crisis; weapons of mass destruction and rogue states; terrorism; democracy promotion; and the global response to U.S. foreign policy. In exploring each of these current challenges and dilemmas, this course attempts to understand the policies and strategies the U.S. utilizes to secure its interests and achieve its objectives.

3 Credit Hours

SS475 Democratization

First Term—Prerequisites: SS307 or SS357 and SS366. Prerequisites may be waived with instructor's permission. Corequisite: SS360.

This course explores the fundamental political concepts of democracy and democratization. The assigned readings examine the normative and instrumental underpinnings of democracy as well as the specific causes—and potential reversals—of the “Third Wave” of democratization that has spread throughout the world over the past three decades. The course also debates effective American policy choices for newly emergent democracies that often suffer from instability and inequality. SS475 places particular emphasis on the states of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, and on the problem of constructing a new post-Soviet security architecture in a context of democratization. The course also applies democratization concepts to the Middle East with case studies in Iraq and Afghanistan.

3 Credit Hours

SS476 Conflict Analysis, Resolution, and Negotiation

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS307 or SS357.

This course provides a broad overview of the nature of global conflict in the 21st century and investigates conflict prevention, conflict intervention and management, and post-settlement operations. The course also provides cadets an introduction to the field of conflict resolution and intercultural communication, and is centered around hands-on skills-building with individual and team negotiation practical exercises that allow students to develop individual mediation and negotiation skills. In addition to graded role-play simulations, requirements include a WPR and a final conflict analysis paper and presentation in which the cadets investigate an international conflict and critique and/or develop a strategy for managing the conflict utilizing the theory, methodology and tools discussed in class.

3 Credit Hours

SS477 Economics of National Security

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS368, SS382, and SS388.

This is a capstone course for the economics major that is designed to integrate microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics and apply tools learned in those courses to address policy relevant issues in the economics of national security. The course also applies microeconomic analysis to case studies on defense personnel policies and weapon-system acquisition. The course discusses defense budgeting, including tracking the current presidential budget submission from the perspective of public finance and examines the economic impact of defense spending. Cadets use relevant databases, econometrics, and the skills they have learned as economics majors to prepare and present projects that analyze major defense and public policy decisions.

3 Credit Hours

SS478 Distinguished Professor of Security Studies Seminar

Either Term—Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

This course is taught by a visiting scholar with a distinguished record of academic achievement and professional service in the national security arena. The seminar focuses on topical issues that reflect the professor's area of expertise. Dr. Kori Schake, a former Director of Defense Strategy and Requirements for the National Security Council and presently a distinguished fellow at the Hoover Institution, serves as our current visiting scholar. In the seminar, students take part in detailed discussions, deliver presentations, conduct research, and prepare analytical papers. Students also benefit from guest speakers who share their experiences and expertise with the seminar. Previous Distinguished Professors include General (Retired) Barry R. McCaffrey, former director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy; General (Retired) John Galvin, former commander of SACEUR and noted author; Professor Richard Shultz, director of International Security Studies at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy; Professor Linda Brady, director of the School of International Affairs at Georgia Institute of Technology; and Admiral (Retired) Stansfield Turner, former president of the Naval War College and director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

3 Credit Hours

SS480 Advanced American Politics, Policy, and Strategy

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS202/SS252, SS360, SS386. Corequisite: SS366.

This course examines the major concepts, theoretical frameworks, and substantive dilemmas of the public policymaking process. The aim of this course is to arm students with a myriad of tools to understand, evaluate, and contextualize specific political problems in the public policy arena. SS480 is the capstone course for American Politics, Policy, and Strategy majors in the Social Sciences Department. Students will be expected to integrate the concepts of not only “sosh” basic, toolbox, and elective courses, but knowledge acquired from other courses from other disciplines as well. Public policy spans the disciplines of politics, economics, sociology, philosophy, and psychology, as policymakers wrestle with developing and implementing value-laden decisions in a world of scarcity and uncertainty. As such, the student of public policy must use a variety of social science tools—and increasingly, physical science tools as well—to dissect policy problems, develop viable and feasible alternatives, and fashion methods of adoption and implementation. Consequently, this course is designed to build upon the cadet's conceptual and analytical base in the quest to establish and refine a systematic approach to public policy analysis, formulation, adoption, and implementation.

3 Credit Hours



SS481 Defense Policy and Politics

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS202 or SS252.
Corequisite: SS360.

This integrative seminar focuses on a current political and policy challenge of immense scope and importance to U.S. armed forces, particularly to the U.S. Army. That is, during the period of a “long war” against the forces of radical Islam, how do military institutions adapt culturally and innovate technologically and organizationally to such a markedly changed security environment? Drawing from the literature of several sub-disciplines within the political sciences, cadets will review case studies of previous military adaptations to insurgent wars, both those successful and those unsuccessful. They will then apply the various theories of organizational change to the intensely political environment of current U.S. defense policymaking with particular focus on the emerging counterinsurgency focus of the U.S. Army. All research and writing requirements will be done within the cadets’ Army branch of choice to better prepare each one for his/her initial years of professional service, as well as to bring the central themes of the course down to the Army and branch level. This course will bring together theoretical perspectives acquired during earlier studies and will provide future officers the opportunity for a synthesis of their academy experience.

3 Credit Hours

SS482 Applied Microeconomic Theory

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS368 and SS382.

This course focuses on applying microeconomic theory and principles to a range of real-world problems. Applications to industrial organization, such as anti-merger and anti-trust law, are covered. Other topics will be selected from areas such as the economics of uncertainty, information, insurance, accident law and liability, increasing returns and indivisibilities, property rights, applied welfare theory, tax incidence, optimal (physical) investment, and non-linear pricing (including price discrimination).

3 Credit Hours

SS484 International Economics

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS382 and SS388.

This course integrates economic principles studied in SS382 and SS388. International Economics promotes understanding of the economic causes and effects of international trade, examines the justifications for and effectiveness of a variety of trade policies, explains and critiques the international flow of money, and explores the impact of these topics upon individual firms in the marketplace. The course’s methodology rests on theoretical concepts and models such as profit maximization, market equilibrium, preference maximization, and macroeconomic equilibrium. The course is divided into four blocks. The first three blocks investigate the theory of international trade

in goods and comparative advantage, the practice of international trade and international political economy, and the workings of international monetary markets. The final block compels cadets to apply their estimates of the international macroeconomic environment to choices made by national governments.

3 Credit Hours

SS485 Politics and Development of Sub-Saharan Africa

Second Term—Prerequisite: SS307 or SS357 or SS366.
Corequisite: SS360 or permission off instructor.

This comparative and thematic introduction explores the important linkage between politics and economic development in Sub-Saharan Africa. At the heart of the course are the concepts of social and political development at the local and national levels of analysis. Readings and discussion will focus on key institutions and processes in contemporary Africa, such as the state, political parties, the military, and economic actors. Students will also assess the impact of international politics and the world economy on key Sub-Saharan African countries in transition to democracy and the market system. Students will pursue country interests through oral presentations and a research paper.

3 Credit Hours





SS490A Colloquium in the Social Sciences (American Politics)

Prerequisites: SS202/SS252, SS307/SS357.

SS490B Colloquium in the Social Sciences (Comparative Politics)

SS490C Colloquium in the Social Sciences (International Relations)

SS490D Colloquium in the Social Sciences (Economics)

Either Term—Prerequisites: Department approval and permission of instructor. Normally open only to cadets pursuing a major in Economics, Foreign Area Studies, or Political Science or related fields.

The colloquium provides cadets an opportunity for reading and analysis in depth in a topic area of special interest and timely relevance to their concentration. The course employs the seminar approach in which the instructor meets with small groups to discuss assigned readings, and cadets present their own analyses to the group. Course directors develop topics and determine the semesters in which they will be offered. Department academic counselors then forward course offerings and descriptions to Social Science majors and those majoring in areas related to the colloquium topic. Topics will vary by year, but recent SS490 colloquiums include: Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict; Politics and Film; the Politics of Intelligence; Politics and Government of South and Southeast Asia; Philosophy, Religion, and Terror; and Winning the Peace.

3 Credit Hours

SS486 International Security Seminar

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS307 or SS357, SS366 and permission of instructor.

This Comparative Politics capstone seminar examines the special historical, domestic, and external security issues that non-Western states face, and then examines how such issues influence these states' formulation of their national security policies. Cadets explore how non-Western state regimes might use limited diplomatic, information, military, and economic means to achieve their regime goals. Cadets apply newly learned or previously learned IR or CP theories to analyze a non-Western state's national security strategy, and then attempt to anticipate what such states might do under current domestic and international conditions.

3 Credit Hours

SS487 International Political Economy

Second Term—Prerequisites: SS307 or SS357, SS360 or SS368, and SS378 or SS386, or permission of instructor.

This course develops, integrates, and applies the theoretical insights of political science and economics to contemporary issues of international trade, finance, and security. The theoretical concepts introduced in the first block build upon the ideas introduced in SS307 International Relations, SS202 American Politics, and SS201 Economics. The theory developed in the first block will be used to analyze and evaluate important historical and contemporary questions of international political economy. Specific issues areas explored include international monetary relations, regional economic integration (NAFTA, EC), Third World debt and development, protectionism, and the link between security and economics.

3 Credit Hours

SS491 Senior Studies – International Relations

Either Term—Prerequisite: SS360 or SS366 or SS378 or SS386.

This course provides cadets an opportunity for reading and analysis in depth in a topic area of special interest and timely relevance to their concentration. The course employs the seminar approach in which a senior faculty member meets with small groups to discuss assigned readings, and cadets present their own analyses to the group. Course directors develop topics and determine the semesters in which they will be offered. Department academic counselors then forward course offerings and descriptions to Social Science majors and those majoring in areas related to the senior studies topic. Topics will vary by year but recent senior studies include: Homeland Security, Advanced Terrorism, and Environmental Economics.

3 Credit Hours



SS492 Distinguished Professor Defense Economics Seminar

First Term—Prerequisite: *SS382 or SS368 or SS388.*
This course is taught by the Bernard Rogers Distinguished Professor of Defense Economics, a scholar with a distinguished record of academic achievement and professional service in the arena of Defense Economics. This course is focused on topical issues that allow cadets to benefit from the specific expertise of the Rogers Chair. Cadets typically take part in seminar discussions, conduct research, and prepare analytical papers. Potential topics are Army procurement policy, contract design, the growth of military technology, the Department of Defense budget process, and corporate finance in the defense sector.

3 Credit Hours

SS493 Senior Studies - American Politics

Second Term—Prerequisite: *SS202/SS252, SS307/SS357.*

This course provides cadets an opportunity for reading and analysis in depth in a topic area of special interest and timely relevance to their concentration. The course employs the seminar approach in which a senior faculty member meets with small groups to discuss assigned readings, and cadets present their own analyses to the group. Course directors develop topics and determine the semesters in which they will be offered. Department academic counselors then forward course offerings and descriptions to Social Science majors and those majoring in areas related to the senior studies topic. Topics will vary by year but recent senior studies include: Homeland Security, Advanced Terrorism, and Environmental Economics.

3 Credit Hours

SS494 Principles of Finance

Either Term—Prerequisite: *SS201 or SS251.*

Principles of Finance is a first course in corporate finance. The course focuses on the study of the basic principles of finance and applying them to important decisions faced by the financial manager. The course covers the following topics: project analysis using the Net Present Value technique; risk and return for assets and projects; efficient capital markets; corporate capital structure and dividend policy; and derivatives. Specifically, cadets will learn how to value a project or a company using several different methods. Cadets will analyze an actual project or corporation using the techniques that they learn in the course. As the U.S. military continues to privatize many functions, knowledge of techniques used by corporations is becoming essential for our future Army leaders.

3 Credit Hours

SS495 Senior Studies in Comparative Politics

Second Term—Prerequisites: *SS360 and SS366.*

This course provides cadets an opportunity for reading and analysis in depth in a topic area of special interest and timely relevance to their concentration. The course employs the seminar approach in which a senior faculty member meets with small groups to discuss assigned readings, and cadets present their own analyses to the group. Course directors develop topics and determine the semesters in which they will be offered. Department academic counselors then forward course offerings and descriptions to Social Science majors and those majoring in areas related to the senior studies topic. Topics will vary by year but recent senior studies include: Homeland Security, Advanced Terrorism, and Environmental Economics.

3 Credit Hours

SS497 Senior Studies in Economics

Second Term—Prerequisite: *SS360 or SS368 and approval of the department (for cadets majoring in Political Science or Economics).*

This course provides cadets an opportunity for reading and analysis in depth in an area of special interest and timely relevance to their concentration. The course employs the seminar approach in which a senior faculty member meets with small groups to discuss assigned readings, and cadets present their own analyses to the group. Course directors develop topics and determine the semesters in which they will be offered. Department academic counselors then forward course offerings and descriptions to Social Science majors and those majoring in areas related to the senior studies topic. Topics will vary by year but recent senior studies include: Homeland Security, Advanced Terrorism, and Environmental Economics.

3 Credit Hours

SS498 Senior Thesis: Socials Sciences

This course is taken in the spring term of the senior year and comprises the second and final phase of the senior thesis in Economics, International Relations, Comparative Politics, or American Politics. Cadets enrolled in SS498 normally will complete their major's integrative experience course (SS477 or SS492 for Economics, SS483 for International Relations, SS486 for Comparative Politics, or SS481 for American Politics) in the fall semester of the senior year, where they will complete a prospectus, literature review, annotated bibliography, outlines, and initial draft of their senior thesis. In SS498, students will continue work on an independent study basis with their thesis advisor and committee, conducting further research and updating drafts to produce a final written thesis product generally ranging from 30-50 pages in length. Students defend their thesis before a committee in the last two weeks of classes.

3 Credit Hours

XH467 Winning the Peace

This course helps prepare future lieutenants for what they need to know while deployed besides military tactics and strategy. Bringing together subject-matter experts from the staff and faculty of the U.S. Military Academy, U.S. governmental agencies, and other international actors, cadets cover topics as varied as counterinsurgency, cultural awareness, players on the ground, governance and economics, and legal, moral, and ethical considerations leaders will face while deployed. We also spend two nights and three days in a multi-ethnic U.S. city, interacting with Egyptian Copts, Muslims, Hindus, and various Christian denominations to more fully understand how groups with different beliefs can live and work together. This course aims to help create "soldier statesmen" at the company grade level for the U.S. Army, and is open to any interested junior or senior.

3 Credit Hours

XH497 Critical Thought

First Term—Prerequisite: *SS307 or SS357.*

The purpose of XH497 Critical Thought is to improve cadets' ability to evaluate complex issues involving ethical judgments and choice among scarce resources, reach reasoned positions on these issues, and effectively argue their positions verbally and in writing. The process of pursuing this goal will make cadets better leaders, officers, scholars, and citizens. The course will employ several methods to assist in this pursuit. First, it will achieve breadth by focusing on current issues from a variety of fields, examining the "hard choices" that confront society, government, military leaders, and individual citizens. Among the disciplines from which the course will draw are Philosophy, Law, Political Science, Economics, Physics, Biology, and English. Each cadet will also be assigned an individual mentor from among the faculty of the Departments of Social Sciences, History, Law, or English. Requirements include a briefing on a current issue in the cadet's major field, a book review, and a personal statement summarizing academic and other goals.

3 Credit Hours



The Department of Systems Engineering offers cadets the opportunity to engineer and design solutions to large-scale, multidisciplinary problems facing our Army and the nation today and in the future. The department has four distinct programs: Systems Engineering, Engineering Management, Systems Management, and our Core Engineering Sequence for non-majors. Systems Engineering and Engineering Management are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700. The department is also a joint proponent for the interdisciplinary major in Operations Research.





The goals of all four programs are focused on preparing future Army officers to solve a wide range of problems. Furthermore, this framework helps cadets develop an understanding of the role of emerging technologies in solving large-scale problems. All of the programs are excellent preparation for graduate study in the disciplines of Systems Engineering, Engineering Management, Industrial Engineering, Operations Research, and Masters of Business Administration (MBA).

Systems Engineering Major

Systems Engineering is a top-down, interdisciplinary, lifecycle approach to the design, development, and deployment of complex systems, processes, or operations to meet the effective needs of users and stakeholder groups in a cost-effective, high-quality way. Any collection of objects that, when connected, exhibit behavior not present when these objects stand alone can be considered a “system” within the purview of this program. The Systems Engineering program is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700.

This dynamic and growing field of engineering is focused on meeting the challenge of understanding, analyzing, and solving a class of real-world problems characterized by their interdisciplinary nature, breadth of impact, complexity, and unpredictability. Examples of “systems” include: airport planning and operations, military command-and-control systems, informal leadership structures within organizations, information management systems, software development projects, urban planning and infrastructure renewal, plant layout and manufacturing operations, physical security and vulnerability planning, and re-engineering business processes.

In recent years, Systems Engineering has exploded as a discipline. One can attribute this to the rapid advances in technology, the necessity for innovation and the increasing complexity of the world around us. To address these issues, part of what Systems Engineering majors learn is to build models and simulations of proposed projects to refine and test new ideas, to save resources, and avoid major mistakes before a large-scale system is actually created and implemented.

The Systems Engineering program is designed to ensure its graduates can achieve the objectives listed

below (major headings) some years after graduation when they are in their chosen fields. Listed below each objective are the supporting outcomes that the Systems Engineering program ensures its students can accomplish upon graduation from the program.

1. Apply systems thinking, systems engineering, and systems decision making throughout a career of professional excellence and service to the nation as an officer in the United States Army.
 - 1.1. Define the problem, design solutions, make decisions, and implement the chosen engineering solution within a broad global and societal context.
 - 1.2. Act professionally and ethically as a leader of character within each stage of the system lifecycle.
2. Effectively lead interdisciplinary teams in joint, combined, interagency, and multicultural environments.
 - 2.1. Lead and work effectively as a contributing member of multidisciplinary systems engineering teams.
 - 2.2. Employ up-to-date techniques, skills, and engineering tools necessary for Army officers and systems engineering practice.
3. Use an interdisciplinary approach to complex systems engineering problems in uncertain future environments by converting stakeholder needs, wants and desires into system functions and requirements.
 - 3.1. Identify and formulate a client’s engineering problem and specify the client’s actual needs, using systems thinking, systems engineering, and systems decision-making.

- 3.2. Apply knowledge of contemporary stakeholder issues to systems decision-making.
4. Develop and evaluate innovative, value-focused solutions by defining system performance measures to guide solution design, systems decision-making, and systems implementation throughout the system lifecycle.
 - 4.1. Define and measure system performance to guide solution design and systems decision-making and to validate that the design solution adds value and solves the defined problem.
 - 4.2. Design or re-engineer a system or process in order to develop alternatives that meet the needs of a the client within realistic environmental constraints, such as cultural, historical, legal, moral/ethical, economic, environmental, organizational, emotional, social, political, and technological.
5. Manage uncertainty by applying their knowledge of mathematics, science, technology, and engineering to develop, quantitatively evaluate, and implement effective and efficient solutions.
 - 5.1. Apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering appropriate to Army officers and practicing systems engineers in order to develop, quantitatively evaluate, and implement effective and efficient solutions.
 - 5.2. Design and conduct systems experiments, including collecting, analyzing and interpreting data.
6. Communicate engineering solutions convincingly both orally and in writing to technical and non-technical audiences.
 - 6.1. Accurately, clearly, and concisely report findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the client in a manner that supports the client’s decision.
7. Seek out and succeed in continued intellectual professional development in systems engineering and related fields.
 - 7.1. Demonstrate the skills necessary to support continued intellectual growth and learning for a career of professional excellence and service to the nation as an officer in the United States Army.

Engineering Management Major

Engineering Management majors study the engineering relationships among the management tasks of staffing, organizing, planning, financing, and leading the human element in production, research, engineering, and service organizations. By emphasizing leadership in a technical setting, the program builds on the traditional roles of the basic and applied sciences for engineering and technology management. Engineering managers must understand the interaction of organizational, technical, and behavioral variables in order to build a productive engineering team. Majors get a technical foundation in a specific engineering field of their choice: civil, mechanical, nuclear, electrical, environmental or general engineering. The program also provides a solid base of courses in personnel management, finance and accounting, engineering economy, production operations management, quantitative business analysis, project management, and computer modeling in order to prepare graduates to lead in a technical environment. The program culminates with a capstone design experience for a real client. The Engineering Management program at West Point is one of the top undergraduate programs in the nation and is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202 – telephone: (410) 347-7700 a U.S. accreditor of college and university programs in applied science, computing, engineering, and technology. The program provides the academic foundation for a wide variety of activities important to Army officers of all branches.

Engineering Management Program Objectives: Graduates who major in engineering management:

1. Lead successful multi-disciplinary teams and are capable of succeeding in diverse and multi-cultural environments throughout a career of professional excellence and service to the nation as an officer in the United States Army.
2. Plan, organize, staff, manage, and control resources (i.e., people, time, technology, and money) to provide value to an organization.
3. Apply engineering management skills to develop innovative solutions to complex stakeholder problems throughout the system lifecycle.
4. Communicate engineering information for decision-making convincingly, both orally and in writing, to technical and non-technical audiences.
5. Seek out and succeed in sustained intellectual professional development in engineering management and related fields.
6. Demonstrate military and engineering professional ethics.

Engineering Management Program Outcomes: To

achieve these objectives, cadets upon graduation will:

1. Lead and work effectively as a contributing member of multidisciplinary engineering teams.
2. Lead the design or re-engineer of a system, process, or organization within realistic environmental constraints such as cultural, historical, legal, moral/ethical, economic, environmental, organizational, emotional, social, political, and technological.
3. Use the techniques, skills, modern engineering tools and technology necessary for engineering management practice.
4. Use systems thinking and engineering management techniques to identify, define, solve, recommend, and implement the solution to a client's problem.
5. Monitor, assess, and manage the broad global and societal impacts of engineering management problems, solutions, and management decisions throughout the system lifecycle.
6. Use stakeholder analysis to identify contemporary issues in engineering management.
7. Apply knowledge of mathematics, science, and engineering appropriate for Army officers and practicing engineering managers.
8. Design and conduct system experiments, including the ability to collect, analyze, and interpret system input and output data.
9. Accurately, clearly, and concisely report engineering findings, conclusions, and recommendations to clients and stakeholders to support decision making.
10. Demonstrate the skills necessary to support continued intellectual growth and learning for a career of professional excellence and service to the nation as an officer in the United States Army.
11. Act professionally and ethically as a leader of character.

Operations Research Major

Operations Research (OR) is a scientific approach to decision-making, the focus of which is how best to design and operate systems, usually under conditions requiring the allocation of scarce resources. Today, OR is inextricably linked to the direction and management of large systems of people, machines, materials, and money in government, industry, business, and defense.

Since its inception during WWII, the interdisciplinary field of OR has set itself apart as an applied mathematical science and engineering discipline with a diverse range of applications. Because of the increased demand for OR analyses within the Army, the OR specialty (FA49) continues to enjoy steady growth in membership, and is associated with

superb educational and promotion opportunities throughout an officer's military career.

The OR program at West Point is jointly sponsored by the Department of Systems Engineering and the Department of Mathematical Sciences. West Point remains the single-largest source of FA49 officers for the Army. Graduates of the OR program at West Point are well prepared to tackle some of the Army's most challenging problems and to pursue graduate study in support of the FA49 career field.

Systems Management Major

Systems Management is the study of decision-making; specifically, decision-making for leaders in a world of increasingly sophisticated technology. The Systems Management program combines specific core courses with traditional engineering, systems engineering, economics, finance, and organizational management courses. Cadets will study and understand the relationships between the management tasks of staffing, organizing, planning, and financing, as well as the human element in production, research, service, and Army organizations. Systems Management analyzes these decision-making skills in the context of defense acquisition and design, leading and managing the creation of the next generation of high-technology weapons systems in accordance with performance requirements, limited budgets, and strict time schedules.

The discipline of Systems Management develops graduates' abilities to conceptualize and manage the design and implementation of high-quality, large-scale, complex systems that meet the needs of all stakeholders, including operators, maintainers, and commanders. Courses such as the Systems Management Capstone, Engineering Economy, Project Management, Systems Acquisition Management, and Financial Accounting, provide a solid foundation to enable a graduate to act as an intermediary between stakeholders and clients in an acquisition environment.

Cadets who major in Systems Management will culminate their studies by completing a capstone project for an actual client. This major will produce graduates with technical and business skills and prepare them for future academic and professional opportunities in a society increasingly dominated by technological change.

The systems engineering, engineering management, systems management, and operations research programs offer opportunities to enrich the academic experience through summer programs at military and civilian agencies. Cadets also have a wide range of opportunities to conduct Advanced Individual Study projects with the West Point Operations Research Center of Excellence, which is co-located with the department. Cadets and faculty are engaged in projects seeking solutions to major issues confronting society and the profession of arms.



Systems Engineering Sequence

The Systems Engineering Sequence consists of three courses. Cadets enrolled in the Systems Engineering core sequence may start the sequence in the first or second term of their junior year. The three course sequence must be completed in consecutive semesters.

The first course (SE300) predominately introduces cadets to the systems approach to systems thinking and the systems decision process. The instruction also introduces some systems modeling. Two case studies example and reinforce the concepts.

The second course (SE350) provides cadets with system modeling techniques. System modeling is both holistic and insightful, exemplifying systems thinking. The course instructs cadets with modeling techniques prescribed by Parnell, et al and Savage. Both techniques are intuitive and conducted in

Microsoft Excel. The course provides cadets a critical linkage within the systems decision process by incorporating modeling in the solution design, decision-making, and implementation phases.

In the final course (SE450), cadets apply fundamental project-management skills, systems thinking, systems decision making, and system modeling. The cadets serve and consult a client on the United States Military Academy over a real Academy problem. Cadets, in the past, have developed systems for Admissions, the Cadet Arms Room, the Boy Scouts of America, the Directorate of Cadet Activities, the Directorate of Intercollegiate Activities, and the offices of the Dean and Commandant.

For further information, please contact the Department of Systems Engineering at (845) 938-2701, or visit the department at www.se.usma.edu.

Course Descriptions

SE300 Introduction to Systems Engineering

First Term—Corequisite: MA206.

SE300 serves as the “roadmap” course for all cadets taking the three-course Systems Engineering sequence. This course presents the methodological framework and techniques for designing, implementing, managing, and reengineering large-scale systems or processes. Cadets learn engineering design and engineering management processes and gain an appreciation for the future environments and systems life-cycles. Cadets analyze case studies and complete practice problems to illustrate mastery of course topics. Cadets also use spreadsheet software for modeling and analyzing design alternatives. Cadets





will spend eight to twelve lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE301 Foundations of Engineering Design and Systems Management

Either Term—Corequisite: MA206.

SE301 serves as the “roadmap” course for all cadets taking the Engineering Management, Information Systems Engineering, Systems Engineering, or Systems Management major. This course presents the methodological framework and techniques for designing, implementing, managing and reengineering large-scale systems or processes. Cadets learn engineering design and engineering management processes and gain an appreciation for future environments and system life-cycles. Cadets analyze case studies and complete practice problems to illustrate mastery of course topics. Cadets also use spreadsheet software for modeling and analyzing design alternatives. SE301 introduces an engineering design and systems management methodology while incorporating material from courses in the USMA core curriculum and also previews the modeling and decision-making tools that cadets will learn in follow-on Department of Systems Engineering courses. The course is designed to allow cadets the opportunity to learn engineering design and engineering management processes on an individual level so that each cadet will have the experience necessary to succeed in future Systems Engineering courses. Cadets will spend eight to twelve lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE350 Systems Modeling and Design

Either Term—Prerequisites: SE300 and MA206.

SE350 is the second foundation course of a three-course sequence for non-engineering cadets. Its focus is on the application of economic, deterministic, and stochastic models. These tools are used in systems engineering to analyze and interpret alternatives. Cadets learn to apply various modeling techniques to represent and solve real-world problems in the military and industry. Topics include: the time value of money, decision analysis, forecasting methods, networking, queuing to simulation modeling. The course introduces various techniques to analyze data and draw inferences from that output. SE350 utilizes traditional classroom setting and computer labs, insisting that cadets understand and apply the fundamental principles and assumptions of analytical models. Cadets practice innovative uses of spreadsheets to develop and analyze models. A major goal is for cadets to communicate their analysis and recommendations to a decision-maker. Cadets will spend eight to twelve lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE370 Computer Aided Systems Engineering

Second Term—Prerequisites: IT105 or IT155, and SE301.

This course emphasizes the use of information technology to make critical decisions. It is an integral part of the Systems Engineering, Engineering Management, Operations Research, and Systems Management majors. The course exposes cadets to a range of software applications and illustrates how these applications support the Systems Decision Process. Cadets learn how to create, collect, manipulate, and analyze data in numerical and graphical forms to enhance problem solving, systems design, decision-making, and engineering management processes. The course introduces cadets to knowledge management/collaboration techniques, 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional virtual design and visualization. They learn essential techniques for the design and maintenance of databases. They also get an introduction to geospatial data analysis and display in support of military operations. Ethical implications in the development and application of computer models are addressed, and students learn how to effectively use technology while interacting with decision-makers. Communication skills are developed through both written and oral projects and development of interactive graphical presentations. Cadets will spend all lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours



SE375 Statistics for Engineers

First Term—Prerequisite: MA206.
Disqualifier: MA376.

This course is an integral part of the Systems Engineering major and emphasizes the statistical analysis of data related to systems analysis and design. The over-arching course goal is to develop critical consumers and providers of statistical information. The course builds on the core probability and statistics course and introduces statistics applications fundamental to the design and analysis of simulations and engineering systems. Specific topics include parameter estimation, tests of hypotheses, analysis of variance, multiple linear regression, two-level factorial designs and survey design and analysis. The course emphasizes the importance of knowing and understanding the assumptions associated with the use of inferential statistics as well as the usefulness of statistical software packages. The basic principles learned in this course will facilitate data analysis in support of Army acquisition and system redesign decision-making. Ethical implications in the analysis and presentation of experimental results, as well as interactions with decision makers, are addressed.

3 Credit Hours

SE382 Decision Support Systems

First Term—Prerequisites: IT105 and MA206, or IT155 and MA206, or CS105 and MA206, or CS155 and MA206.

In this course, cadets learn to build automated decision support systems. These systems integrate information, analytic models, and a user interface to support key decisions within an organization. The course combines theoretical study with practical application. Cadets experience advanced, automated decision aids through hands-on interaction with standalone and integrated, web-based applications. Topics include the Simon model of decision-making, DSS component design, DSS development strategies, implementation issues, and evaluation methods. Significant attention is directed toward organizational and ethical issues associated with introducing automated decision aids into workplace environments. Cadets are challenged to think and act creatively as they design, evaluate and test decision-support systems in both commercial and military domains. Cadets will spend several lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE384 Stochastic Processes

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA206.
Corequisites: SE388 and SE380.

This course is an integral part of the Systems Engineering major and emphasizes the understanding of concepts underlying many of the models used by systems engineers. It introduces cadets to stochastic models that describe how systems change over time. It emphasizes models of random events that occur in real world examples. The topics covered include Markov Chains, Poisson processes, birth and death processes, reliability and queuing theory. Applications are from many areas; including telecommunication systems, combat systems, and industrial production and distribution systems. This course adds depth to mathematical modeling concepts used by Systems Engineers in the analysis and design of real world systems. Communication skills are developed with both written and oral presentations of modeling results.

3 Credit Hours

SE385 Decision Analysis

Second Term—Prerequisite: MA206.

This course presents basic techniques of decision-making concentrating on both theoretical and modeling aspects. This course develops innovative systems engineers who can integrate the art and science of decision-making for single and multiple objective environments to support the Decision-making phase of the Systems Decision Process (SDP). The focus of the course is modeling problem structure, uncertainty, risk and preference in the context of decision-making. Topics include influence diagrams, decision trees, sensitivity analysis, subjective probability assessment, value of information, risk and uncertainty. Cadets will also use value focused thinking to support decisions in multiple objective and resource allocation environments. A series of six to ten computer laboratory exercises provides a key bridge between the mathematical theory and the application of skills to open-ended decision problems. Communication skills are developed with both written reports and oral presentations.

3 Credit Hours

SE387 Deterministic Models

Either Term—Prerequisite: IT105 or IT155. **Disqualifier:** EM384.

This course is the first of a two-course sequence that emphasizes modeling and analysis of real-world systems. This course focuses on modeling techniques without consideration of uncertainty or probabilistic effects. The course introduces the deterministic modeling process and many of the classical deterministic models used by systems engineers, operations researchers, and management professionals to identify and analyze alternatives as part of the Systems Decision Process (SDP). Emphasis is placed on creative application of the modeling process to include formulation, solution methods, analysis of results, and interpretation. Topics include deterministic life cycle cost modeling, linear programming, sensitivity analysis, networks, transportation models, dynamic programming and integer programming. Cadets will spend approximately six lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE388 Stochastic Models

Second Term—Prerequisites: SE387 and MA206.

This course is the second of a two-course sequence that emphasizes modeling and analysis of real-world systems. Continuing from the modeling process introduced in SE387, this course introduces the stochastic modeling process and many of the classical stochastic models used by systems engineers, operations researchers and management professionals to capture and describe quantitative effects of uncertainty on decision-making as part of the Systems Decision Process (SDP). Topics include stochastic life cycle cost modeling, conditional probability models, basic inference chains, Markov Chains, Poisson Processes, birth and death processes, counting processes, queuing systems, and simulation. This course prepares cadets for the modeling required in follow-on courses, including SE481, EM484, SE485 and SE402/SE403. Cadets will spend two to six lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE400 Professional Engineering Seminar

Second Term—Prerequisite: None.

This seminar course for SE and EM majors meets once a week to address the concerns of professional engineers such as engineering ethics and licensing procedures. The seminar also includes presentations by guest lecturers from the military, DoD industrial base, and academic communities.

1 Credit Hour

SE402 Systems Design I

First Term—Prerequisite: SE388 or EM384.

Systems Design I is the first course in a two-semester capstone experience for Information Systems Engineering, Operations Research, and Systems Engineering majors. SE402 integrates the principles, concepts, and models explored in previous core and engineering topic courses. The course applies the principles of systems design, engineering management, and/or re-engineering to a real-world system. Cadets work under the supervision of a faculty member to address a problem presented by a real-world client, providing them an integrative experience for their education in engineering design.

3.5 Credit Hours

SE403 Systems Design II

Second Term—Prerequisites: SE301, SE388, SE402.

Systems Design II is the second course in a two-semester capstone experience for Information Systems Engineering, Operations Research and Systems Engineering majors. SE403 integrates the principles, concepts and models explored in previous core and engineering courses. The course applies the principles of systems design, engineering management, and/or reengineering to a real-world system. Cadets work under the supervision of a faculty member to continue work on the same project begun in SE402, culminating the integrative experience in their education.

3.5 Credit Hours

SE450 Project Management and Systems Design

Either Term—Prerequisite: SE350.

This course is the third course of the three-course systems engineering sequence. The course serves as the culminating systems engineering experience for non-engineering cadets and integrates the principles, concepts, and models explored in previous courses. Cadets apply the systems engineering and management process to devise technological problem solutions that are effective and adaptable. Cadets work in groups to complete a culminating engineering design experience involving the solution of an incompletely defined problem with no single correct answer. Cadets must consider the economic, political, social and ethical constraints of the system and use creativity to generate potential design alternatives. Cadet groups will use models to analyze the alternative solutions and make a recommendation based on economic analysis and system performance. The course requires assessment of the recommended solution and a written plan for implementation.

3 Credit Hours

SE481 Systems Simulation

Either Term—Prerequisite: MA206.

Cadets learn and explore discrete event simulation techniques and tools used to analyze and improve complex systems. Applications include operations, transportation, manufacturing and logistics systems. Topics include functional modeling with functional flow diagrams and IDEF models, simulation theory, the modeling process, input data analysis, generation and testing of random numbers, verification and validation of simulation models, experimental design, output analysis, and application using simulation software. The course concepts provide cadets the tools to evaluate military and civilian systems. Emphasis is placed on using simulation in the Systems Decision Process (SDP). Cadets demonstrate proficiency and develop communication skills through design projects and briefings. Cadets spend several lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

SE482 Command and Control Systems

First Term—Prerequisites: IT305 or SE370.

This course teaches cadets the basic principles for the analysis, design, and use of command-and-control systems in tactical combat operations or government and industry. Cadets will learn the theory behind information age command-and-control concepts that are hypothesized to allow greater organizational agility and effectiveness. They will also learn the information systems engineering concepts that support collaboration, distribution of information, and a shared understanding of the battlespace. Given these concepts, cadets will focus on how to effectively define command-and-control system requirements, analyze their value, and integrate them into unit operations. Cadets will get hands-on experience with current and future systems used by Army forces.

3 Credit Hours

SE485 Combat Modeling

First Term—Prerequisites: MA376 or SE375 or EM384.

This course explores the theoretical and practical issues in combat modeling and simulation - the study of combat systems, tactics, and the battlefield environment in conflicts between opposing forces. The course focuses on models and algorithms used in state-of-the-art combat simulations, and techniques for analyzing their effects. Major topics of investigation include functional analysis to support modeling using functional flow diagrams and/or IDEFØ models, combat attrition models, search and detection methods, terrain representation, and measures of effectiveness. Cadets learn to manipulate 3D

visual and system characteristic databases to build and test virtual prototypes of new combat system designs. Application of design of experiments and statistical analysis methods assist cadets in assessing the effectiveness of weapons systems, doctrine, and tactics on the future battlefield. The cadet can apply the concepts learned in this course to evaluate potential new Army combat systems, force structures, or doctrinal changes. The techniques taught in this course are a significant part of the Systems Decision Process (SDP) as they encourage creative and independent thought that applies mathematical, physical, and computer sciences to solve future technological problems. Ethical implications in the development and use of combat models also are discussed.

3 Credit Hours

SE489 Advanced Individual Study in Systems Engineering or Engineering Management

Either Term—Prerequisites: As determined by faculty advisor.

This is a tutorial course in which an individual cadet or a group of cadets study in depth an advanced topic in systems engineering or engineering management under the direct mentorship of a faculty advisor. The faculty member assigned to the course is responsible for developing the course topic or topics and advertising the course to prospective cadets. Additionally, the scope of the course can be tailored to the desires of the cadet(s) in consultation with a faculty advisor. Communication skills are developed and assessed through both written reports and oral presentations.

3 Credit Hours

SE490 Advanced Topics in Systems Engineering or Engineering Management

Second Term—Prerequisites: As determined by faculty advisor.

This course provides in-depth study of a special topic or topics in systems engineering management not offered elsewhere in the West Point curriculum. This course is intended to broaden a cadet's or group of cadets' exposure to the systems engineering or engineering management discipline. The Department of Systems Engineering visiting professor or senior faculty member assigned to the course is responsible for developing the course topic or topics and advertising the course to prospective cadets.

3 Credit Hours



SE491 Research Project in Systems Engineering/Engineering Management

Either Term—Prerequisites: As determined by faculty advisor.

The cadet, or cadet team, integrates the concepts and techniques learned in previous Systems Engineering or Engineering Management courses to solve a current problem of interest to the Academy, the Department of the Army, or other agencies in the Department of Defense. Subject to approval from the course and program directors, cadets may select project topics which are follow-on research from their summer AIAD experience, a topic of interest to them, or one that is compatible with on-going research within the Department of Systems Engineering and/or the Operations Research Center of Excellence. Cadets will coordinate a faculty mentor who has an interest and background in the research area and who will assist in scoping the project and directing the research effort. Cadets may work individually or in small teams, depending on the nature of the research. The course will culminate with a student presentation and a written report.

3 Credit Hours

SE492 Individual Advanced Development Course

Either Term—Prerequisite: To be announced.

This course offers the opportunity for cadets to receive academic credit for study and/or work completed during the Academic Individual Advanced Development (AIAD) program. The content of the course and the nature of academic credit will be determined by the head of the department in consultation with the cadet and the summer host agency. Communication skills are developed with both written reports and oral presentations.

1 Credit Hour

EM381 Engineering Economy

Either Term—Corequisite: MA205 or MA255.

This course prepares cadets to consider the economic dimension in the evaluation of engineering alternatives, a consideration vital to the systems design process, engineering management, systems acquisition, and many other application areas. While emphasis is on the analytical

consideration of money and its impact on the areas above, the course also incorporates professional ethics in the engineering economic analysis process. The course is taught in four lesson blocks. The Time Value of Money (TVM) block includes the quantitative methods for economic analysis of engineering alternatives by introducing cost concepts, interest concepts, the cash flow diagram, and developing interest formulas. The Analysis Methods block develops techniques for project evaluation and comparison and ways to account for risk and uncertainty. The After Tax Cash Flow block incorporates the real-world effect of taxes, depreciation, and inflation into the analysis methods. The Capital Budgeting block completes a comprehensive introduction to engineering economy by introducing the concept of economic service life and project financing. A one-lesson introduction to personal finance is included to demonstrate how many of the concepts used in the business world can also be applied for personal planning. Course concepts are applied using Microsoft Excel® in both graded and ungraded



labs. Cadets will spend eight to 12 lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

EM384 Analytical Methods for Engineering Management

First Term—Prerequisites: *IT105 or IT155.*
Corequisite: *MA206.*

EM384 focuses on the application of deterministic and probabilistic models used by analysts to make engineering and management decisions. Cadets learn to apply various modeling techniques to represent and solve real-world organizational problems in the military and industry. Topics include: linear and integer programming, network modeling, decision-making under uncertainty, queuing, and simulation modeling. Cadets apply concepts and tools using Microsoft Excel® and necessary add-ins. The techniques taught in this course have been applied to an increasingly wide variety of complex problems in business, government, military, health care, and education. Ethical responsibilities in describing the results of analyses to decision makers are integrated throughout the course. Cadets develop communication skills through two written reports and make innovative use of spreadsheets to develop and analyze models. Cadets are tested on the application of concepts of the course from the four blocks of instruction during four graded labs, two written partial reviews, two out-of-classroom assignments, and a comprehensive term end exam. During class sessions, cadets will either use their laptops in the classroom or spend their sessions in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

EM402 Engineering Management Design I

First Term—Prerequisites: *SE301, EM381, and EM384.* **Corequisite:** *EM411.*

This is the first course in a two-semester capstone design for EM majors. EM402 integrates the principles, concepts, and models explored in previous core and engineering topic courses. The course applies the principles of systems design, engineering management, and/or re-engineering to a real-world system. Cadets work under the supervision of a faculty mentor to address a problem presented by a real-world client, providing them an integrative experience for their education in engineering design.

3.5 Credit Hours

EM403 Engineering Management Design II

Second Term—Prerequisite: *EM402.*

Engineering Management Design II is the second course in a two-semester capstone experience for EM majors. EM403 integrates the principles, concepts, and models explored in previous core and engineering courses. The course applies the principles of systems design, engineering management, and/or re-engineering to a real-world system. Cadets work under the supervision of a faculty mentor to continue work on the project that was begun in EM402, culminating the integrative experience in their education.

3.5 Credit Hours

EM411 Project Management

First Term—Prerequisite: *None.*

This course develops skills required to lead an organization to the achievement of their objectives through the proper application of the management of planning, implementing, and controlling the organization activities, personnel, and resources. The course focuses on the implementation phase of the Systems Decision Process (SDP). Topics include project selection, roles and responsibilities of the project manager, planning the project, budgeting the project, scheduling the project, allocating resources to the project, monitoring and controlling the project, evaluating and terminating the project, risk assessment and management, organizational structure, and human resources. Case studies illustrate problems and how to solve them. Course assignments are designed to help cadets learn and apply project-management techniques taught in the course. The class design project will provide students with the opportunity to integrate project-management software, Microsoft Project®, into the preparation of an Engineering Management Project Plan. Cadets spend eight to 12 lessons in a computer lab environment.

3.5 Credit Hours

EM420 Production Operations and Systems

Second Term—Prerequisite: *MA206.*

This course deals with the quantitative aspects of design and analysis of production operations management. Emphasis is on identification, analysis, and solution of production problems using applied quantitative techniques. Practical exercises reinforce the problem-solving techniques necessary for today's successful military and civilian engineering managers and systems engineers. Specific methods and techniques taught and applied are operations strategy, product design and selection, supply chain management, total quality management, forecasting, capacity planning, facility location, facility layout, work system design, inventory management, material

requirements planning, and scheduling. This course is required for those pursuing the Engineering Management major, the Systems Engineering major, the Systems Management major, and Leadership and Management majors. Cadets will spend two to four lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours

EM484 Dynamic Systems Analysis

First Term—Prerequisite: *None.*

This course is a simulation elective for the Systems Engineering, Engineering Management, Information Systems Engineering, Operations Research, and Systems Management majors. Simulation modeling can be used to study the effects of changes to existing systems or processes, or evaluate the performance of new systems prior to their implementation. The techniques taught in this course are a significant part of the Systems Decision Process (SDP) as they introduce the concept of dynamic systems thinking and analysis. By their nature, large-scale systems are dynamic. These systems involve complex cause and effect relationships that form feedback loops between the variables of interest. These systems produce outcomes that are not always intuitive. The cadets use the properties of dynamic systems and analytical techniques to design continuous models of complex systems or processes, implement these models, and perform an analysis of the results. Topics include applications of Systems Dynamics, client/modeler relationships, problem articulation, functional modeling through causal loop diagrams and stock and flow diagrams, modeling and simulation in a PC-based continuous event simulation package, policy design, policy testing, and policy implementation. These concepts and principles are applied to military and civilian applications such as physical systems, human decision processes, population, and economic/business processes. Cadets develop communication skills by presenting their design results in both written reports and oral presentations. The course also addresses ethical implications in the development and application of dynamic models as well as interactions with decision makers. Cadets will spend 14 to 18 lessons in a computer lab environment.

3 Credit Hours



SM401 Systems Management Capstone

Second Term—Prerequisites: EM381, EM411, SE301.

This is the integrative, capstone course for the Systems Management major. SM401 integrates the principles, concepts, and methodologies presented in the methods and formulation courses by providing the cadets the opportunity to develop or improve real-world systems and plan for their implementation. Real-world problems offer cadets an opportunity to design creative alternative solutions to current, open-ended problems representative of those found in today's society and Army. Cadets will work in teams to apply the systems decision process while applying knowledge of mathematics, science, and modern engineering tools, and technologies to provide accurate, representative, and reliable models of alternative solutions that satisfy client needs. Cadets develop their communicative skills as members of the team through presentations and written reports. Ethical implications in the design and development of real-world systems, as well as interaction with decision makers, are included in the course.

3.5 Credit Hours

SM421 Systems Acquisition Management

Second Term—Prerequisite: EM411.

This course develops skills related to the acquisition tasks of strategically managing, planning, and implementing acquisition programs and reforms. The course focuses on using fundamental concepts that enhance acquisitions management processes and outcomes. Topics include the acquisition core competencies: theory and principles, systems perspective, project management, technology integration, and modeling and simulation. Other topics include knowledge management, organizational behavior, decision-making, and risk management. Case studies illustrate acquisition issues and how to solve them. A course project provides practical application reinforcement of acquisition principles. The course also addresses ethical implications in the acquisition of systems to accomplish military missions.

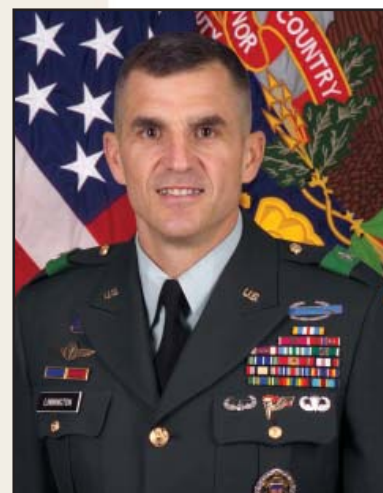
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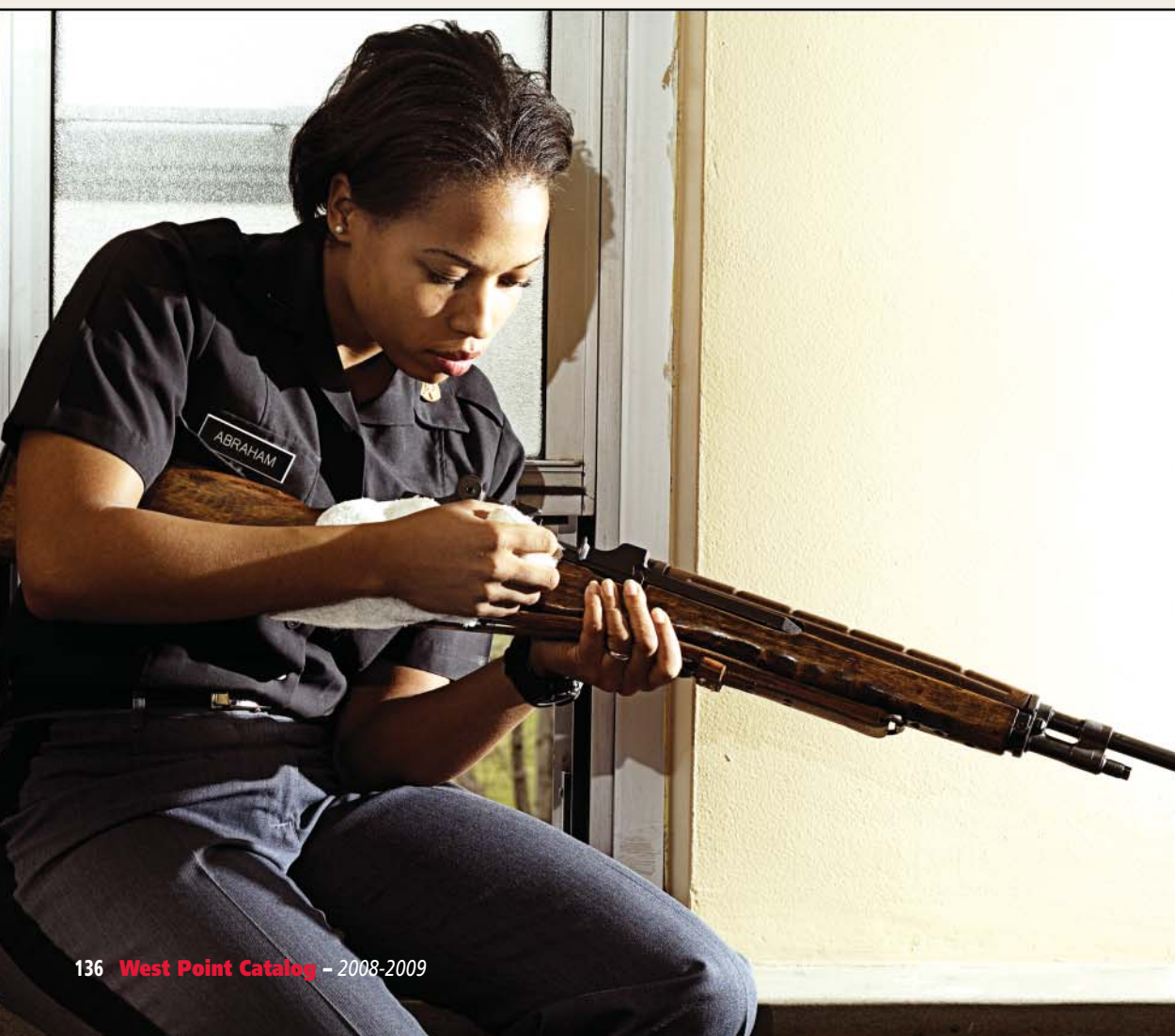
Each year during late June or early July, a new class, designated Fourth Class cadets, enters the United States Military Academy. In succeeding years, they become members of the Third Class, Second Class, and finally — in their senior year — First Class.

The United States Military Academy's purpose is to educate, train, and inspire these select young men and women for exemplary service as commissioned officers in the Regular Army of the United States.

The first step in this training is discipline. The daily regimen of cadet life is designed to develop an



**Brigadier General
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Commandant of Cadets





appreciation for discipline and the need to maintain professional standards of the highest order. Self-discipline, selfless service, attention to details and enforcement of standards are among the characteristics most highly prized within the cadet corps.

Cadets discover that at West Point they must make that “extra effort,” budget their time wisely, and establish a clear sense of priorities. In the tradition of West Point, cadets become aware of and learn to fulfill their responsibilities to the Soldiers they will eventually lead. The military training program is dedicated to inspiring and preparing cadets to lead this nation’s sons and daughters in the defense of freedom.

Professional Education and Training

Future officer-leaders must master fundamental military concepts and skills, and understand tactics and doctrine. They must understand and commit themselves to the demanding code of ethics of the American professional Soldier.

Each cadet receives instruction in the fundamentals of small-unit tactics and leadership through the study of military science and leadership. Physical education and an extensive intramural program (discussed in Chapter 7) ready the cadet for the physical demands of service life and the combat environment. Four summers of field training give each cadet repeated opportunities for the practical application of principles learned, while sustaining the high level of fitness demanded of the Army officer.

Organization

The Office of the Commandant of Cadets oversees all aspects of the military training and development of the Corps within the context of the Military Program. This program provides a dynamic four-year sequential and integrated developmental process to teach, train, and inculcate the fundamental military knowledge, skills, and abilities expected of an Army officer.

The Office of the Commandant is organized with a supporting staff and separate departments to execute the Military Program. The United States Corps of Cadets (USCC) staff provides administrative, logistic, and training management in support of the Corps of Cadets. The Department of Military Instruction (DMI), discussed in the following section, provides formal Military Science education and organizes the majority of military training. The Brigade Tactical Department oversees the daily activities of the cadets.





Classroom instruction and practical experience in the field are combined to develop in each cadet the basic leadership expertise critical to the Profession of Arms. A strong sense of duty and responsibility is especially valued. In addition to self-discipline, each cadet learns to exercise good judgment, even when thinking and reacting under mental and physical stress and the demands of time. The cadet's high standards, manner, bearing, and appearance are but the visible signs of a deep pride in the profession. Like The Long Gray Line of graduates before them, West Point cadets share a sense of dedication to "Duty, Honor, Country"

Fourth Class Year

During their first day at West Point, the men and women of the incoming class make a rapid transition not only from civilians to cadets, but from civilians to Soldiers. They discover that they are expected to produce phenomenal results in a single afternoon, and they discover that they can do it. Beginning with this particularly challenging first day, new cadets start the intensely rigorous six-week Cadet Basic Training Program designed to teach them to be both Soldiers and cadets. They learn to answer





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new cadets sharing a rigorous experience form strong friendships and team spirit that remain with them for the rest of their lives.

In mid-August, the end of this initial training period, New Cadets are formally accepted into the Corps. These new members of the United States Corps of Cadets have a well-deserved sense of confidence and pride which comes with the knowledge that they have successfully completed a long, physically and emotionally demanding period of their lives. During the acceptance parade ceremony, each new member of the Fourth Class, traditionally called a “plebe,” is assigned to one of the 32 companies that make up the Corps.

Military instruction during the rest of the Fourth Class year introduces cadets to the military profession, focusing on the Army Values, the professional qualities of an officer, and the military branches of the Army. It also provides detailed instruction on map reading and small unit tactics. The academy also stresses physical development, a trend that continues throughout a cadet’s life and during service in the Army.

to “New Cadet” and to make every response with the traditional military courtesies. They learn to wear the cadet uniforms, to prepare their rooms for exacting inspections and to participate in parades.

Many hours of tough physical exercise prepare them for the long foot marches, rappelling, rifle marksmanship, and tactical maneuvers that are part of their field training in the basic skills of the individual Soldier. Like all new Soldiers everywhere, New Cadets learn to respond quickly and accurately to their

commanders under conditions of mental and physical stress. The primary purpose of the New Cadets’ experiences during these six weeks was expressed very well by a cadet who stated that the training was “. . . the most significant event in my life. It has provided for me exactly what I came here for: discipline, personal pride and confidence, and a high sense of duty.” Another reason for this type of training is that officers can perform with greater perspective and understanding if they have at one time experienced the life of the Army recruit. Equally important,





Third Class Year

After a short leave, Third Class cadets (known traditionally as “Yearlings”) report to West Point’s Camp Buckner for seven weeks of military field training. The emphasis in Cadet Field Training (CFT) is on the close, combined fight, both light and mechanized. Extensive training on infantry operations, artillery firing, weapons training, Army aviation, military engineering, and land navigation makes up most of this training experience. Additionally, one week is spent at Fort Knox, Kentucky, for familiarization with armor, cavalry, mechanized infantry, self-propelled field artillery, and combat engineer operations.

The training during these seven weeks is designed to be physically and mentally demanding and to push the cadets to new personal heights. The cadets are challenged to give everything they have and are then challenged to give more.

Members of the Third Class emerge from the summer inspired about their future profession and role as commissioned officers. They have a better appreciation for leadership in stressful conditions; for mental and physical toughness and endurance; for the skills necessary to fight and win our Nation’s wars.

Second Class Year

During the Second Class summer, cadets further develop their leadership skills by serving as noncommissioned officers within the Corps at Cadet Basic Training and Cadet Field Training, and participating in Military Development School (MDS) in schools such as: Airborne, Air Assault, Sapper Leader’s Course, and Combat Diver. Other cadets receive leadership experience in actual Army units worldwide. Cadets participating in Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT) gain first-hand experience in leading real Soldiers. Cadets are also introduced to the unique bond shared among Soldiers and military families, as well as among the commissioned and noncommissioned officer corps.

In all of the above programs, cadets practice many of the skills learned at the Academy and gain invaluable appreciation for the challenges faced by Soldiers and leaders in the active Army. Most cadets treasure these experiences as



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the most memorable of their four years at the Academy as they make a new commitment to serve our Nation.

First Class Year

With the arrival of the long-awaited First Class year come more privileges and latitude, and much greater responsibility. During the summer before starting this final academic year, one-quarter of the First Class, serving in cadet officer positions, leads the training of the Third Class cadets at

Camp Buckner and the New Cadets during Cadet Basic Training. The remainder of the First Class participates in the CCTLT and MDS programs mentioned above if they did not do so the previous year. With four years of intensive military training experience, First Class cadets are selected to fill leadership positions from commander (known as the "first captain") of the 4,000-member Corps, to leaders of 30-member platoons, and staff positions that involve management of all the activities of the Corps of Cadets. The opportunities for planning, organizing,

and leading are almost limitless.

The culmination of the military training programs occurs on graduation day as the cadets shed "Cadet Gray" for their Army uniforms, and join a time-honored officer corps. Cadets confirm their commitment by taking the commissioning oath and swearing to protect and defend the Constitution, and to faithfully and selflessly lead American Soldiers.





The Brigade Tactical Department is responsible for the daily operations and control of the Corps of Cadets. The department is led by the Brigade Tactical Officer, and is organized into four regiments – each commanded by a Regimental Tactical Officer. Each regiment is organized into eight cadet companies (A through H), with each cadet company commanded by the Company Tactical Officer, and assigned a Company Tactical Noncommissioned Officer.



BRIGADE TACTICAL DEPARTMENT



Mission

The mission of the Brigade Tactical Department is to develop and train cadets, through integration of West Point programs, to be leaders of character, committed to Duty, Honor, Country, and inspired for careers as US Army officers and a lifetime of selfless service to the nation.

The members of the department accomplish this mission in diverse ways. Tactical officers and tactical noncommissioned officers (Company TAC teams) are the integrators of West Point's developmental programs. They oversee each cadet's individual development in

the academic, military, physical, and moral-ethical dimensions. The TAC teams train the cadets with a continual focus on leader development. The tactical officer is the legal commander of each cadet company and is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a climate that fosters individual and unit excellence in all program areas.

Role

The role of the TAC Team is very diverse – mentor, counselor, leader, motivator, trainer, evaluator, commander, role model, administrator, and teacher. Tactical officers and tactical

noncommissioned officers are chosen from the Army based on their demonstrated abilities and potential in all of these areas. All Company TACs have been successful company commanders during their Army careers. The NCOs have all been successful platoon sergeants, drill sergeants or first sergeants. Their combined abilities, experiences, and training inspire and motivate cadets in preparation for their Army careers.

TAC teams interact daily with cadets across the developmental spectrum. They are in the company area when





**“Leadership
and learning
are indispensable
to each other.”**

John F. Kennedy

**“Attitude reflects
Leadership.”**



cadets wake in the morning and attend all formations with the cadets. TAC teams regularly teach numerous leadership and professional development classes. They attend drill and ceremonies practice, military training, and intramural sporting events with their companies. They perform these same duties during the summer training period during Cadet Basic Training or Cadet Field Training. Additionally, many tactical officers and tactical noncommissioned officers are assistant coaches, officer representatives or officers-in-charge of Cadet Corps Squad teams and Cadet sports clubs and activities.

TAC Teams regularly interact with cadets’ professors, mentors, coaches, staff, faculty, and parents. Tactical officers and tactical NCOs are the point of contact for any questions or concerns about cadets.

USCC Chaplains

A large and enthusiastic group of cadets participate and lead in the numerous activities offered in the four West Point Chapels. Whether it is acting as a religious education teacher, singing in one of the cadet choirs, serving as an usher or acolyte or as a member of one of the chapel boards, cadets find opportunities to nurture their own spiritual life as well as to provide inspiration for the West Point community.

Protestant, Episcopal, and Eastern Orthodox services are offered each Sunday in the Cadet Chapel. Catholic masses are celebrated daily at Holy Trinity Chapel and Jewish cadets attend service each Friday at the Jewish Chapel. The Old Cadet Chapel serves as the meeting place on Sunday for Lutheran cadets. Other denominational groups meeting each week include the Southern Baptists, the Church of Christ, and Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.





BRIGADE TACTICAL DEPARTMENT



Chaplains are quick to lend a sympathetic ear to the cadet who seeks individual guidance or counsel about personal and family problems, or who simply wants to talk. The chaplains' offices in Washington Hall, hub of the cadet living area, make this kind of personal counseling readily available.

Religious groups such as the Officers Christian Fellowship and the Navigators are also active at West Point. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes sponsors a breakfast in the Cadet Mess every two weeks, where coaches and professional athletes are among the speakers. Company Bible studies and fellowship groups are also available throughout the week to all cadets.

Retreats are a popular activity. Each cadet is authorized one religious retreat each semester. It may be a ski

retreat with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the always popular Plebe Retreat, a Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) or Vida Nueva (New Life) weekend that helps keep the cadet active in the spiritual community.

West Point's religious activities are as varied and as appealing as the cadets who participate in them. They provide a vital link with congregations and parishes back home as well as giving spiritual vitality during cadet life at West Point.





“The ultimate test of what truth means is the conduct it dictates or inspires.”

William James



The mission of the Department of Military Instruction is to train, educate, and inspire the Corps of Cadets in the essence of warfighting and the Profession of Arms over the 47-month West Point experience in order to develop competent future Army officers. The academic year instruction and the summer training program complement and supplement each other



in a logical and progressive sequence to achieve a smooth transition from civilian status through four cadet years to commissioning as a second lieutenant.

Through a robust and wide-ranging program of visits, guest lecturers, conferences, and exchanges, the Military Program at the Academy continues to incorporate the latest changes in doctrine, strategy, and tactics resulting from the ongoing Army Transformation. The Military Training Program, Military Science classes, and the Military Arts and Science Major within the Military Program continue to provide the foundation upon which the graduate will be able to begin a career as a commissioned officer with confidence, competence, and dedication to service.

Cadet Basic Training, also called “Beast Barracks,” is the beginning of the Military Training Program and the start of the 47-month West Point Experience. The mission of Cadet Basic Training (CBT) is to train, instruct, and develop New Cadets in order to transition them from civilians to Soldiers and to build a foundation to develop leaders of character strongly committed to military service. CBT is an eight-week program of instruction that instills in cadets the principles of discipline, personal pride, confidence, and a sense of duty. New Cadets are challenged physically with a rigorous physical training program that includes a series of challenging foot marches, obstacle courses, and combat-focused physical training. They are trained on a variety of skills including rifle marksmanship, mountaineering and 75-foot rappels, land navigation, hand-to-hand combat, basic rifle bayonet fighting techniques, and how to throw a live hand grenade. CBT ends with Operation Rising Storm, a five-day training event, which includes an introduction and exposure to small unit tactics in Urban Operations, Mounted Operations, Force on Force, and Operation Warrior Forge. The New Cadets finish their CBT experience with a 10-mile foot march back to West Point where they are welcomed by the rest of the Corps of Cadets.

All cadets complete the four-week **Cadet Field Training** (CFT) during their second summer at West Point. The purpose of CFT is to train Third Class cadets in advanced individual skills, small unit tactics, and leadership in order to create competent, confident junior leaders for the Army and to introduce cadets to the essence of our Army – winning the close ground fight. CFT also provides a powerful leadership experience that develops the leader skills and abilities of participating First and Second Class cadets. During CFT cadets deploy to Fort Knox, Kentucky, for the three-day Mounted Maneuver Training exercise. They are exposed to the Army’s heavy forces – armor, mechanized infantry, cavalry, Stryker, and field artillery. The

in M1A2 Abrams Main Battle Tanks and M2/M3 Bradley Fighting Vehicles.

Cadet Leader Development Training (CLDT) is an intensive three-week training program for rising First Class cadets executed during their fourth and final summer at West Point. CLDT focuses on the Army’s Troop Leading Procedures and leadership development during a 19-day tactical field training exercise. The training is modeled from the contemporary operating environment and lessons learned from units conducting combat operations in support of the Global War on Terror. Cadets conduct air assault operations, cordon and search, search and attack, mounted patrolling

highlight of this training is a combined arms live-fire exercise, which allows the cadets to see all of the Army’s most-lethal fighting systems operating as a combined arms team on the battlefield. They also participate in Operation Thunderbolt Strike, a simulated “force-on-force” mounted battle where cadet companies engage each other





operations, platoon attack, and attack in an urban environment, and they conduct operations from a company combat outpost, against an insurgent group hostile to host nation security forces. They gain an appreciation for cultural awareness through their interaction with Arabic-speaking role players who replicate sheiks, imams, and other village/tribal leaders.

Core Military Science Courses

The Core Military Science (MS) curriculum is a critical component of the Military Program at the United States Military Academy that provides cadets the knowledge and skills necessary for continued cadet development and success as an Army officer. The curriculum allows cadets to study the Army profession during the academic year as a continuum of the Cadet Summer Training programs. This core program is taught by instructors from the Department of Military Instruction and is incorporated into the cadets' eight academic semesters. Within the eight core Military Science courses, key military themes are threaded throughout the instruction. During first term instruction cadets experience critical building blocks to leader and character development: Army Values, Army Organization, and the weapons of a light infantry squad. Second term instruction

exposes cadets to tactical instruction and develops each cadet's ability to make tactical decisions and communicate a plan. Each academic year builds upon the previous year's instruction so that each cadet matures in his or her Military Science knowledge and ability to think and communicate militarily.

MS100 Introduction to Warfighting

Second Term—Fourth Class cadets.

This course is designed to provide cadets a foundation of military and tactical knowledge necessary for application during Cadet Field Training (CFT) and implementation in a future career as an Army officer. Tactical instruction includes map reading and military analysis through an introduction to the military planning considerations of mission, enemy, terrain, troops, time, and civil considerations (METT-TC). Additionally, the instruction covers the troop leading procedures (TLPs), pre-combat inspections (PCI), squad formations and basic squad movement techniques. Cadets are introduced to the warning order and operations order, and extract information needed for squad operations order. These skills are applied in the analysis of basic tactical situations

in order to reinforce understanding.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate the ability to function effectively as a Soldier within a squad in accordance with Army values, the Warrior Ethos, the Code of Conduct, and FM 3-21.8.
- Apply fundamentals of map reading.
- List and describe how the Army uses operational doctrine in mission planning.
- Demonstrate the ability to utilize doctrinally correct symbols and terms.
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of the troop leading procedures (TLP).
- Understand various employments of small unit operations and tactics.

1.5 Credit Hours



MS200 Fundamentals of Army Operations

First Term—Prerequisite: MS100 and Third Class cadet standing.

This course introduces the cadet to the small-unit leader's role in the Army by describing the administrative and training requirements at the platoon level. Fundamentals of Army Operations explores the Army leadership doctrine, Army evaluation reporting systems, small unit supply operations, unit maintenance operations, training management, and troop leading procedures (TLPs). As a result, cadets will be able to describe basic administrative tasks and become better prepared to lead platoons in the Army. Additionally, cadets will demonstrate their knowledge through a series of practical exercises and tactical decision exercises (TDE).

Objectives:

- Understand troop leading procedures.
- Understand platoon collective tasks and individual task lists in order to plan future training.
- Demonstrate understanding of the small unit leader's role in risk management by generating a platoon level composite risk management worksheet for a small arms range.
- Understand the Army evaluation reporting systems.
- Understand the enlisted promotion system.
- Understand the small unit supply system.
- Understand unit maintenance operations.
- Develop platoon critical task lists and identify supporting collective and individual tasks.
- Understand other administrative functions required of a platoon leader.

1.5 Credit Hours

MS300 Combined Arms Operations

Either Term—Prerequisite: MS100 and MS200 and Third Class cadet standing.

This course builds upon the unit deployment scenario and instruction introduced during MS200. The course further develops the cadet's basic knowledge of doctrine, training management, troop-leading procedures (TLPs), tactics and combined arms warfare. The cadet is challenged to apply this knowledge at an intermediate level of tactical thinking at the combined arms level. Instruction in the fundamentals of Army operations continues with emphasis on offensive and defensive tactics. Additionally, cadets demonstrate an increased understanding of the TLPs by planning and rehearsing a platoon-level offensive and defensive operation incorporating multiple war fighting functions. In addition to tactics, cadets continue their instruction in the Army's Training Management System by assessing and planning unit training. Cadets also examine the small unit leader's role in ensuring that the morale and ethical decision making process is applied to all operations. Finally, cadets further their preparation for leadership roles as Lieutenants during the full spectrum of operations.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate an understanding of Army operational doctrine and small unit tactics and apply them to mission planning in accordance with FM 3-0, FM 3-20.15, FM 5-0 and FMI 5-0.1.
- Demonstrate the ability to communicate a tactical course of action using the appropriate operational graphics, tactical mission graphics and unit symbols.
- Demonstrate an understanding of how to apply the troop leading procedures to planning a tactical operation as a platoon leader in accordance with FM 5-0.

1.5 Credit Hours

Military Art and Science Major

The Military Art and Science major is an interdisciplinary military studies curriculum that goes well beyond the academy's core Military Science education. The MA&S major is offered through the Department of Military Instruction and is an excellent choice for cadets who wish to undertake a serious academic study of the Profession of Arms. These elective courses may be chosen from a wide interdisciplinary menu that includes advanced military science, history, social science, geography, law, and foreign language courses. Each course within the MA&S major is weighted 3 credit hours in support of the academic program score. No credit is provided toward the military program score. Required courses and electives are listed below.

Required Courses

MS310 Tactics

Prerequisite: None.

This course introduces the cadet to tactics, the employment of units in combat, and military decision-making at battalion level and below. It presents the course material in four blocks of instruction. Block I, The Fundamentals of Tactics, focuses on the evolution of tactics, as well as doctrine governing tactics at the small-unit level. Cadets define and describe the fundamentals of tactics according to current US Army doctrine. Block II, The Art and Science of Tactics, explores techniques for various operations at the small-unit level. Block III, The Enemy and the Environment, focuses on the effect of various environmental factors on tactics, as well as methods employed by enemy forces that the United States faces today and will likely face in the future. Cadets explain the



art and science of tactics as they relate to weapons systems, the enemy, and the environment. Block IV, Tactical Decision-Making, introduces the tactical decision game and explores the tactical decision-making process as well as planning at battalion level and below. Cadets apply the fundamentals of tactics to decision-making exercises and develop a concept of operation for a small unit.

3 Credit Hours

MS470 Military Strategy

Prerequisite: None.

In this course cadets learn analytical frameworks incorporating the fundamental concepts of military strategy. The course focuses on: the principles of warfare, deterrence, and preparedness; the levels of war; the logic of strategy; and how military power interacts with diplomatic, informational, and economic power. The course introduces basic game theory concepts as they pertain to the planning of military strategy. The course discusses some of the strategic issues raised by current challenges such as terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, insurgencies, and coalitions. The capstone event consists of a paper and computer-simulation project, where cadets apply the knowledge of

Military Art and Science major content to formulate and execute strategy. This exercise serves as an integrative experience for the Military Art and Science major by requiring cadets to assimilate political, military, informational, economic, and technological factors at all levels of war to achieve national objectives.

3 Credit Hours

MS498 Colloquium in Military Science

Prerequisite: Enrollment in the Military Art and Science program or approval of the program proponent.

The colloquium uses seminar discussion to analyze and debate issues of command and leadership. Cadets explore the different roles of a commander, such as moral and ethical arbiter, tactician, warrior, and mentor. Cadets develop a greater knowledge and understanding of the challenge, obligation, and responsibilities of a leader in the professional arms. Books and selected readings expose cadets to commanders with different leadership styles, providing them a basis for discussion and encouraging individual study of command and leadership. Cadets also begin or continue to gain greater insight into their own personal philosophies of command and leadership. Topics may vary each year in accordance with cadet interest and faculty expertise. The colloquium satisfies the 400-level course requirement for the Military Art and Science major.

3 Credit Hours

Elective Courses

MS345 Army Transformation

Prerequisite: None.

This course prepares cadets to become future warfighters and visionary leaders of military transformation. The course first covers the US Army experience from World War I to the Global War on Terror and the dawn of Army transformation. This course then explores future warfare and culminates in a course project addressing future Army operations. The course considers US Army doctrine and operational experience across the full spectrum of military operations (offensive, defensive, stability, and support). It discusses doctrine and how it influences the way the US Army conducts operations. It examines the internal and external factors that influence change by applying disciplined analytical frameworks. Field Manual (FM) 3.0 (Army Operations) is integrated throughout the course. Cadets gain a broad understanding of the evolution of Army doctrine and organization. Cadets also hone analytical tools and communication skills in debate, oral presentations, and written assignments, while collaborating with professional military peers.

3 Credit Hours





MS350 Military Communication

Prerequisite: None.

This course provides an experience for cadets focusing on military science. This course is essentially a survey course of communication, focusing on developing the cadet's interpersonal as well as organizational communication skills. Specifically, cadets study how the field of communication can improve their presentation skills and their eventual unit's tactical and garrison performance in terms of information processing, situational awareness, situational understanding, and message equivocality. Block I focuses on developing the cadets' presentation skills. Block II provides the cadets with an overview of public affairs focusing on media interviews in the field. Block III serves as an introduction to organization communication pertaining to applicable communication terms, concepts, and theory in order to provide a common language for future lessons. With a common language (an imbedded theme of the course) the cadets then examine past and current military situations from a communicative standpoint. The final lessons under Block IV require cadets to apply what they have learned by developing communicative processes in various group simulation exercises. The term end examination will offer the cadets the opportunity to analyze each other's information management processes.

3 Credit Hours

MS360 Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict

Prerequisite: First and Second Class cadets only.

This course is subdivided into two sub-courses. The first sub-course examines the class of the military operations commonly referred to as "Low-Intensity Conflict." It explores the nature and dynamics of LIC, with particular attention paid to the differences between LIC and conventional mid- to high-intensity conflict. Specifically, cadets examine insurgency and counterinsurgency, international terrorism, and peacekeeping operations, as well as strategy and tactics appropriate for each. The second sub-course examines Special Operations Force. The sub-course explores the unique methods of special operators and the close relationship between SOF and LIC. Cadets will examine how U.S. Special Operations Forces are organized, how special operations in general succeed, and why the SOF is particularly well-suited to LIC. Several subject-matter expert guest speakers are integrated into the instruction throughout the course.

3 Credit Hours

MS455 Comparative Military Systems

Prerequisite: None. **Special requirements:** Research paper and oral presentation.

With the changing world order and a smaller United States military, today's officer is increasingly involved in coalition actions. This course's objective is to analyze the doctrine, force structure, officer development, and wartime practical experience of various countries' military systems around the globe, both potential coalition partners and potential adversaries. Additionally, cadets examine the political, economic, and social influences on each military establishment. The course establishes a model for evaluating the various systems to help determine and compare the capabilities and limitations of each system. The course briefly looks at the other armed services, because most U.S. responses in the future will be joint operations. The investigation then focuses on selected systems in the Americas, Europe (including Russia), the Middle East, Asia, and Africa. The course makes maximum use of subject-matter experts during class lectures.

NOTE: This course is also included in majors offered by the departments of Social Science and Geography and Environmental Engineering, and may be included in the Military History major on a case-by-case basis.

3 Credit Hours

MS460 Counterinsurgency

Prerequisite: None.

Soldiers at all levels must begin the rigorous academic, doctrinal, and operational study of these missions, as the US Army expects to maximize its success against our contemporary enemies. This course begins broadly and then narrows in order to integrate theory and strategy with tactics and practicality. The first sub-course introduces the insurgency, an understanding that is essential to leading, organizing, and implementing successful operations against it. In the second sub-course, cadets examine counter-insurgency operations from theoretical, strategic, operational, tactical, and practical perspectives. The final sub-course presents three historical case studies intended to engage each cadet's learning with both analysis and application.

3 Credit Hours

MS497 Battle Command (Practice of Military Art)

Prerequisite: Approval of DMI director; open only to First Class cadets.

The course allows cadets to discover within the context of the ethos of the military profession the enduring truths of battle command. This course is offered by General (Ret.) Frederick Franks, the visiting scholar in the William E. Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic (SCPME) under the auspices of the Department of Military Instruction. The course begins with an introduction to the theory and Army doctrine for battle command. Cadets read a series of case studies and participate in a series of interactive war games in which they act as tactical commanders. The purpose of the war games is to provide an opportunity for cadets to make tactical decisions, see how they work out, then evaluate both the quality, timing, and instance (the decision to decide) of each command decision. A battle command staff ride to Gettysburg is part of the curriculum, and cadets focus on establishing the series of command decisions that formed the first day's response to the meeting engagement by commanders on both sides.

3 Credit Hours



MS489 Advance Military Studies in Military Art and Science

Prerequisite: Approval of DMI director; open only to First Class cadets.

The course provides an environment that is conducive to independent effort in a subject area of special interest to the cadet. Original research or specialized study can be accomplished in any of the many fields within Military Art and Science. The course is conducted in three phases: First, the cadet and the individual advisor from the Military Art and Science faculty reach agreement on a subject area of research, and research methods are studied under the direction of the faculty member. Research may involve field trips and personal interviews with experts in the area of study. In the second phase, the cadet engages in the independent research and prepares a draft analytical paper or report detailing the findings. During this period, frequent consultation with the faculty advisor occurs regarding the progress in the project. In the third phase, the cadet presents and defends the findings before a faculty committee.

3 Credit Hours



THE WILLIAM E. SIMON CENTER FOR THE PROFESSIONAL MILITARY ETHIC



The center leads programs that assist each cadet in synthesizing experiences and inspiring personal ownership of a self-identity as a future officer. It supervises the Honor and Respect committees and develops and executes outreach initiatives to the Army and to civilian colleges/universities. It sponsors research, writing, and teaching about the Professional Military Ethic.

The William E. Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic (SCPME) in the United States Corps of Cadets traces its origins to the very early 1900s and the traditions that guided cadet life informally with the Corps of Cadets for the first hundred years of the academy's existence. In 1922, Academy Superintendent General Douglas MacArthur established the Cadet Honor Committee and formalized the Honor Code: "A Cadet will not lie, cheat, or steal, or tolerate those who do." Following a 1976 cheating scandal, the academy adopted recommendations from a commission led by former Apollo 8 astronaut and academy graduate Colonel (Ret.) Frank Borman. The Superintendent established commissioned officer oversight of the Cadet Honor Committee with appointment of a Special Assistant to the Commandant for Honor Matters. In 1992, the Respect for Others Program became the second bedrock value espoused by the academy. The Commandant of Cadets established a Cadet Respect Committee responsible for cadet human relations issues, with officer oversight provided by a Special Assistant to the Commandant for Respect. In 1998, the Commandant established the Center for the Professional Military Ethic (CPME) with the support of both the Army and the academy's leadership and the generous financial support of numerous individual and corporate donors.

The Center for the Professional Military Ethic was charged with bringing a new cohesiveness to the moral-ethical training of cadets. While the Cadet Honor Code and the motto, "Duty, Honor, Country," provide the underpinnings of cadets' moral ethos, the academy leadership established the center to deepen cadets' understanding of the Professional Military Ethic and better coordinate the ethical development programs across the academy curriculum. The center also has been charged to serve as the academy focal point for developing a professional concept of "Officership" within the Corps of Cadets.

In November 2000, the Center for the Professional Military Ethic was formally dedicated to the memory of former Secretary of the Treasury, business leader, adventurer, and philanthropist William E. Simon. The Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic is a visible and daily reminder to cadets of their commitment to integrity and ethical behavior, located in the newly renovated First Division Barracks in the heart of the cadet area at West Point.

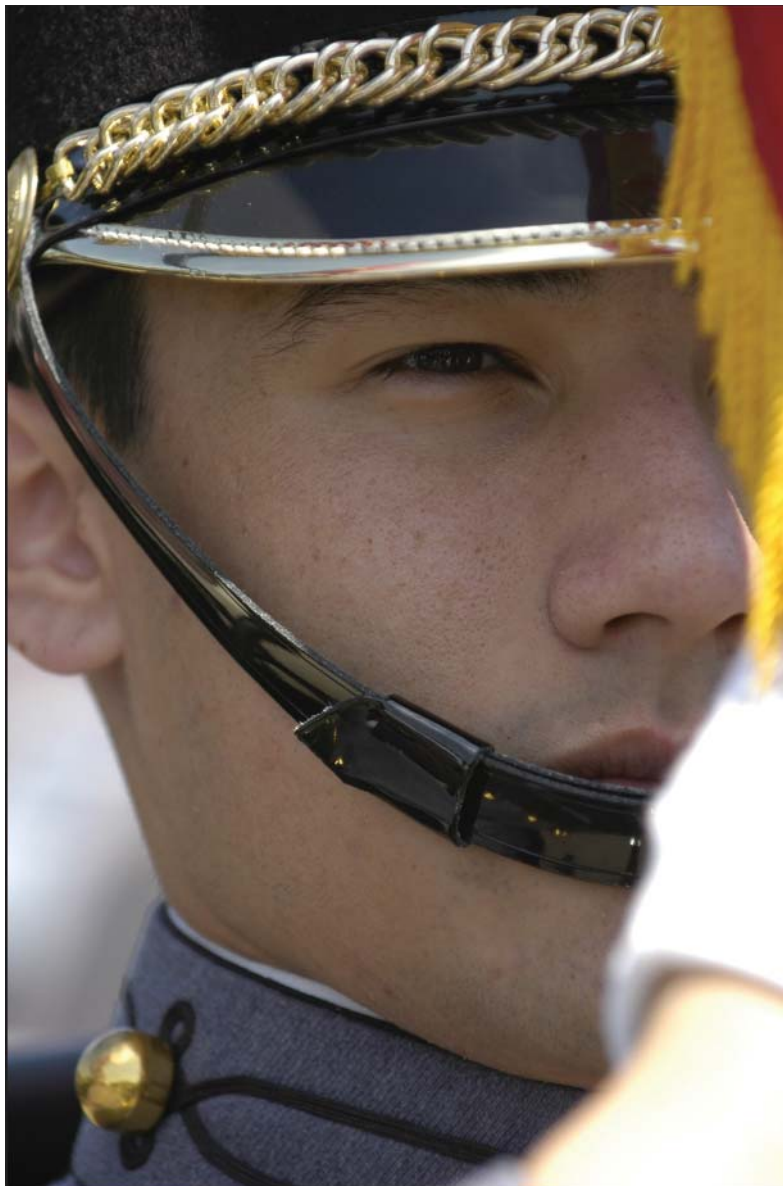
The Simon Center of the Professional Military Ethic has benefited significantly from the generous donations of many West Point graduates and classes that have funded programs within the center. For example, the William E. Simon Foundation Endowment Funds sponsor the majority of the ethics programs, conferences, and events for SCPME. The Visiting Scholar and the Battle Command Conference is sponsored by the West Point Class of 1966 in conjunction with the Bradley Foundation and the Norman R. Augustine Endowment. The West Point Class of 1970 sponsors the annual National Conference on Ethics in America (NCEA), which focuses on character, leadership, and integrity in college, the professional world, and beyond; the annual conference attracts more than 180 students and 40 faculty members from 80 different colleges and universities, including all the U.S. service academies. The West Point Classes of 1939 and 1941 support the fall and winter Professional Military Ethic Education (PME2) Conferences each year, where cadets and faculty unite and plan for the upcoming Character Education Curriculum for cadets. The Class of 1957 dedicated the Honor Plaza, which showcases the history of the Cadet Honor Code in a very impressive and inspiring public area. The Nininger Hall Historic Museum rooms were sponsored by the West Point Classes of 1930, 1939, 1951, and 1960, and Nininger Hall upkeep is sponsored by the West Point Class of 1941. The West Point Class of 1969 is currently raising reunion year funds to support the funding of the Professor of Officership position.

The Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic:

The mission of the Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic is to supervise the Cadet Honor / Respect Programs and develop, coordinate, and integrate curriculum and other activities within West Point on the Professional Military Ethic to promote an understanding of Officership and the development of a professional self-concept within all graduates. The Simon Center:

- Develops, coordinates, assesses, and integrates West Point programs that contribute to the development of a professional self-concept in cadets through Professional Military Ethic Education.
- Supervises Cadet Honor and Respect Programs.
- Serves as the Army Center of Excellence for the study of Officership and Continuing Education in the Professional Military Ethic.
- Conducts outreach to expose external organizations to the West Point character-development programs.
- Assists the United States Corps of Cadets (USCC) major subordinate commands in the education and training of military and civilian faculty and staff on equal opportunity-related issues.
- Conducts research of the Professional Military Ethic, including review of current content and the development and integration of new resources and programs, in order to ensure a comprehensive education for leaders.

The Simon Center is organized around four principal programs: The Honor Program, the Respect Program, the Center for Officership, and the Professional Military Ethics Education (PME2) program.



HONOR AND RESPECT PROGRAMS OF EXCELLENCE

“He who feels the respect which is due to others cannot fail to inspire in them regard for himself, while he who feels, and hence manifests, disrespect toward others, especially his inferiors, cannot fail to inspire hatred against himself.”

Major General John M. Schofield

The Honor Program

“Duty, Honor, Country. Those three hallowed words reverently dictate what you ought to be, what you can be, what you will be. They are your rallying points.”

General Douglas MacArthur spoke these words to the Corps of Cadets May 12, 1962, in his farewell address to West Point. The Cadet Honor Program is the very core of the United States Military Academy. It develops a cadet's character through a 47-month experience. The program's foundation is the Cadet Honor Code, which states “A Cadet will not lie, cheat, steal, or tolerate those who do.”

The Honor Code is administered by the Cadet Honor Committee. Its members are elected by their peers and appointed for two years. They are responsible for

the education of the standards and requirements of the Honor Code, its system and procedures.

The Respect Program

“Not all leader issues are respect issues, but all respect issues are leader issues.”

For generations the United States Military Academy has advocated respect for others as an integral part of leadership and inherent to the ethos of the professional military officer. The ability to educate, train, and inspire leaders of character is linked to the academy's commitment to ensuring a positive command climate, eliminating discrimination, and fostering an atmosphere in which cadets can learn and develop equally without prejudice. In order to ensure a healthy command

climate and focus more succinctly on character development, West Point maintains the Respect Program. The intent of the program is to engender a professional attitude that encompasses every aspect of cadet life and that is essential for effective leadership in the Army.

The United States Army and the United States Military Academy will not tolerate violations of equal opportunity (prejudicial and discriminatory behavior or unfair treatment based on race, religion, national origin, color, or gender). One function of the Respect Program is to bring awareness to and educate cadets on equal opportunity issues. The program fosters cadets' understanding of and commitment to the fundamental principle that each individual intrinsically has infinite dignity and worth.



THE CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FOR OFFICERSHIP AND THE PROFESSIONAL MILITARY ETHIC



The Visiting Scholar Program

The Visiting Scholar program is integral to the operation of the Center and its programs. Currently the position is held by General (Ret) Frederick M. Franks. The visiting scholar advises the director on the program of instruction designed to develop a self-concept of the Professional Military Ethic within the Corps of Cadets. He also assists the Army, other services, and appropriate national institutions on leadership doctrine and education relating to the Profession of Arms and scholastic integrity. The visiting scholar is also directly responsible for course design and instruction of the MS497 Battle Command course, which is a First Class elective designed to integrate all elements of a cadet's development focused on command in battle.

The Professional Military Ethics Education (PME2) Program

The purpose of Professional Military Ethic Education is to provide cadet facilitated instruction focused on reinforcing the Cadet Leadership Development System outcome goals. PME2 is designed to reinforce current academy programs, assist in developing the self-concept of Officership, and instill the ethos of the American Military Profession. The curriculum is a mixture of small group discussion, online scenarios, reflective reading and writing assignments and guest lectures. The PME2 program is flexible and designed to complement cadet education in three fundamentally important areas in the development of leaders of character: values education, Officership and leader skill development.



The Department of Physical Education develops warrior leaders of character who are physically and mentally tough by engaging cadets in activities that promote and enhance the warrior ethos, lifelong physical fitness, movement behavior, and psychomotor performance. The physical program helps future leaders develop physical skills, self-confidence, respect for fair play, and a commitment to maintain individual and unit physical fitness. The Department of Physical Education develops leaders of character through a coordinated, challenging, and safe physical education and fitness experience.





The Physical Education Core Program consists of:

- Basic Instruction skills classes (Survival Swimming, Boxing/Fundamentals of Combatives, Military Movement, Army Combat Applications).
- Personal and unit fitness instruction.
- Lifetime sports skills and knowledge.
- Fitness assessment to determine individual status and progress.
- A compulsory competitive sports program for all cadets.

The Physical Education curriculum is integrated with the cadet summer training program and the competitive sports program to provide all cadets a physical-development experience unmatched in the United States.

During the first year of physical education, cadets must strive to achieve a baseline of movement skills, physical fitness, knowledge, and self-confidence necessary to meet the future physical requirements of the United States Military Academy and the Army. All cadets are required to pass the following core courses: PE117 Military Movement, PE115 Fundamentals of Combatives (women only), PE116 Boxing (men only), and PE150 Fundamentals of Fitness.

During the second year of physical education, cadets enhance physical readiness, self-confidence, and physical fitness. Enrollment in one lifetime physical activity course is mandatory for all cadets. The Lifetime Physical Activity program, PE212-251, is designed to develop a foundation of skills, knowledge, and personal attributes that will enable cadets to successfully participate in lifetime sports, provide motivation for continued improvement, and establish a pattern of physical activity for a lifetime.

The third year of physical education affords cadets the opportunity to take PE350 Army Fitness Development and PE320-323 Survival Swimming. Army Fitness Development focuses on the theory and application of developing personal and unit fitness. Cadets learn to apply the knowledge of personal fitness to Soldiers within a unit setting. Cadets may elect to enroll in a Lifetime Physical Activity, PE412-PE451.

During the fourth year of physical education, cadets enhance their personal fitness, warrior ethos, and leadership skills. Cadets are required to take PE460 Army Combat Applications, a full-contact close quarters combat course that stresses the direct application of both the physical skills and warrior ethos required of leaders in combat. Upon successful completion of the course, each cadet will be better equipped to move, fight, and win both individually and as a member of a team in any environment and/or situation.

In addition to the instructional coursework, every cadet must participate in a competitive sport (company squad, club squad, or corps squad) during each academic term. Additionally, Second Class cadets must pass the Indoor Obstacle Course Test.

Baseline requirements are established for all cadets. The objective is for all cadets to share the same physical development experience in a cadet-centered environment. All cadets are required to complete and pass core instructional courses and physical fitness assessments, and also participate in competitive sports during each academic term.

Required Core Courses

PE109 Fundamentals of Aquatics

Prerequisite—Selected cadets only.

Fundamentals of Aquatics is an introductory swimming exploration program designed to prepare non-swimmers for success in PE110 Survival Swimming/Elementary. The program is arranged sequentially to help cadets acquire in-water experiences, and gradually refine the basic motor skills needed to be comfortable, safe, and effective while engaged in and around the aquatic environment.

.5 Credit Hours

PE115 Fundamentals of Combatives (Women)

This is an entry-level course in which women are introduced to an integrated set of basic self-defense skills and the strategies and tactics necessary to avoid, escape, or break a physical assault. Course content includes methods of falling, stances, movement, striking, kicking, and blocking skills. Women are evaluated on the application of these skills to structured self-defense scenarios. This course enables a woman to protect herself in the role of Soldier in time of conflict and as an individual in today's society.

.5 Credit Hours

PE116 Combatives II: Boxing (Men)

This is a course in which the offensive and defensive skills of amateur boxing are taught. Course content includes stances, movement, basic punches (i.e. jab, cross, hook, and uppercut), defenses, strategies, and tactics. Instruction on refereeing, judging, and serving as a corner second are presented. Boxers are evaluated or assessed and provided feedback on the ability to box. The course exposes participants to the coping strategies necessary to deal with a physical threat.

.5 Credit Hours



PE117 Military Movement

Military Movement exposes cadets to a variety of basic movement skills. The course serves as a basis for many other athletic and military activities that cadets will encounter during their time at USMA as well as in their Army careers. Focus is placed on applied movement tasks for all cadets. This course takes a basic movement theme approach, meaning cadets are required to learn a variety of relevant skills from within the general themes of rolling, hanging, climbing, crawling, jumping, vaulting, landing, mounting, supporting, and swinging. Movement environments are designed around specific events such as tumbling, vaulting, vertical ropes, horizontal ropes, indoor obstacle course, horizontal bars, elephant vault, ankles to the bar, chin-ups, and trampoline.

.5 Credit Hours

PE150 Fundamentals of Fitness

The purpose of this course is to introduce the dimensions of personal fitness that define a healthy lifestyle. By empowering cadets with the knowledge and skills to shape their personal well-being, a sense of self-responsibility is developed for a lifetime of fitness for themselves and their Soldiers.

1.5 Credit Hours

PE 320-323 Survival Swimming

The Survival Swimming course is designed to develop aquatic proficiency. The program of instruction is divided into two areas: basic swimming and combat/survival swimming. Emphasis in all levels is on the military applications of swimming and survival skills, including the elements of breath control, buoyancy positions, stroke assessment, and swimming endurance. Grading is primarily based on criterion-referenced scales in basic and survival swimming skills.

.5 Credit Hours

PE350 Army Fitness Development

The purpose of this course is to provide cadets with the knowledge and skills required to develop effective personal and unit fitness programs. Cadets will demonstrate the ability to apply the principles of personal fitness training concepts in the development of unit fitness assessments and training programs.

1.5 Credit Hours

PE412-451 Lifetime Sports

The Lifetime Sports Program is designed to develop a foundation of skills, knowledge, and personal attributes, which will enable cadets to successfully participate in lifetime sports, provide motivation for continued improvement, and establish a pattern of physical activity for a lifetime. Enrollment in one lifetime sport is mandatory for all Third Class cadets.

.5 Credit Hours

PE460 Army Combat Applications

Army Combat Applications exposes cadets to a comprehensive set of unarmed combat skills, and the strategies and tactics needed to neutralize a physical attack. Responses to striking, kicking, joint locking, choking, throwing, and ground grappling attacks are taught with an emphasis on submission holds applied on the ground as finishing techniques. The course is designed to increase cadets' confidence in their ability to defend themselves from all forms of striking and grappling attacks and to foster the development of a combat-survival mindset. Cadets are evaluated on their demonstration of required skills and their performances in simulated combat/self defense scenarios.

.5 Credit Hours

The Kinesiology Major

Kinesiology is the study of the physiological, psychological, and mechanical aspects of human movement. The Kinesiology major is a scientifically based, interdisciplinary field of study that includes content in exercise physiology, biomechanics, sports medicine, sports nutrition, exercise psychology, exercise epidemiology, etc. Areas of inquiry range in scope from the study of the molecular response of cells to the response and adaptation of the whole body. The Kinesiology major covers a wide spectrum of performance issues involving muscular and cardiovascular physiology, energy balance, exercise adherence, and neuromuscular control overload, capacity, and energy. The Kinesiology major is applicable to a myriad of Army missions.

KN355 Functional Anatomy

This course is designed to provide cadets with a detailed study of basic human anatomy and causal relationships between skeletal muscles and structures and the science of human movement.

3 Credit Hours

KN360 Biometrics of Human Movement

This course is designed to provide cadets with a basic understanding of the biomechanical analysis of movement. Cadets will study human motion through the examination of forces acting on the body and the effects produced by these forces. Applications in exercise, sport, rehabilitation, and occupational settings will be explored.

3 Credit Hours

KN365 Nutrition for Performance

This course is designed to provide a broad foundation and understanding of the metabolic aspects of human performance. A variety of topics will be discussed to assist the cadets' understanding of the systematic nature of exercise metabolism. Additional several peer-reviewed journals will be utilized to expose students to applied research and assist with the understanding of exercise metabolism.

3 Credit Hours

KN455 Psychology of Exercise

This course is designed to introduce cadets to the psychology of physical activity and exercise. It starts by providing definitional clarity of terms and concepts associated with exercise, as well as a review of the generally accepted guidelines for physical activity, the components of health-related fitness, and the principles of exercise.

3 Credit Hours

KN460 Exercise Physiology

This course is designed to provide a broad foundation and understanding of the physiological aspects of human performance. Specific laboratory assessments will be utilized to assist in the understanding. Peer-reviewed journal reviews will be utilized to expose students to applied physiological research and assist with the understanding of human performance physiology. The capstone project will include a comprehensive physiological self-profile utilizing both field and laboratory assessments.

3.5 Credit Hours





The athletic program is an essential part of the total West Point Experience.

Mission

The mission of the Office of the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics (ODIA) is to contribute to the achievement of the USMA physical program goals by providing cadets the opportunity to compete at their highest level of ability in an array of competitive intercollegiate athletic teams that emphasize winning championships, leadership development, and character growth.



ODIA Goals

- Reinforce the cadet-athlete commitment to excellence in academic, military, and physical programs.
- Provide a broad array of competitive opportunities and field competitive teams at the highest level compatible with other USMA programs.
- Achieve excellence and develop leaders of character through spirited competition, fair play, thorough preparation, teamwork, dedication, and self-sacrifice.
- Support the concept of equity for all teams and cadet-athletes.
- Comply fully with the letter and spirit of NCAA legislation.
- Operate a financially sound athletic program.

Every Cadet an Athlete

The athletic program is guided by the dictum, "Every cadet an athlete, every athlete challenged." Every cadet at West Point competes in intercollegiate, club or intramural sports. In addition, each cadet participates in the physical education program. The value of athletic experience to the potential Army officer has long been recognized. General Douglas MacArthur, superintendent shortly after World War I, was largely responsible for establishing the first-rate athletic program of the U.S. Military Academy. MacArthur's view was that "The training on the athletic field, which produces in a superlative degree the attributes of fortitude, self-control, resolution, courage, mental agility, and of course, physical development, is one completely fundamental to an efficient soldiery." The success of West Point's academic, athletic, and military training programs is well documented. The four-year graduation rate for all cadets (as well as cadet-athletes) remains stable at a very commendable 82 percent each year.

Intercollegiate Athletics

General MacArthur's feelings regarding the position athletics holds within the overall training of the cadet takes on special meaning with a look at some of the distinguished graduates who earned their Army "A" while at West Point. Among them are former President and General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, General of the Army Omar N. Bradley and General James A. Van Fleet.

Former Army football stars Felix "Doc" Blanchard, the late Glenn Davis, and Pete Dawkins all earned the coveted Heisman Trophy, an award presented annually to the best college football player in the nation. Dawkins, who retired from the US Army in 1983 with the rank of Brigadier General, was captain of the football squad, class president and First Captain of the Corps of Cadets, the highest leadership position for cadets at West Point. He was also a Rhodes scholar and the youngest man



"There are a thousand reasons for failure, but not a single excuse."

Mike Reid, Football Player



ever named to the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame.

In recent years, the number of intercollegiate varsity sports has leveled off at 25, of which men may participate in 16 and women in 10 (with rifle qualifying as West Point's lone co-ed sport). More than one-quarter of the entire Corps of Cadets compete on the intercollegiate level.

In February 2000, ODIA's athletic program was presented with its NCAA certification, signifying that the program remains in substantial conformity with NCAA guidelines.

Eighteen of West Point's 25 sports teams compete in the Patriot League. The Patriot League was founded on the principles of maintaining teams of athletes whose academic ability and progress are representative of the entire cadet body, the awarding of athletic scholarships on the basis of need, and holding institutional



presidents directly responsible for governance and policy.

West Point's football program competes as an independent. Football continues to generate most of the national interest for the intercollegiate athletic program at West Point. Historic Michie Stadium has long been recognized as one of the premier college football venues in the nation. In 1999, the editors of Sports Illustrated cited Michie Stadium as their third most-favorite sporting venue, behind Yankee Stadium and Augusta National Golf Course. Visitors from a four-state region of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania consistently flock to the banks of the Hudson on football Saturdays to be a part of the splendor of an Army football game day. Sellout crowds are a custom at Michie Stadium, where football is only part of a day spent immersed in tradition and history. The Black Knights compete at the Division I-A level in football and play a national schedule that includes foes such as Texas A&M, Texas Christian University, and Notre Dame as well as the annual service academy battles with Air Force and Navy.

In the fall, Army also fields intercollegiate squads for men in soccer, cross country, and sprint football, while the women are active in cross country, volleyball, and soccer. With the exception of sprint football, which competes in the Eastern Sprint Football League, and varsity football, all other fall sports are members of the Patriot League.

The winter months are the busiest, athletically, with 10 squads competing on the intercollegiate level. While men participate in basketball, hockey, gymnastics, rifle, indoor track, wrestling, and swimming, women are active in basketball, swimming, indoor track, and rifle. Army's hockey team, which competed as a Division I independent before joining College Hockey America in 1999-2000, now competes in the Atlantic Hockey League. Wrestling maintains its longtime membership in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association, the gymnastics squad competes in the Eastern College Athletic Conference and rifle is a member of the Great American Rifle Conference. All others compete in the Patriot League. During the spring, Army teams compete in baseball, lacrosse, tennis, golf, and outdoor track on the men's level while West Point sponsors women's sports in softball, tennis, and outdoor track. Each spring team is a member of the Patriot League.

Athletics remains an essential part of West Point's mission to develop leaders of character for our nation's future.

The following is a list of intercollegiate athletic teams fielded by the academy.

FALL	
Men	Women
Cross Country*	Cross Country*
Football	Volleyball*
Soccer*	Soccer*
Sprint Football	
WINTER	
Men	Women
Basketball*	Basketball*
Gymnastics	Rifle
Hockey	Swimming*
Indoor Track*	Indoor Track*
Rifle	
Swimming*	
Wrestling	
SPRING	
Men	Women
Baseball*	Outdoor Track*
Golf*	Softball
Lacrosse*	Tennis*
Outdoor Track*	
Tennis*	

* Denotes membership in the Patriot League.



“The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will.”

Vincent T. Lombardi,
Football Coach



2008 Schedule



Temple ESPNU/ESPN

Friday • Aug. 29 • 7 p.m.
Michie Stadium, West Point, N.Y.



New Hampshire ESPNU/ESPN

Saturday • Sept. 6 • TBA
Michie Stadium, West Point, N.Y.



Akron ESPNU/ESPN

Saturday • Sept. 20 • TBA
Michie Stadium, West Point, N.Y.



at Texas A&M TBA

Saturday • Sept. 27 • 7 p.m.
Kyle Field, College Station, Texas



at Tulane Cox Sports

Saturday • Oct. 4 • 3 p.m.
Tad Gormley Stadium, New Orleans, La.



E. Michigan ESPNU/ESPN

Saturday • Oct. 11 • TBA
Michie Stadium, West Point, N.Y.



at Buffalo TBA

Saturday • Oct. 18 • 1 p.m.
UB Stadium, Buffalo, N.Y.



Louisiana Tech ESPNU/ESPN

Saturday • Oct. 25 • TBA
Michie Stadium, West Point, N.Y.



Air Force ESPNU/ESPN

Saturday • Nov. 1 • TBA
Michie Stadium, West Point, N.Y.



at Rice TBA

Saturday • Nov. 8 • 3 p.m.
Rice Stadium, Houston, Texas



at Rutgers TBA

Saturday • Nov. 22 • TBA
Rutgers Stadium, Piscataway, N.J.



vs. Navy (CBS)

Saturday • Dec. 6 • 12 p.m.
Lincoln Financial Field, Philadelphia, Pa.

All times Eastern and subject to change



Duty, Honor, Country ... and a little relaxation in between.

All for the Corps! Simply put, Directorate of Cadet Activities provides the “fun” in a cadet’s rigorous schedule.

The mission of Cadet Activities is to significantly enhance the development of the United States Corps of Cadets



militarily, physically, academically, moral-ethically, and socially by providing organized, comprehensive and diverse programs and facilities that provide for entertainment, extracurricular, recreational, cultural and social activities.

According to the 2005 Princeton Review, DCA has the most robust co-curricular program in the nation. One out of three cadets participates in one of our 115 cadet clubs, but three out of three are impacted by DCA. Whether they are attending a performance at our premier Eisenhower Hall Theatre, reading their award-winning yearbooks, dining at Grant Hall, buying an Army-Navy T-shirt, or lifting their glasses at a class weekend event, they are participating in our extensive social program. Our operations are funded through our business operations, the efforts of the Association of Graduates, and direct donations. All profits return to the Corps.

for senior cadets; a juice bar in Arvin Gymnasium, serving a wide variety of smoothies and light fare; and a catering operation that provides the opportunity for cadets to hold official functions, company tailgates, and parties. Cuisine is prepared under the direction of our Culinary Institute of America-graduate chef.

DCA also manages two retail stores, where cadets can shop for everything from school supplies to computers to brand-name clothing. The West Point Bookstore, located in Thayer Hall, provides cadets with the latest bestsellers, regularly bringing in top authors for book signings. Its for-sale items also include cards, supplies, and gifts. The Cadet Store, located in Central Area, offers cadets an inexpensive means to purchase the finest in jewelry and clothing, and all their uniform items and other necessities.

The Arts

For more than 30 years, the stage of West Point's Eisenhower Hall Theatre – the second-largest theatre on the East Coast – has hosted hundreds of top-name artists (Think Pavoratti, Jerry Seinfeld, Tony Bennett, Toby

Social Life

Though their schedules are demanding, cadets do find time to take advantage of the many social opportunities available to them. Frequent dances bring students from neighboring campuses. Cadets hold social functions in the ski lodge, the golf club, the quaint railroad depot, two lake cabins, and even on West Point's excursion boats.

Throughout the year, special weekends are held for each class, which include formal banquets, dances, and other activities to which guests are invited. Movies, plays, concerts, other live entertainment, and dances in Eisenhower Hall are common weekend activities.

DCA's restaurant facilities include Grant Hall, the 175-seat on-campus restaurant that serves lunch, dinner, and snacks, and now also features a coffee/smoothie bar; the Firstie Club, the sports bar open nightly



Keith, Jon Stewart, and more ...), major Broadway productions (Les Miserables, Miss Saigon, Rent, Aida, to name a few ...), and unique, large-scale, cultural entertainment (Stomp, Lord of the Dance, Boston Pops, and many more). Cadets are given the opportunity to experience these world-class performances in our gorgeous hall, free of charge or at a discounted price. For more information about theatre performances, please go to www.ikehall.com.

For cadets who prefer to be behind the stage, the Cadet Theatre Arts Guild provides an opportunity to demonstrate their talents. The group produces major productions each year at Eisenhower Hall Theatre, and the cadet crews also

provide the behind-the-scenes technical assistance required for the 20-plus visit-ing performers and attractions booked each year. For cadets interested in working in another capacity at the theatre, the staff and ushers provide patron assistance at all performances.

The Class of 1929 Art Gallery in the Eisenhower Hall Theatre presents an ambitious series of visual art exhibitions. Typically, five or six exhibitions are featured during the academic season, giving cadets the utmost exposure to the visual arts.

Cadet Extracurricular Clubs

Operating under the Directorate of Cadet Activities, more than 115

different extracurricular clubs provide a wide variety of activities designed to enhance the athletic, recreational, hobby, academic, and religious interests of the individual cadet as well as provide direct support to both the Corps of Cadets and West Point.

Athletic Teams

The Directorate of Cadet Activities supports 26 competitive sport teams, many of which have enjoyed regional and national honors. All offer cadets opportunities to experience competition in diverse areas.

The Hudson River provides training ground for the **Sailing** and **Crew** teams. Cadets explore the open roads of the Hudson Valley on the **Cycling**, **Marathon**, and **Triathlon** teams. The **Sport Parachute** team takes in the picturesque view from above. The area's natural terrain is also utilized by the **Orienteering**, **Mountaineering**, and **Skeet** and **Trap** teams. Winter snows are always a plus for the **Alpine** and **Nordic** ski teams.

State-of-the-art facilities on post host several other teams, including **Boxing**, **Fencing**, **Judo**, **Women's Lacrosse**, **Martial Arts**, the **Combat Applications Program**, **Pistol**, **Powerlifting**, **Men's and Women's Rugby**, **Men's and Women's Team Handball**, **Men's Volleyball**, **Water Polo**, and **Wrestling**. Horse stables in nearby Highland Falls provide training grounds for the **Equestrian** team.

Hobby Groups

Cadets are afforded the opportunity to enhance their recreational interests through participation in one or more of the hobby groups available through extracurricular activities.

The cadet **Flying Club** provides cadets an opportunity to train for a Federal Aviation Administration license or maintain previously acquired flying skills. Several other clubs, such as the **Fishing** and **Inline Hockey** clubs, focus on adventure and skill development. **The Chess Club**, **Close-Combat Team**, **Mountain Bike Club**, **Ski Club**, and the **Whitewater Canoe Club** broaden the cadet experience.

Of equal interest are activities of other hobby groups such as the **Scuba Diving Club**. This club traditionally has enjoyed excellent diving off the coast of Florida during spring break.



“The real price of everything, what everything really costs to the man who wants to acquire it, is the toil and trouble of acquiring it.”

Adam Smith





CADET ACTIVITIES



Support Groups

Various support groups provide ser-vice to both the Corps of Cadets and West Point.

The **Cadet Glee Club** is one of the most well-known collegiate singing groups in the nation. Their concert schedule often includes appearances throughout the United States and on national television. In 2008, the Glee Club performed at Yankee Stadium before a Detroit Pistons game, and for a PBS concert special scheduled to be broadcast in 2009. Also, four cadets performed with Billy Joel during his final concerts at Shea Stadium.

The **Rabble Rousers, Rally Committee, Mule Riders, and Cadet Band** form the nucleus of spirit support activity for the Corps of Cadets. These activities work together as a team in support of the many Army athletic competitions.

Operating the cadet radio station is only one aspect of **WKDT**. In addition to regular broadcasts, members of **WKDT** provide DJs for many of the cadet hops and radio coverage for many Army athletic events. Other musical organiza-tions include the cadet **Pipes and Drums**, the cadet **Hop Band** organization, and the **Gospel Choir**.

Cadet publications include the award-winning **Howitzer Yearbook**, **The Pointer** and **Mortar** magazines, **The Circle in the Spiral** literary journal, the **Bugle Notes** freshman handbook, the **West Point Calendar** and the **West Point Planner**. All offer cadets the opportunity to develop and extend writing, photographic, and graphic talents.

Many cadets step out of the West Point community to help in veterans' hospitals, juvenile correctional institutions, and young people's organizations. **The Cadet Scoutmasters' Council** works with local Boy Scout units and annually hosts a camporee, which draws more than 3,000 scouts from all over the Eastern Seaboard.

Academic Clubs

Cadets assimilate the literature and customs of foreign nations through language and cultural clubs. Participants in the **Arabic, Asian-Pacific, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Korean-American, Portuguese, Russian,** and

Spanish language clubs engage in activities designed to provide a better understanding of the culture behind the spoken and written words. Taking trip sections, organizing cultural festivals, and hosting guest lecturers further this goal.

Cadet math and science clubs sponsor innovative projects, discussion groups, and field trips. Groups active in this category include the **American Chemical Society, Operations Research Society of America, Astronomy Club, Mathematics Forum,** and **Society of Physics Cadets**.

Cadets majoring in Engineering have the opportunity to go beyond the classroom to further their skills and education through participation in conferences, trip sections to research institutions, and membership in professional organizations. Engineering clubs include the **American Society of Engineering Management, American Society of Civil Engineers, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Mechanical Engineering Club, National Society of Black Engineers,** and the **National Organization of the Society of Women Engineers**.

More than 600 cadets participate in intellectually stimulating programs of the **Debate Council and Forum**. The debate team participates each year in national intercollegiate policy debate competitions across the nation. The **West Point Forum** prepares cadets for cadet conferences, UN forums, and trips to the nation's capital. The **Domestic Affairs**

Forum hosts guest lecturers and conducts trips to discuss policy issues with lawmakers.

The **Cadet Conference of U.S. Affairs** brings students from other universities and government officials to West Point to discuss major issues in American foreign policy with cadets.

The **Finance Forum** provides an open forum for cadets to discuss financial issues, the stock market, and business management. Cadets are afforded the opportunity to speak with professionals in financial fields while on trip sections. In addition, West Point hosts learned guest lecturers.

Religious Clubs

Several West Point clubs revolve around religious activities. Cadets actively participate in church singing groups and choirs, work in Sunday Schools, hold retreats, and support other religious activities and events. Clubs include the **Baptist Cadet Union, Cadet Catholic Folk Group, Catholic Chapel Choir, Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship, Church of Christ, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Jewish Chapel Choir, Latter Day Saints, Navigators, Officers Christian Fellowship,** and the **Protestant Chapel Choir and Sunday School Teachers**.

For more information about cadet clubs and activities, please visit the Cadet Activities website at www.westpoint.edu/uscc/dca.





Cadets at West Point enjoy the unparalleled opportunities offered by Cadet Activities, but they also benefit from the support of the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Division, an organization that exists to maintain the quality of life for Soldiers and their Families at every permanent US Army post in the world.





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How many college campuses have ski slopes with downhill and cross-country skiing, tubing and snowboarding; 18-hole golf courses with driving ranges; equestrian facilities and trails; auto shops with lifts students can use for their cars; state-of-the-art bowling center; mountain lakes with swimming, boating, camping, and fishing? The United States Military Academy does! And all those facilities are maintained and operated by West Point FMWR.

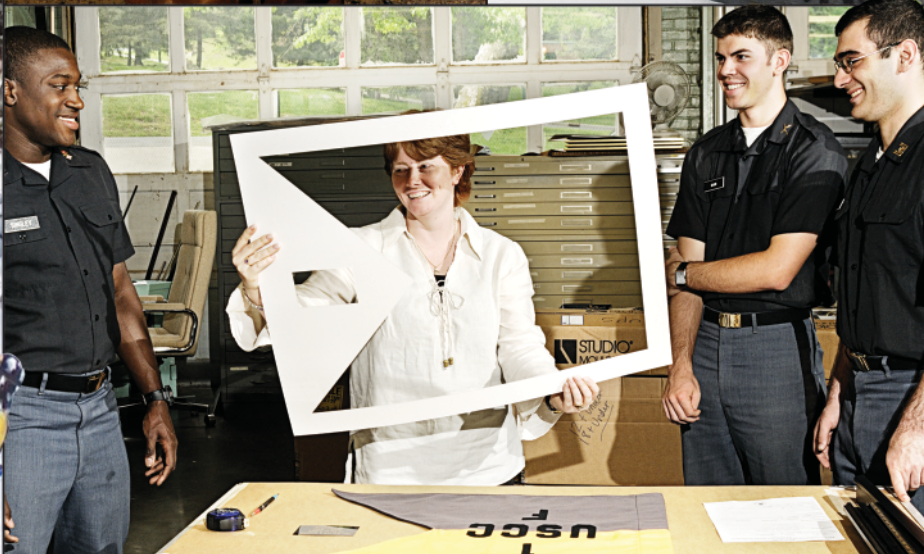
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recreational facilities FMWR maintains at West Point and worldwide – the “R” in “FMWR” – they also provide for the “F,” “M” and “W” of Soldiers and their Families. FMWR offers everything from child-care facilities to financial counseling to a community library – everything needed to provide a caring, community atmosphere. FMWR even sponsors “BOSS” – Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers – which has activities and facilities for Soldiers without spouses to enjoy. Visit West Point FMWR’s website – www.westpointmwr.com – for more information.

After graduation ...

No matter where duty takes a Soldier, there's always a caring community waiting, courtesy of FMWR. After graduation, when, as officers in the US Army, West Point graduates are charged with the well-being of their troops, US Army FMWR will be there for support. Visit their website – www.armymwr.com – to see what they offer.





Administrative titles at West Point may differ from those at most colleges, but the responsibilities that go along with the titles are similar.



The superintendent, like a college president, heads West Point, and the chief of staff is the principal executive to the superintendent in all command matters, directing and coordinating the formulation of operating policies and implementation of decisions of the superintendent. The dean of the Academic Board, like a college dean of faculty, coordinates the activities of the academic departments and advises the superintendent on academic matters. The commandant of cadets is the military equivalent of a dean of students, overseeing cadet government and supervising the military training of the Corps of Cadets. The garrison commander is the principal executive in matters of installation management and community affairs, devoting special attention to improving the effectiveness, economy, responsiveness and quality of support and services provided to all elements of the academy.

The superintendent, dean, and commandant join the heads of academic departments; the directors of Admissions, Military Instruction, and Physical Education; and the Medical Activity commander, to form the Academic Board, which establishes standards for admission, academic performance, and a wide range of other educational and administrative policies. The faculty, composed primarily of Army officers, combines the wisdom and continuity of tenured professors and associate professors with instructors assigned to West Point for three or four years.

Since 1815, a Board of Visitors, similar in function to a board of trustees, has annually reviewed West Point's curriculum, policies, and equipment and submitted recommendations to the president of the United States.

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A number of supporting activities add significantly to the variety and quality of life at West Point.



Directorate of Information Management

In the early 1800s, cadets at West Point were the first American students to have their lessons illustrated on the chalkboard and among the first students to make extensive use of laboratory equipment. The Directorate of Information Management (DOIM) helps West Point retain its traditional leadership position in instructional technology. Chalk dust still flies, but today the chalkboard is supplemented by audiovisual and computer-assisted instructional technology. Instruction is supplemented by streaming media, virtual reality, and other products of modern technology in the academy's traditional small class sections.

Cadets at West Point were some of the first students in the country to have access to interactive computing via time sharing. Today, each cadet has a notebook computer connected through a state-of-the-art local area network, keeping cadets at the forefront of emerging educational technology.

The DOIM provides data resources for cadet instruction, academy management, and installation support. All cadets learn the basics of computer use and have free access to all of the computing facilities at West Point through the cadet barracks local area network, which is operated and maintained by the DOIM. The latest technology in microcomputer hardware and software is evaluated by the Dean's Information and Education Technology Division (IETD) to determine its applicability and practicality. Selected hardware and software are then retained to be used for development, demonstration, and training purposes by the West Point staff and faculty, thereby helping them remain in the forefront of computing technology. The Dean's Software Engineering Branch

provides software engineering support to the staff and faculty to facilitate admissions, cadet, and academic records processing.

DOIM's Multimedia Branch provides instructors virtually any teaching aid they need to support and enrich classroom instruction. Television, multimedia, and multi-screen audiovisual productions, as well as photographic and graphic design support, are within the branch's area of expertise. The professional-quality color TV studio, in conjunction with a multi-channel closed-circuit TV system, is used to produce and distribute instructional films and tapes, and commercial network or educational TV. This network serves every classroom and laboratory, cadet barracks, study rooms, the library, and many other locations on campus. Portable audio and video equipment and projectors of all description are also available for cadet and faculty use. DOIM's Communications Branch provides total communications support, including a telephone system that supports more than 10,000 lines, using more than 60 miles of telephone cabling.

DOIM provides technical assistance to the academic faculty in applying computers, television, and other educational media to the academic program. Additionally, the directorate serves members of the academic community in a variety of other instructional matters.

The Museum

The West Point Museum is the oldest of the US Army museums, having opened to the public in 1854. Its collections, unlike other military museums in the United States, encompass the military history of the Western world and complement the cadets' study of military history and traditions. Loans to instructors and cadets, and

rotating exhibits in cadet areas make the museum a reference source for the West Point community. The museum also receives frequent requests for information on its collection from researchers throughout the world.



In its accessible location at Pershing Center, the museum supports cadet academic activities while welcoming hundreds of visitors daily free of charge. The exhibits of the West Point museum are divided among six separate galleries. In these galleries the visitor can explore the world's military history from the Stone Age to the space age. It is also possible to trace the history of weapons technology, the growth of the U.S. Military Academy, and the role of the US Army in peace and war. Among the museum's historic memorabilia are a pair of pistols owned by General George Washington, a sword and pistols of Napoleon I, German Field Marshal Hermann Goering's Reichsmarschall baton, Sylvanus Thayer's uniform coat and presentation sword; and the cannon which fired the first shot of the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I.

The museum's original collections date to 1779, when British weaponry captured at the Battle of Saratoga was brought to the fortified camp at West Point. Today the museum still maintains some of these original trophies of war. Artifacts exhibited outside the museum proper include a section of the famous Great Chain stretched across the Hudson River to prevent British navigation of the river, which is displayed on Trophy Point along with artillery pieces of American wars from the Revolution onward. From late May through October visitors are also welcome at Fort Putnam, a key Revolutionary War fortification that provides a commanding view of West Point and the Hudson Highlands. Displays within the fort help to explain its strategic importance. The museum's extensive collection of historical art work and artillery is also exhibited throughout various buildings and exterior sites such as Cullum Memorial Hall, Grant Hall, the Superintendent's quarters and Trophy Point.





The West Point Association of Graduates

Alumni keep in touch with each other and with their alma mater through the West Point Association of Graduates, whose purpose it is to further the ideals and to promote the welfare of the United States Military Academy. The West Point Association of Graduates is a private, tax-exempt, non-profit organization. All living graduates of the Academy, of which there are more than 45,000, are life members of the association. Associate Membership is open to former cadets who served not less than one academic term at West Point, to non-graduate professors and permanent associate professors, and to non-graduate West Point staff and faculty. The Friends of West Point, a third category of membership in the association, is open to cadets' parents and others who wish to have a formal affiliation with West Point. Since its founding in 1869 under the personal leadership of Sylvanus Thayer, "Father of the Military Academy," the Association has circulated historical information and supported West Point through a variety of initiatives.

A major program of the association is support of the West Point Fund. Tax-deductible donations and bequests to the fund add to programs, equipment, facilities, and other improvements at the academy for which government budgetary support is not available or not likely to become available. The use of such gifts is determined by the Superintendent. Gifts directly to the West Point Association of Graduates are earmarked for the Endowment Fund, where they work for West Point and the association in perpetuity. Conditional

gifts are accepted only if their provisions are acceptable to the academy or the association; unrestricted gifts are preferred.

Five annual events sponsored by the association have grown into important traditions at West Point. The Long Gray Line gathers each Graduation Week for the Alumni Parade. Since 1958, the association has presented the Sylvanus Thayer Award, a gold medal given annually to the United States citizen whose life's work best exemplifies devotion to "Duty, Honor, Country." Recipients of the award have included such figures as Henry Cabot Lodge, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Douglas MacArthur, Omar N. Bradley, Colin Powell, Gordon Sullivan and Robert Dole. In 1992 the Association of Graduates established the Distinguished Graduate Award, presented annually to graduates of the United States Military Academy whose character, distinguished

service, and stature draw wholesome comparison to the qualities that West Point strives for in its graduates. Awardees include General Matthew B. Ridgway, General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, Brigadier General Peter M. Dawkins, General Fidel Ramos and General Benjamin O. Davis.

The Association presents awards to cadets, maintains up-to-date addresses of and biographical information about graduates, publishes an annual Register of Graduates and Former Cadets and the bi-monthly magazine Assembly, and assists in the formation of West Point Societies. There are 128 autonomous West Point Societies in this country and abroad that cooperate with the association. The association also administers, on behalf of the academy, an Admissions Support Program, of which the West Point Preparatory Scholarship Program provides partial scholarships to up to 60 candidates each year to assist them in preparing for admission to West Point. The association's offices are in Herbert Alumni Center. Additional information may be obtained from the President and CEO, West Point Association of Graduates, 698 Mills Road, West Point, NY 10996.

West Point Parents Clubs

West Point Parents Clubs are unofficial, non-profit organizations run by and for the parents of cadets. There are approximately 100 clubs across the United States and in Europe and Puerto Rico. By working with the U.S. Military Academy admissions field representatives and West Point Societies, parents clubs support both the academy and cadet parents. To find out about the club in your area, contact the Parents Club Coordinator in the Directorate of Communications by calling (845) 938-5650.





West Point Preparatory School

Many young men and women profit from an additional year of maturing before entering West Point. The U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School (USMAPS) has a 10-month program that prepares selected applicants for entrance to the academy. Each graduate of USMAPS must still compete with other candidates for admission to West Point.

Application procedures depend on a candidate's status — military or civilian — prior to entry. Active Army, Army Reserve and National Guard applicants must follow the steps outlined in Army regulations. Civilian applicants who would like to be considered for USMAPS if not selected for West Point should indicate this on their West Point applications.

USMAPS candidates must meet the same general requirements for admission to West Point. Prep school cadets undergo intensive academic, physical, and military training. The academic program, which includes English and mathematics, is divided into two terms. The first term is a comprehensive review of high school English and mathematics, with emphasis on literature, grammar, algebra, geometry, and trigonometry. The second term is an introduction to college-level composition, literature, solid geometry, spherical trigonometry, and calculus. Electives are available to those who qualify. Rigorous physical training helps condition prep cadets for the athletic program at West Point. USMAPS currently competes in 11 varsity sports and offers a variety of intramural sports.

“Prepsters” get some formal military training, although many cadets have completed basic military training before entering USMAPS. Prepsters are frequently counseled and evaluated on military, academic, and leadership performance, preparing them for life at West Point.

For further information on the West Point Preparatory School, visit their website at www.westpoint.edu/USMAPS.

Appendix A

I. Oath of Allegiance

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and bear true allegiance to the National Government; that I will maintain and defend the sovereignty of the United States, paramount to any and all allegiance, sovereignty, or fealty I may owe to any State or Country whatsoever; and that I will at all times obey the legal orders of my superior officers, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

II. Agreement to Serve

I, having been appointed a cadet of the United States Military Academy, do hereby agree, with the consent of my parents or guardian if I am a minor:

a. To complete the course of instruction at the United States Military Academy;

b. If tendered an appointment as a commissioned officer in one of the armed services upon graduation from the United States Military Academy, to accept such appointment and to serve under such appointment on active duty for at least five consecutive years immediately after such appointment; if my initial appointment hereunder is in a Reserve Component, to accept a commission in a Regular Component if subsequently tendered during the five consecutive years immediately after my initial appointment, and to serve on active duty for the remainder of such period under such appointment.

c. If I am permitted to resign my commission in a Regular Component of one of the Armed Services prior to the eighth anniversary of my graduation, to accept an appointment as a commissioned officer in a Reserve Component of one of the Armed Services and remain therein until such eighth anniversary.

d. To serve a total of eight (8) years from graduation from the United States Military Academy. Any part of that service not completed on active duty must be served in a Reserve Component (not on active duty), unless I am discharged from the Reserve Component by proper military authority.

e. That if I fail to complete the course of instruction of the United States Military Academy, breach my service agreement as defined in paragraph 1.g.(3), Statement of Policies on the next page, or decline to accept an appointment as a commissioned officer, I will serve on active duty as specified in paragraphs 1.b. through 1.g., which are contained in the Statement of Policies on the next page;

f. That if I voluntarily fail, or because of misconduct fail, to complete the period of active duty specified in paragraphs IIb, c, d or e above, I will reimburse the United States in an amount that bears the same ratio to the total cost of advanced

education provided me as the unexpired portion of active duty bears to the total period of active duty I have agreed to serve;

g. Further, that if I am separated from the United States Military Academy for breach of this service agreement, as defined in paragraph 1.g. (3), Statement of Policies on the next page, and the Army decides that I should not be ordered to active duty because such service would not be in the best interests of the Army, I shall be considered to have either voluntarily or because of misconduct failed to complete the period of active duty and may be required to reimburse the United States as described above;

h. For the purpose of this paragraph:

(1) The term "voluntarily fail" includes, but is not limited to, failure to complete the period of active duty because of conscientious objection, because of resignation from the United States Military Academy or United States Army, and marriage while a cadet.

(2) The term "because of misconduct" includes, but is not limited to, termination by the United States Army of my service because of homosexual conduct, criminal conduct, conduct violating the Cadet Honor Code, conduct deficiency under the Cadet Disciplinary System, conduct violating regulations for the discipline of the Corps of Cadets.

(3) The term "course of instruction" is synonymous with the term "educational requirements" as the term is used in 10 USC 2005.

III. Marital Status

I am unmarried, do not presently have custody of a child, do not have a legal obligation of support from a prior marriage, and have no legal obligation to support a child or a former spouse. Furthermore, I understand that a cadet who marries, has custody of a child, incurs a legal obligation of support from a prior marriage, or incurs a legal obligation to support a child or former spouse while a United States Military Academy Cadet will be separated from the United States Military Academy. Divorce, annulment, or other dissolution of a cadet's marriage does not affect or preclude separation under this provision.

My signature constitutes the taking of the Oath of Allegiance, execution of the agreement to serve, my affirmation as to my marital status, the absence of child custody or a court-ordered child support obligation and my acknowledgment that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the statement of policies on the next page. For all male cadets, signing this form also constitutes registration with the Selective Service System in accordance with the Military Selective Service Act. Incident thereto the Department of Defense may transmit my name, permanent address, Social Security Number, and birth date to the Selective

Service System for recording as evidence of the registration.

Sworn to and subscribed before me at West Point, New York, this 30th day of June, two thousand and eight.

USMA Form 5-50 (Previous editions are obsolete) 12 July 2007.

Statement of Policies

1. Department of Defense Directive 1332.23, dated 19 February 1998, as implemented by Army regulations, provides the following direction concerning separation of cadets prior to the completion of the course of instruction or subsequent to graduation on refusal to accept an appointment as a commissioned officer.

a. A cadet who enters the United States Military Academy (USMA) directly from civilian status assumes a military service obligation of eight years (10 USC 651).

b. A cadet who is separated from the USMA because of demonstrated unsuitability, unfitness, or physical disqualification for military service will be discharged in accordance with the applicable Army regulations. Where such a discharge is caused by voluntary action or misconduct on the part of a cadet subject to an active duty obligation, the reimbursement provision of paragraph II f of the Agreement to Serve will apply.

c. A cadet who enters the USMA directly from a civilian status and resigns or is separated from the USMA prior to the commencement of the Second Class academic year will be discharged from the US Army. A resignation tendered by a Fourth or Third Class cadet will be accepted when found to be in the best interest of the service. A cadet who tenders a resignation will be required to state a specific reason for the action.

d. A cadet who enters the Military Academy from the Regular or Reserve Component of any military service and who resigns or is separated from the USMA prior to the commencement of the Second Class academic year will revert to his or her former status for the completion of any prior service obligation, except as noted in this subparagraph. This includes cadets who entered USMA from the United States Military Academy Preparatory School as Invitational Reservists, thereby incurring an eight-year reserve military service obligation. Such a cadet who has no remaining prior service obligation will be discharged. Such a cadet who entered the USMA from the Regular Army or any Reserve Component of the Army and who has at the time of separation a remaining prior service obligation of less than one year, may, upon the approval of the Secretary of the Army or his designee, be discharged with waiver of any prior service obligation. All service as a cadet is counted

in computing the unexpired portion of the enlistment or period of obligated service.

e. A cadet who has commenced his or her Second Class academic year and who resigns or is separated prior to completing the course of instruction, except for physical disqualification, unfitness, or unsuitability, will normally be transferred to a Reserve Component in an enlisted status and, if deemed to have breached his or her service agreement, may be ordered to active duty for not less than two years (10 USC 4348(b)) but no more than four years. The Secretary of the Army or his/her designee will retain final authority to order the individuals to active duty. Completion or partial completion of service obligation acquired by prior enlistment in no way exempts a separated cadet from being transferred to a Reserve Component and ordered to active duty under these provisions.

f. Any First Class cadet who completes the course of instruction and declines to accept an appointment as a commissioned officer will be transferred to a Reserve Component in an enlisted status and ordered to active duty for four (4) years (10 USC 4348(b)).

g. The foregoing provisions will be applied in accordance with the following guidance:

(1) The Second Class academic year shall be deemed to have commenced at noon on the first day of regularly scheduled academic classes following the summer training period. As an exception, the Second Class year for a cadet who is designated a potential mid-year graduate will commence at noon on the first day of regularly scheduled classes in the term following the advancement of that cadet into the Second Class.

(2) In cases where it is necessary to determine whether a cadet resigned prior to or following the commencement of the Second Class year, the critical date is the date the resignation action is initiated by the cadet.

(3) In cases in which the academy discovers an incident giving rise to separation in one academic year, but separation is not initiated (or a resignation in lieu of the same is not forwarded by the chain of command) until the following year, the separation action will be deemed to have "started" on the date of discovery for purposes of computing the service obligation and pay grade under AR 612-205, table 3.

(4) "Breach of service agreement" includes separation resulting from resignation, for any of the bases for separation listed in Table 7-1, Army Regulation 210-26, United States Military Academy, including all additions to Table 7-1 subsequent to the date of this agreement, or from other willful acts or omissions (paragraph 7-9, AR 210-26).

2. Normally, all graduates of the USMA



will be appointed by the President as commissioned second lieutenants on active duty in the United States Army. However, cadets may state a preference for appointment, upon graduation, as a commissioned officer in either the U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, or U.S. Marine Corps (10 U.S.C. 541 (a)). Such appointment will be contingent upon the approval of both the Secretary of the Army and the Service Secretary of the gaining military department.

3. Any First Class cadet, including potential mid-year graduates, in either of the two terms prior to their anticipated graduation, who resigns or is separated, if fully qualified, may be recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the Secretary of the Army, and may be commissioned in a Reserve component. Such action may be appropriate in cases of administrative resignations, including cases of separation for marriage, or child support or similar circumstances. The effective date of rank in the Reserve Component will be no earlier than the graduation date of the individual's class. These cadets may:

(a) Be commissioned in the USAR for service with a Reserve Component unit. There will be an eight-year military service obligation associated with this appointment; or

(b) After receipt of a baccalaureate degree, be commissioned in the USAR and compete with Reserve Officer Training Corps graduates for active duty or active duty for training. The military service obligation for those selected for active duty under this provision will be eight years, three of which will be on active duty.

No such appointment in a commissioned grade in the USAR will be prior to the date of graduation of the class of which the individual concerned was a member at the time of resignation or separation from the USMA.

Appendix B Medical Standards and Disqualifications

DODI 6130.4 and DoDMERB

Requirements for a military appointment include medical standards of fitness. These requirements are contained in the Department of Defense Instruction 6130.4 (January 2005) and are used by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB). DoDMERB determines the medical fitness of all applicants to the five United States service academies and for ROTC scholarship programs. The review by DoDMERB ensures that a candidate does not have a physical or mental condition that would preclude, or be aggravated by, his or her participation in the academic and military duties encountered during the training at West Point or would be an impediment to field duty after graduation.

After submitting your application to West Point, you will receive a letter with instructions on scheduling your medical exam. If you are in the continental United States (CONUS), you will receive the letter from their contractor, Concorde. If you are overseas, you will receive it from DoDMERB. Do not delay. Schedule your medical exam immediately upon receipt of your scheduling information.

Medical Examination

Every candidate must take a medical examination given at authorized examining centers throughout the United States and at certain overseas bases. Examinations by private physicians and optometrists cannot be considered authorized medical examinations. Only examinations given at DoDMERB authorized medical facilities are accepted examinations.

Each applicant's medical history is reviewed for information on illnesses, injuries, surgical procedures, congenital or familial diseases or other factors that could affect current or future medical status. Applicants may be asked to provide additional reports and/or records from a physician or hospital.

Medical conditions that are hidden or not reported for whatever reason can result in the candidate being denied entrance to West Point on Reception Day (R-Day).

Medical Requirements

The following are some common medical disqualifications. THIS LIST IS NOT ALL INCLUSIVE. The official document of medical disqualifications can be accessed at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/613004p.pdf>. Should you have any questions

regarding causes for disqualification, this information may be obtained by writing to the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board, 8034 Edgerton Drive, Suite 132, USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80840-2200, or by calling (719) 333-3562. Visit the website: <https://dodmerb.tricare.osd.mil> for additional information.

Eye and Vision

Vision: Distant visual acuity not correctable to 20/20 in one eye and 20/40 in the other eye is disqualifying.

Muscle Balance: Esotropia over 15 prism diopters, exotropia over 10 prism diopters, or hypertropia over 5 prism diopters is disqualifying.

Color Vision: Inability to distinguish vivid red and vivid green is disqualifying.

Refractive Surgery: Procedures to change the refraction (refractive surgery) including but not limited to: Lamellar and/or Penetrating Keratoplasty, Radial Keratotomy and Astigmatic Keratotomy is disqualifying. Refractive surgery performed with an Excimer Laser, including but not limited to, Photorefractive Keratectomy (PRK), Laser Epithelial Keratomileusis (LASEK), and Laser-Assisted in situ Keratomileusis (LASIK) is disqualifying if any of the following conditions are met: The pre-operative refractive error exceeded +8.00 or -8.00 diopters (spherical equivalent) in either eye; pre-operative astigmatism exceeded 3.00 diopters; at least a six-month recovery period has not occurred between last refractive surgery or augmenting procedure and DoDMERB medical exam; there have been complications and/or medications or ophthalmic solutions required; and post-surgical refraction in each eye is not stable.

Refractive Error: Myopia over -8.00 diopters in spherical equivalent, or hyperopia over +8.00 diopters equivalent is disqualifying. Astigmatism over 3 diopters is disqualifying.

Rigid Contact Lenses: Must be removed 21 days prior to the eye examination. This requirement also includes gas-permeable lenses. For those applicants undergoing Ortho-Keratotomy or Corneal Refractive Treatment, rigid lenses need to be removed for 90 days prior to the eye examination.

Soft Contact Lenses: Must be removed 3 days prior to the eye examination.

Candidates who wear eyeglasses or contact lenses must have their eyeglasses or contact lenses with them at the time of their medical examination.

Head, Scalp, Face, and Neck

Abnormalities that interfere with wearing military equipment or are disfiguring are disqualifying.

Nose and Sinuses

Malformations or deformities that interfere with speech or breathing, chronic rhinitis inadequately controlled, or an allergy desensitization program within one year of accession are disqualifying.

Ears and Hearing

Moderate hearing loss in the 500 to 4000 Hz frequencies, a history of middle ear surgery, abnormalities of the external ear, the use of hearing aids, or a perforated eardrum with 120 days of the DoDMERB physical exam will result in medical disqualification.

Lungs, Asthma, and Chest

A history of pneumothorax within the past year, if due to simple trauma or surgery, or a history within the past three years if spontaneous; asthma, including reactive airway disease; exercise-induced bronchospasm or asthmatic bronchitis, reliably diagnosed after the 13th birthday are disqualifying. A positive tuberculosis skin test is disqualifying, if not treated. Individuals taking prophylactic chemotherapy because of recent skin test conversion are not disqualified.

Skin

Disqualifications: A verified history of psoriasis; eczema or atopic dermatitis after the 9th birthday; pilonidal cyst with mass or discharging sinus. Treatment with Accutane is temporarily disqualifying until eight weeks post-therapy.

Heart and Vascular System

Disqualifications: History of hypertension, valvular, septal, congenital or other defects. Supraventricular tachycardia is disqualifying unless there is no recurrence during the preceding two years while off medication or post ablation.

Endocrine and Metabolism

Disqualifications: A history of thyroidectomy; current goiter; history of hyperthyroidism; thyroiditis, hyperparathyroidism, hypoparathyroidism, or diabetes mellitus. Hypothyroidism, if uncontrolled by medication, is disqualifying.

Spine and other Musculoskeletal

Disqualifications: Scoliosis, kyphosis, or lordosis likely to impair normal function; herniated disc or history of operation for this condition; history of chronic or recurrent low back pain; fusion of the spine; spondylolisthesis or symptomatic spondylolysis; symptomatic pes planus, or residual deformity from clubfoot or pes cavus. surgical repair of anterior or posterior cruciate ligament injuries of the knee must be evaluated at least six months after surgery for stability and symptoms. A history of all fractures, severe sprains, and any type of orthopedic or podiatric surgery (including arthroscopic surgery) must be documented in application medical examination.

Genitourinary System

Disqualifications: Horseshoe kidney or absence of one kidney; kidney stones; proteinuria, hematuria, or pyuria that is persistent or indicative of chronic renal disease; hydronephrosis; atrophy or absence of one or both testicles; undescended testicle. Hydrocele/varicocele will be evaluated. Congenital absence of the uterus. Irregularities of the menstrual cycle, including heavy menses, bleeding between menses, or lack of menses will be reviewed and evaluated. Severe dysmenorrhea, endometriosis, pregnancy are disqualifying.

Abdomen and Gastrointestinal System

Disqualifications: History of ulcer; gastro-esophageal reflux disease; regional enteritis (Crohn's), ulcerative colitis or other inflammatory bowel disease; gallbladder disease; chronic hepatitis, including hepatitis B or C carriers. Current hernia or history of surgery for hernia within preceding six months is temporarily disqualifying.

Nervous System

Disqualifications: Diagnosed seizure disorder since the age of 5; medications to control epilepsy within five years of the examination; history of unexplained unconsciousness; documented history of headaches within the past three years that interfere with daily functions or require medical treatment. History of head injury resulting in unconsciousness will be evaluated and may require a complete neurological evaluation to include electroencephalogram.

Psychiatric

History of academic skills or perceptual defects that interfere with work or school may be qualified if successful school and work performance can be demonstrated without utilization or recommendation of accommodations within the previous 12 months. Use of stimulant medication in the previous 12 months to improve or maintain academic skills (e.g. Ritalin, Adderall) is disqualifying. History of attempted suicide or other suicide behavior; psychoneurosis; personality disorders; other disorders of emotion, behavior, thought, mood; or substance misuse will be evaluated and may be cause for disqualification. Stuttering, eating disorders, and sleepwalking are disqualifying.

Dental

Active orthodontic appliances are disqualifying. Retainer appliances are permissible, provided all orthodontic treatment has been satisfactorily completed.

Perforation(s) of the hard palate; cleft lip, unless satisfactorily repaired by surgery, are disqualifying.

After the Exam

After the initial exam, your file will be reviewed at DoDMERB. They will find you either "Qualified," "Disqualified" or place you in "Remedial" status. You can check your medical status on the DoDMERB web site at <https://dodmerb.tricare.osd.mil>.

If you are remedial status DoDMERB will request additional tests, exams or information to answer any questions they have. You should comply with any requests immediately. After receiving your additional information, DoDMERB will continue to review your file.

If you are disqualified, the academy will consider you for a waiver if you are competitive for an offer of admissions to West Point. Do not send waiver requests to the academy. West Point will notify you of the waiver decision in writing as soon as the review process is complete.

In most cases, your entire file will be reviewed by DoDMERB before any disqualifications are formally applied and forwarded to West Point. DoDMERB no

longer ceases the review process at the first disqualification to consult with West Point. It behooves you to immediately comply with any remedial requests from DoDMERB, since your disqualification(s) will not be forwarded for consideration for a waiver by the academy until all remedials are received by DoDMERB. If you are having difficulty obtaining medical records, inform DoDMERB of the situation. Other methods of obtaining information may be utilized.

Waivers

Some medical standards can be waived for applicants who are otherwise highly qualified. Once a medical disqualification status is applied by DoDMERB, the senior medical officer at the USMA will have access to your same medical records originally sent to DoDMERB. The senior physician at West Point, after consultation with the Directorate of Admissions, may request additional information, such as a medical consult or study. This will come to you as a letter "At the request of the US Military Academy ... additional information is required," which will be sent to you from DoDMERB. When you are being considered for a waiver, you are dealing with West Point, using DoDMERB as the intermediary for information. Please return all requested information/documentation to DoDMERB in Colorado Springs, CO. DoDMERB will ensure all waiver-requested information is posted to the senior physician at West Point with every piece of information DoDMERB receives. DoDMERB does NOT apply any waivers, but will assist you with questions during the process of obtaining and completing the requested medical information. Questions regarding the status of your medical waiver should be directed to the Admissions Office at West Point. The academy will notify you of our waiver decision in writing as soon as the review process is complete.

Injury or Hospitalizations

If you are injured or hospitalized after your initial exam, or if you failed to report any medical conditions during your exam, you should contact DoDMERB immediately. Failure to disclose medical, dental, visual, or psychological conditions can be grounds for separation from West Point.

Appendix C

Candidate Fitness Assessment

Satisfactory completion of the Candidate Fitness Assessment (CFA) is one of the requirements for admission to the United States Military Academy. The CFA is a test of strength, agility, speed and endurance. It is used to predict a candidate's aptitude for the physical program at the service academies.

The results of this test are very important in the overall assessment of your admissions file, so you should become familiar with the six events in the CFA and practice. The examination consists of the following events: basketball throw (from kneeling position), cadence pull-ups or the flexed-arm hang (women's option), a shuttle run, modified sit-ups (crunches), push-ups, and a 1-mile run.

In order to qualify for admission, you must take the CFA. Your score is a combination of your best efforts on each of the six events. You should strive for excellence and the highest possible score.

The six test events of the CFA are administered consecutively with specified start, finish, and rest times. Candidates should attempt to do their best on all six events, keeping in mind that the events are sequenced to produce a cumulative loading effect. In other words, after completing the first five events, it is doubtful a candidate will score his/her personal best on the 1-mile run. This has been considered in the development of the scoring standards, which will be used to evaluate performance in each of the six events.

Appendix D

Privacy Act Statement

Required candidate information is requested pursuant to 10 U.S.C. Section 4346, Cadets: requirements for admission. Providing the requested information, including Social Security Number, is voluntary, but without this information, the U.S. Military Academy may not be able to send a reply.

This information will be used in providing you a Candidate Questionnaire, additional candidate information forms, and to open a database candidate file for you; your Social Security Number is needed as a means of accessing and tracking your database entry.

Generally, government records are releasable to persons within the Department of Defense who have a need to know. Information you provide may be disclosed to members of Congress to assist them in nominating candidates, and to Admissions field representatives who handle candidate interviews and provide application assistance.



Appendix E Restrictions on Personal Conduct in the Armed Forces

1. Military life is fundamentally different from civilian life. The military has its own laws, rules, customs, and traditions, including numerous restrictions on personal behavior. These are necessary because military units and personnel must maintain the high standards of morality, good order and discipline, and unit cohesion that are essential for combat effectiveness.

2. The Armed Forces must be ready at all times for worldwide deployment. Military law and regulations, including the Uniform Code of Military Justice, apply to service members at all times, both on base or off base, from the time the member enters the Service until the member is discharged or otherwise separated from the Armed Forces.

3. Members of the Armed Forces may be involuntarily separated before their term of service ends for various reasons established by law and military regulations, such as:

(a) A member may be separated for a pattern of disciplinary infractions, a pattern of misconduct, commission of a serious offense, or civilian conviction.

(b) A member who has been referred to a rehabilitation program for personal drug and alcohol abuse may be separated for failure through inability or refusal to participate in, cooperate in, or successfully complete such a program.

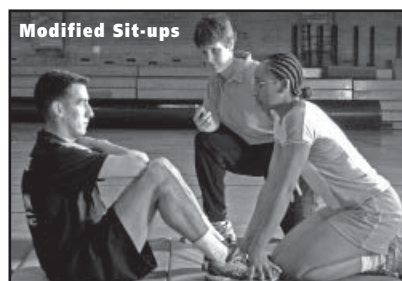
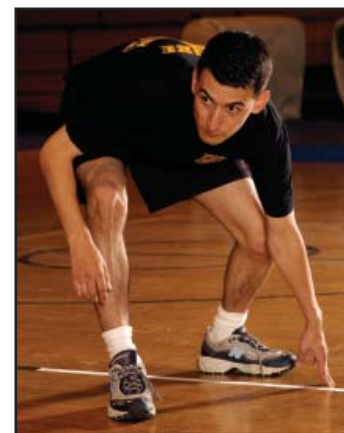
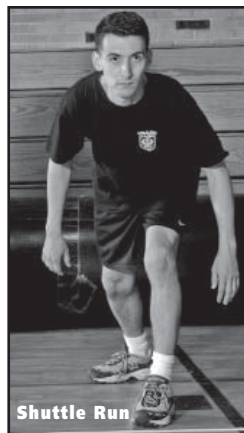
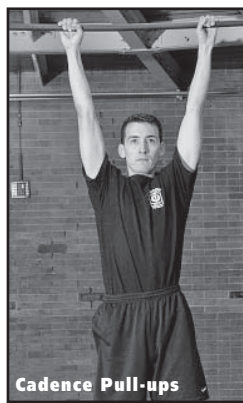
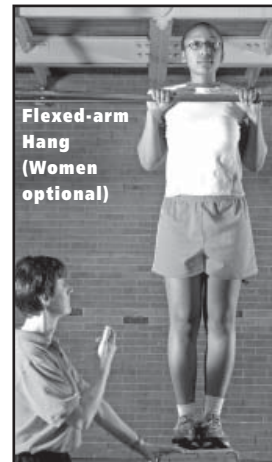
(c) A member may be discharged by reason of parenthood, if it is determined the member, because of parental responsibilities, is unable to perform his or her duties satisfactorily or is unavailable for worldwide assignment or deployment.

(d) A member may be separated for violation of laws or regulations regarding sexual conduct of members of the Armed Forces, for example, engaging in a homosexual act or soliciting another to engage in such an act; for stating that he or she is a homosexual or bisexual, or words to that effect; or for marrying or attempting to marry an individual of the same sex.

(e) A member may be separated for failure to meet Service weight control standards.

(f) A member may be separated for harassment or violence against any service member.

CANDIDATE FITNESS ASSESSMENT				
Events	Test Start Time	Testing Time	Rest	Total Time
Basketball Throw	0 Minutes	2 Minutes	3 Minutes	5 Minutes
Cadence Pull-ups	5 Minutes	2 Minutes	3 Minutes	10 Minutes
Shuttle Run	10 Minutes	2 Minutes	3 Minutes	15 Minutes
Modified Sit-ups	15 Minutes	2 Minutes	3 Minutes	20 Minutes
Push-ups	20 Minutes	2 Minutes	8 Minutes	30 Minutes
1-Mile Run	30 Minutes	Until Completed		Until Completed



	BB Throw (ft)	Pull-ups	Shuttle Run (sec.)	Modified Sit-ups	Push-ups	1-Mile Run
Male	102	18	7.8	95	75	5:20
Female	66	7	8.6	95	50	6:00

	BB Throw (ft)	Pull-ups	Shuttle Run (sec.)	Modified Sit-ups	Push-ups	1-Mile Run
Male	67	9	9.1	72	54	6:43
Female	41	3	10	68	33	8:06



Calendar

2008

21	August	First Term Begins
1	September	Labor Day (classes suspended)
11	November	Veterans Day
26-30	November	Thanksgiving Leave (begins after last duty/class)
6	December	Army/Navy Football Game (BEAT NAVY!)
15-20	December	Final Exams (TEEs)
20	December	Winter Break Begins (after last class/duty)

2009

4	January	Winter Break Ends
8	January	First Day of Classes
14-16	February	Presidents Weekend (no classes)
14-15	March	Plebe Parent Weekend
14-22	March	Spring Leave (begins after last duty/class)
9-15	May	Final Exams (TEEs)
23	May	Graduation '09

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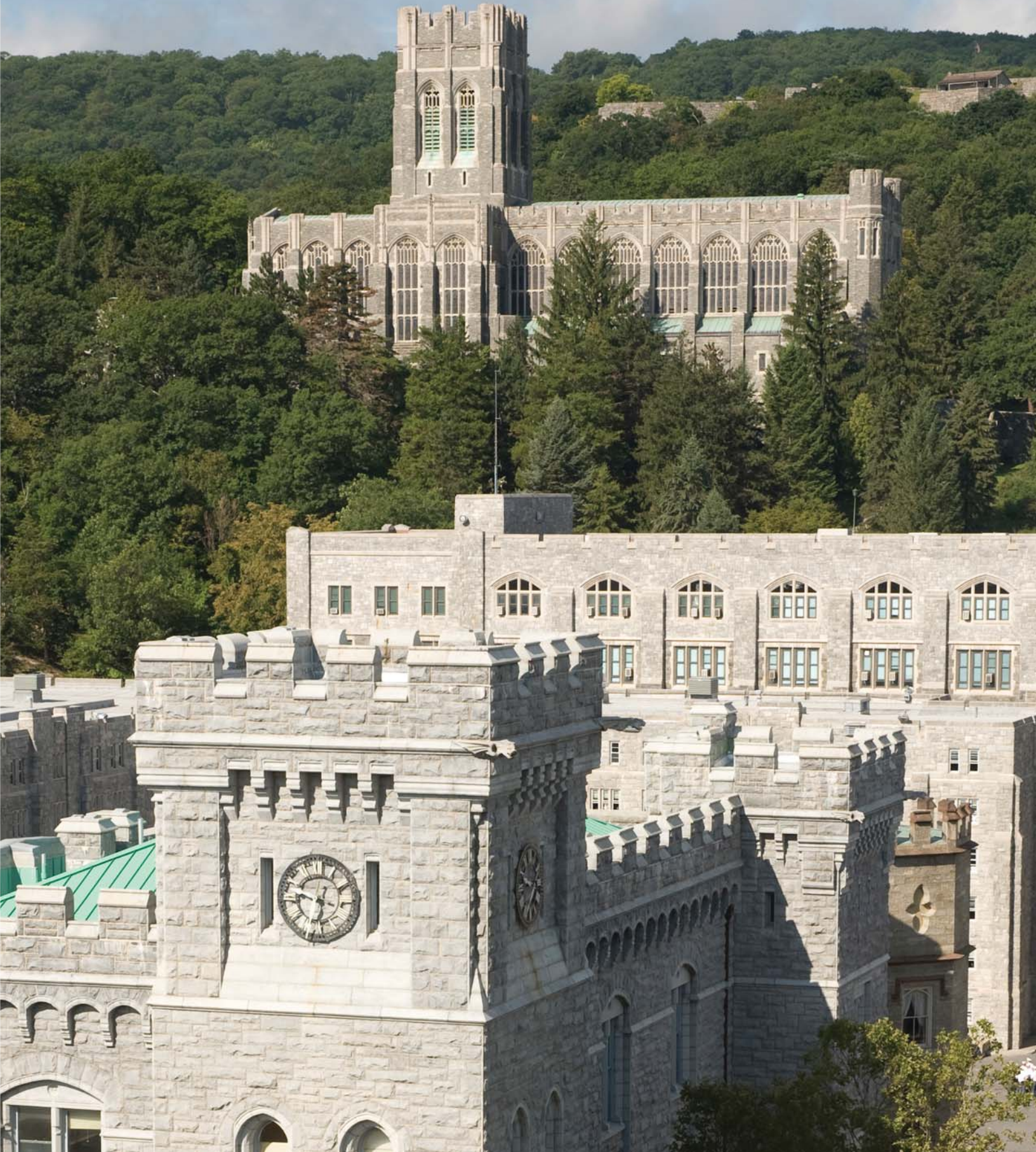
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