Military Science & Leadership (MSL)





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MSL 101: Introduction to the Army

This course focuses on introduction to the Army and critical thinking. It introduces Cadets to the Army and the Profession of Arms. Students will examine the Army Profession and what it means to be a professional in the U.S. Army. The overall focus is on developing basic knowledge and comprehension of the Army Leadership Requirements Model while gaining a complete understanding of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program, its purpose in the Army, and its advantages for the student. Cadets also learn how resiliency and fitness supports their development as an Army leader. Includes a weekly lab facilitated by MSL III Cadets and supervised by Cadre. Credit: 2 semester hours.

Co-requisite: MSL 250 Credit Hours: 2 Contact Hours: 2

MSL 102: Found. of Agile & Adap. Leader

MSL 102 introduces Cadets to the personal challenges and competencies that are critical for effective leadership. Cadets learn how the personal development of life skills such as critical thinking, time management, goal setting, and communication. Cadets learn the basics of the communications process and the importance for leader's to develop the essential skills to effectively communicate in the Army. Cadets will begin learning the basics of squad level tactics that will be reinforced during a weekly lab facilitated by MSL III Cadets and supervised by Cadre. Prereq: AMS or MSL 101, 102 and 201, or consent of the instructor. Must be taken concurrent with AMS or MSL 250.

Credit Hours: 2 Contact Hours: 2

MSL 107: Interm. Military Conditioning

Students learn the basic structure of Army Physical Fitness. This course is intended as an elective for undergraduate students and Cadets (ROTC). It will provide a general understanding of physical fitness and improve their overall total fitness level. Credit: 1 semester hour.

Credit Hours: 1 Contact Hours: 1

MSL 201: Leadership and Decision Making

This course focuses on leadership and decision making. The course adds depth to the Cadets understanding of the Adaptability Army Learning Area. The outcomes are demonstrated through Critical and Creative Thinking and the ability to apply Troop Leading Procedures (TLP) to apply Innovative Solutions to Problems. The Army Profession is also stressed through leadership forums and a leadership self-assessment. Students are then required to apply their knowledge outside the classroom in a hands-on performance-oriented environment during a weekly lab facilitated by MSL III Cadets and supervised by Cadre. Credit: 2 semester hours.

Prerequisite: MSL 101 and 102, or consent of the instructor

Co-requisite: MSL 250 Credit Hours: 2 Contact Hours: 2

MSL 202: Army Doc. & Team Deve.

This course focuses principally on officership, providing an extensive examination of the unique purpose, roles, and obligations of commissioned officers. It includes a detailed investigation of the origin or our institutional values and their practical application in decision making and leadership. Prereq: AMS or MSL 101, 102 and 201, or consent of the instructor. Must be taken concurrent with AMS or MSL 250.

Credit Hours: 2 Contact Hours: 2

MSL 250: Basic Military Science Lab

A hands-on practicum which exposes the student to the military skills required for basic technical and tactical competence to enter the Advanced Course. Laboratory, two hours per week and two week-end exercises. May be repeated to a maximum of four credits. Credit: 1

semester hour. Credit Hours: 1 Contact Hours: 1

MSL 301: Train. Mang. & the Warfigh. Fu

This course focuses on training management and the warfighting functions. It is an academically challenging course where you will study, practice, and apply the fundamentals of Training Management and how the Army operates through the Warfighting functions. At the conclusion of this course, you will be capable of planning, preparing, and executing training for a squad conducting small unit tactics. Includes a lab per week using peer facilitation overseen by MSL IVs, supervised by ROTC Cadre. Credit: 3 semester hours.

Prerequisite: MSL 101, 102, 201 and 202, or consent of the instructor

Co-requisite: MSL 350 Credit Hours: 3 Contact Hours: 3

MSL 302: App. Leader. & Small Unit Oper

Small unit tactics and communications, organization and mission of combat arms units; leadership and the exercise of command. Prereq: AMS or MSL 101, 102, graduate or undergraduate student (male or female), successful completion of basic course or basic camp, physically fit to pursue program; consent of PMS. Must be taken concurrent with AMS or MSL 350.

Credit Hours: 3
Contact Hours: 3

MSL 320: American Military History

This course will furnish upper level KSU ROTC Cadets, and qualified History majors or minors with the methodological tools and materials needed to gain a more detailed understanding of American Military History and to put together a major research paper. MSL/HIS 320 will emphasize basic research skills: understanding historiographical debates within a military framework, developing effective note taking, outlining techniques, picking a feasible research topic, finding useful primary sources and drawing inferences from them, examining American military campaigns and leaders in order to complete a battle analysis, and short research assignments. Credit: 3 semester hours.

Prerequisite: Consent of the instructor

Co-requisite: N/A Credit Hours: 3 Contact Hours: 3

MSL 350: Advanced Military Science lab

A hands-on practicum which exposes the student to the military skills required for advanced technical and tactical competence as an Army officer. The course affords junior and senior cadets opportunities to develop and refine their leadership style and abilities under differing constraints and environments. Laboratory, two hours per week and two weekend exercises. May be repeated to a maximum of four credits. Prereq: AMS or MSL 250, AMS or MSL 101, AMS or MSL 201 and AMS or MSL 202. Concurrent: AMS or MSL 301, 302, 401 or 402. Repeatable up to 4 credit hours.

Credit Hours: 1 Contact Hours: 1

MSL 401: The Army Officer

The Army Officer, explores the dynamics of leading in the complex situations of current military operations. This is an academically challenging course where you will study, practice, develop, and apply critical thinking skills pertaining to Army leadership, officer skills, Army Values and ethics, personal development, and small unit tactics at platoon level. This course includes reading assignments, homework assignments, small group assignments, briefings, case studies, practical exercises, a mid-term exam, and final exam. You will also be assessed on the execution of missions during cadet duty assignments and classroom Practical Exercises. You will receive systematic and specific feedback on your leader attributes, values, and core leader competencies from your cadre and other Cadets. You will receive feedback on your abilities as a leader and how to improve those leader skills. At the conclusion of this course, you will be able to plan, coordinate, navigate, motivate and lead a platoon in future operational environments. Successful completion of this course will assist in preparing you for your transition to a career as an Army Officer and is a mandatory requirement for commissioning. Prereq: Students must have completed ROTC Basic Course requirements, AMS or MSL 301 and AMS or MSL 302. Must be taken concurrently with AMS or MSL 350.

Credit Hours: 3 Contact Hours: 3

MSL 402: Company Grade Leadership

Company Grade Leadership explores the dynamics of leading in the complex situations of current military operations. This is an academically challenging course where you will study, practice, develop, and apply critical thinking skills pertaining to Army leadership, officer skills, Army Values and ethics, personal development, and small unit tactics at platoon level. This course includes reading assignments, homework assignments, small group assignments, briefings, case studies, practical exercises, a mid-term exam, and final exam. You will also be assessed on the execution of missions during cadet duty assignments and classroom Practical Exercises. You will receive systematic and specific feedback on your leader attributes, values, and core leader competencies from your cadre and other Cadets. You will receive feedback on your abilities as a leader and how to improve those leader skills. At the conclusion of this course, you will be able to plan, coordinate, navigate, motivate and lead a platoon in future operational environments. Successful completion of this course will assist in preparing you for your transition to a career as an Army Officer and is a mandatory requirement for commissioning. Prereq: Students must have completed the ROTC Basic Course requirements, taken AMS or MSL 301, AMS or MSL 302 and AMS or MSL 401. Must be taken concurrently with AMS or MSL 350.

Credit Hours: 3
Contact Hours: 3