Atlanta Region
Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps

The Atlanta Region Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Unit is comprised of two jointly commanded Battalions, one sponsored by The Georgia Institute of Technology and The Other Sponsored by Morehouse College. Though Morehouse College is the host institution for this Battalion, we have Midshipmen who are cross enrolled at Spelman College, Clark Atlanta University and Morris Brown College. The Commanding Officer, Executive Officer, Marine Officer Instructor and Assistant Marine Officer Instructor preside over the operations and administrations of both Midshipmen Battalions though the two Battalions have separate Midshipmen Staffs. The Atlanta University Center Located in The Historic West End Atlanta offers Midshipmen with a unique opportunity to pick from a multitude of disciplines of academic study as well as provides an extremely diverse population of individuals to form networks with. Just three miles from Downtown Atlanta, The AUC (Atlanta University Center) provides a close proximity to historic, cultural and young-adult age activities. Students of the AUC are immersed in an atmosphere of students of many walks of life.
NROTC SCHOLARSHIPS

THE NROTC SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDES:

- FULL TUITION AND FEES
- STIPEND FOR TEXTBOOKS (CURRENTLY $375.00 PER SEMESTER)
- SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE OF $250.00 PER MONTH.
  - WITH AN ANNUAL $50.00 INCREASE
- OTHER RELATED EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants for the NROTC Scholarship Program Must:
  - Be a United States Citizen;
  - Be 17 years of age by September 1 of the year starting college and less than 21 June 30 of that same year. Applicants must not have reached their 25th birthday by June of the year in which college graduation and commissioning are anticipated. Applicants who have prior active duty military service may be eligible for age waivers for the amount of time equal to their prior service for a maximum of 48 months;
  - Be a high school graduate or possess an equivalency certificate by August 1 of the year of entrance into the NROTC Four-Year Scholarship Program;
  - Be physically qualified by Navy and Marine Corps standards;
  - Have no moral obligations or personal convictions that will prevent conscientious bearing of arms and supporting and defending the Constitution of The United States;
  - Apply for and gain admission into a College or University affiliated with the NROTC Program.
  - Achieve qualifying scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or the American College Test.

Note:

Students who have more than one year of college credit or students already enrolled in the NROTC College Program are not eligible to compete for the NROTC four-year scholarships. However, they should meet with the Professor of Naval Science to discuss available scholarship options.
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

To receive commissions, Midshipmen are required to complete all requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree set forth by the College/University. Additional Navy requirements are also imposed and, though they may not interfere with one's academic requirements for graduation, successful completion is required to receive commissions. To maintain good standing within the NORTC Battalion, one must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 Scale. Failure to do so will force consequences from academic probation, compulsory Leave of Absence (No Pay) or Administrative Separation.

In addition to whatever courses are required by the College/University for your academic major, the following courses are required to be completed within the time frame specified:

*Calculus I&II - (One Semester each) to be completed by No Later Than the end of your Sophomore Year
*Physics I&II - (One Semester each) to be completed by No Later Than the end of your Junior Year
Cultural Awareness - (One Semester) to be completed by graduation

* Calculus and Physics are not required for Midshipmen pursuing a Commission in the United States Marine Corps, however, All Navy Option Midshipmen must complete the required courses indicated above to receive their commission.

Students not entitled to a fifth year of scholarship benefits will be granted a Leave of Absence without benefits in order to qualify for their degrees. This leave of absence normally will be scheduled for the third year, but may be taken during the second or fourth year of the five-year curriculum.

In all, some 40 extra credit hours are required for most Midshipmen to receive a commission. This number includes all Naval Science Courses, Calculus, Physics and Computer Science. The only exceptions will be Marine Options (Calculus and Physics) and those Midshipmen pursuing technical degrees such as math, physics and engineering as they will be required to take the Calculus, Physics and Computer Science courses as components of their degree requirements. Students should be aware of this fact and prepare accordingly. Typically, the usual college load of 15 hrs. per semester proves to be insufficient for NROTC Midshipmen to complete all requirements in the standard 4-year program. The typical course load is 18 hrs. a semester or apx 6 classes, though some students are required to take a course over-load (greater than 20 hrs.) some semesters to remain on track.
NAVAL SCIENCE COURSES

Though the aim of the NROTC program is the total development of the Student such that one day a commission may be bestowed upon him/her, the professional development begins in the classroom with academics. Academic excellence is tantamount to success in the Fleet and indeed the world we live in today. The Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps provides and requires several courses that assist in this development and are required to be completed by all students in the time specified in addition to the standard course load of a College Student pursuing the Baccalaureate degree. The following classes are to be completed in the semester indicated and are given by the Instructor/Advisors within the NROTC Unit. These are Active Duty Officers fresh out of the fleet and can offer expert hands on advise on how to apply these courses and indeed all information to better prepare Midshipmen for the Fleet.

Freshman Year (4th Classmen)

- Introduction To Naval Science (Background and Requirements of a Midshipman and Officer)
- Sea Power and Maritime Affairs (Naval History)

Sophomore Year (3rd Classmen)

- Leadership and Management (Leadership Course that focuses on various leadership traits, styles and their benefits and drawbacks)

- Navigation (Course intended to introduce Midshipmen to Shipboard Navigation at Sea, introduce Midshipmen to Shipboard terminology as it pertains to Navigation and Ships Movement)

Junior Year (2nd Classmen)

- Naval Weapons Systems (Course intended to introduce Midshipmen to the various weapons systems and platforms the Navy/Marine Corps team has in its arsenal.)

- Naval Engineering (Course intended to introduce Midshipmen to the mechanics and physics involved in the use, employment and operation of Naval Ships and Aircraft. Typically revolves around various forms of propulsion with some basic aquadynamics and aerodynamics.)

Senior Year (1st Classmen)

- Naval Operations and Seamanship

- Leadership and Ethics (Course intended to introduce Midshipmen to various ethical and moral standpoints behind the decisions and actions of members of the Armed Forces. Incorporates various ancient and modern philosophers’ philosophies on justice, right and wrong, war etc… The last part of this course is the Senior Seminar, which is intended to be the final advise giving session to soon to be commissioned officers.)
PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

DODMERB Physical:

DODMERB (Department of Defense Medical Review Board)

Candidates must pass a stringent physical examination to qualify for Officer Commissioning Programs including the NROTC Program.

DODMERB schedules and reviews all physical examinations for service academies and NROTC candidates. Candidates applying to more than one military academy or NROTC Scholarship program will require only one physical examination.

Candidates should correct any known physical defects prior to reporting for their DODMERB physical. However, since the number of scholarships is limited, candidates should use their own best judgment before undergoing expensive operations or surgery.

The physical and scholarship qualification processes are independently determined. Applicants must receive a favorable endorsement in both areas before any NROTC Scholarship can be awarded.

Many medical diagnoses are disqualifying and a complete list has not been placed in this information package. Some of the more common conditions considered disqualifying are: Asthma, acute or chronic cardio-pulmonary conditions, psoriasis, atopic dermatitis or eczema, major joint surgery, arthritis, seizure disorder, severe motion sickness susceptibility, alcohol and drug abuse and pregnancy.

If DODMERB determines a disqualifying medical condition exists, a written request is required for further waiver consideration. Applicants will be notified by DODMERB of any additional requirements for medical history, consultation, or diagnosis tests.
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Height and Weight Requirements:

Height

Men
Navy: 62-78 Inches
Marines: 66-78 Inches

Women
Navy: 60-78 Inches
Marines: 58-78 Inches

Weight

Weight standards are determined in proportion to height.
NO WAIVERS will be granted for those overweight individuals.

For individuals that are not within Height and Weight standards, remedial PT (Physical Training) will be required until in standards and until such time, scholarship benefits may be withheld for those currently awarded a scholarship and denied for those seeking scholarships.

Vision

The Navy except for those entering the Nurse Corps requires normal color vision. There are not standard requirements for color vision in the Marine Corps.

Distant visual acuity of 20/20 in each eye uncorrected is required. A limited number of waivers are recommended or applicants whose visual acuity is correctable to 20/20 with corrective lenses.

The maximum in and meridian must not exceed 6.0 diopters (7.0 for Nurse Corps applicants) in either eye. Refractions submitted for waiver consideration must be cycloplegic refraction for spectacles, not contact lenses. Anisometropia cannot exceed 3.5 diopters.

Keratoconus or history of treatment for this condition, surgical, laser and mechanical procedures to correct visual acuity are absolute causes for disqualification. No waivers will be recommended.
YOU! - A MIDSHIPMAN

It was said that, being a Midshipman means you do more work by 10am (1000hrs.) than most people do in a normal day. You WILL have mandatory wakeups early, 0530 kind of early. Three times a week, and more depending on if you are a Marine Option, or a Midshipman on Remedial. You will have busy evenings and sometimes busy weekends. This unit demands a great deal from each and every one of its Midshipmen. This of course makes your existence as a Midshipman very difficult. However, achieving the goals set forth makes you a better person, and places you a cut above the rest of your peers. Only those ready to step up to the plate and show the colors will succeed! Are you ready?

DRILL
Otherwise known as the Naval Science Lab is a mandatory evolution that takes place twice per week. Drill provides opportunities for the development of leadership qualities, self-confidence, command experience, decision-making ability, and military bearing. In addition to acting as the Midshipman Seminar, it provides an avenue to improve one’s Drilling (Military Drill-Marching) abilities, unit cohesion abilities as well as serves to provide a venue for awards ceremonies and inspections.

PHYSICAL TRAINING
The purpose of Physical Training (PT) is to train the Midshipman both physically and mentally. Our mission in the Naval Service of defending this Nation is one that carries a requirement of Physical Fitness and Readiness at all times. Several Methods are utilized to maintain and test each individual’s Physical strengths and weaknesses.

Battalion PT—Hour Long Intensive Physical Training evolution held every Monday. Though held once a week, Navy command fitness coordinators and this Unit alike require individual effort to maintain adequate levels of fitness and readiness. It is expected that Midshipmen will train at least two extra times a week on their own however all midshipmen are welcome to attend Remedial and Marine PT.

Remedial PT—Hour Long Intensive Physical Training evolution held every Wednesday and Friday. This is intended to give those Midshipmen exhibiting a need for extra instruction the time and instruction needed to better perform in life, and on the Physical Readiness Test.

Marine PT—1-1½ Hour Long Intensive Physical Training held every Wednesday and Friday. This is intended to prepare those Midshipmen seeking appointments as officers in the United States Marine Corps for their intense physical requirements and for the United States Marine Corps Officers Candidate School Physical Regimen.

Swim PT—Intended to provide those Midshipmen lacking and insufficient in their swimming abilities to enhance those abilities to meet and indeed exceed the minimum Navy/Marine Corps requirements for swimming.

PRT (Navy) Physical Readiness Test, which consists of
Timed 1.5 Mile Run or 500 Yard Swim
Pushups
Curl Ups
Sit and Reach Flexibility Test

PFT (Marines) Physical Fitness Test which consists of
Timed 3 Mile Run
Pull-ups
Curl Ups
Sit and Reach Flexibility Test
SWIM

As members of the Naval Service, we are required to deploy, operate and live on the sea. This of course makes it necessary to maintain above average swimming abilities. It is of EXTREME importance that you come ready to pass and qualify as a 3rd class swimmer. For those who are not proficient, or unable this unit provides avenues to assist you in achieving that mark, however the requirements only increase as you matriculate. Failure to achieve 3rd Class qualifications by the end of your 4th class year will force the Unit to begin administrative procedures for separation though in certain circumstances, forbearances are granted and Midshipmen may be given a summer to work on his/her swimming ability.

3rd Class Qual – Must be completed by the end of the 4th Class Year (Freshman Year)

Jump from a 15’ Dive Board into deep end of a Standard Length Pool
Swim 50 yds. Proving proficiency in any of the approved safety strokes
Crawl or American Freestyle
Elementary Back
Breast Stroke
Side Stroke
Jump into the deep end of the pool with shirt/trousers on and remove article and inflate while in water too deep to stand in and remain afloat for five minutes.

2nd Class Qual – Must Be Completed by the end of the 3d Class Year or 1st Semester 2nd Class Year

Jump from a 15’ Dive Board into deep end of a Standard Length Pool
Swim 100 yds. (4 laps of 25 yds. Each) proving proficiency in ALL he approved safety strokes
Crawl or American Freestyle
Elementary Back
Breast Stroke
Side Stroke
Tread Water Unassisted For Five Minutes
Deadmans Float

1st Class Qual – Desired Completion by Commissioning

Includes 2nd Class Qualification Standards along with Life Guard certification, underwater swim and
CPR Certification.

Note: Swimming and PT are the largest causes for individuals to be either removed from scholarship and subsequently the unit or denied a scholarship. It would behoove anyone interested in the Naval Services to begin a rigorous Swim and PT regimen NOW to adequately prepare for the requirements of this program and The Naval Services.
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SUMMER TRAINING CRUISE

All scholarship Midshipmen shall and must attend one summer training cruise every summer for a total of 3 summer training cruises. Each cruise lasts apx. 3-4 weeks and dates are somewhat flexible. Summer training cruises are intended to foster and environment for professional hands-on military training in a 24/7 military environment.

3/c Cruise (Summer After Freshman Year)
CORTRAMID – Career Orientation For Midshipmen
• 4 weeks in either San Diego, California or Norfolk, Virginia
• each week is devoted to a different aspect of Naval Life. (Surface Warfare, Submarine Warfare, Aviation, Marine Corps)
• Midshipmen residing east of the Mississippi River will attend CORTRAMID EAST in Norfolk, and this evolution takes place in the first part of the summer May 25th (the Friday closest to) until June 25th (the Friday closest to)
• Midshipmen residing west of the Mississippi River will attend CORTRAMID WEST in San Diego. This evolution takes place in the second part of the summer. Typically the Friday after the 4th of July until the Friday after the 4th of August.

2/c Cruise (Summer After Sophomore Year)
ENLISTED SURFACE CRUISE (NAVY) CAX OR MOUNTAIN WARFARE (MARNIE)
NAVY
• 3 to 6 weeks on any deployed or at-sea Man of War as a member of Ships Company
• Integrated into ships functions under-instruction
• Exposure to Enlisted Life at Sea
MARINE
• 3 to 6 weeks at Marine Mountain Warfare School or participating in Combined Arms Exercises in the Desert of the American Mid-West
• Possibility to participate in a 3 to 6 week at-sea cruise attached to a Marine Component on an Amphibious Assault Vessel

1/c Cruise (Summer After Junior Year)
NAVY
• 3 to 6 weeks attached to the wardroom or ready room of any squadron or ship at sea
• Exposure to Naval Officer Life and Responsibilities
• Training in Officer/Enlisted relations, Officer Etiquette and Expectations
MARINE
• Marine Corps Officers Candidate School (Bulldog – or Six Weeks Intensive Training Course)
• Intensive six weeks Physical Training Course
• Required to be attended by all Marine Option Midshipmen prior to Commissioning

It is recommended that Midshipmen not intend to participate in summer study abroad, sports, internships summer school or other such programs as they have proven to be hindrances to on-time graduation and commissioning due to the Summer Cruise Requirements. However, Midshipmen have successfully completed Summer Training Cruises while participating in these events. It is necessary for Midshipmen to understand that Summer Cruise IS YOUR Summer Study Abroad, Internship and Extra Curricular Program. It would behoove you to take full advantage of these opportunities, as this is the only REAL Fleet experience you will receive before you are to walk across the brow or report into your Senior/Commanding Officer and begin duty!
SERVICE SELECTION AND MILITARY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Senior Midshipmen request their choice of Duty based upon their interests and aptitudes. The Naval Operation Communities (Surface, Sub-Surface, Aviation or Special Warfare) are the only choices open to NROTC Midshipmen. (JAG Corps, Staff, Medical, Dental, Supply, Intel and all the rest are generally not open as Midshipmen are Commissioned Un-Restricted Officers Of The Line or URL (Un-Restricted Line) these Officers are training to take command of a Ship, Squadron or Base. The other communities such as JAG and Supply are Restricted Line positions and are generally not open to NROTC commissionees. However, waivers and special request from time to time are granted. Additionally, once you have fulfilled your service obligations as noted below, you may request to augment and perform a Lateral Transfer into a Restricted Line Community, however neither are assured possibilities; performance is the key to success in your endeavors as a Naval Officer.

Each newly commissioned Officer is assigned a Lineal number or class standing based on Performance in the following areas: Aptitude – 20%, Naval Science – 20% Academic Performance 60%. This Lineal number determines each new Officers seniority relative to his/her peers and is a significant factor in the selection process.

Upon Commissioning, you will be appointed by the President an Officer of United States Navy or Marines as an Ensign or 2nd Lieutenant respectively. The minimum mandatory service obligation is 4 years active duty. However, Officers appointed to Naval Flight Training serve a total of 8 years active duty, only after winging which brings the total number of years to 10. Officers appointed to Naval Nuclear Power serve a total of 6 years Active after receiving their qualifications. Marine Corps Officers Serve 4 years active duty however, as all officers, serve at the pleasure of the President, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of The Navy and Commandant of Marines and may be required to serve longer obligations based on the needs of the Navy/Marine Corps Team.