The Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) is a cadet-lead educational training program that is designed to provide college students in the greater Houston area with an opportunity to join the nation's oldest armed service, the United States Army, as a leader, a mentor, and an officer. Through Army ROTC, students will have an understanding of the core values and the professional discipline of a military career.

Upon successful completion of ROTC and baccalaureate degree requirements, students will be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Active Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard. For more information on Army ROTC, please contact the Department of Military Science at the University of Houston by calling 713-743-3883.

**Course Credit**

Hosted by University of Houston, Army ROTC classes may be taken for elective credit toward any degree plan at Rice University. Freshman and sophomore level classes are open to all students. No military obligation is incurred as a result of enrollment in these courses. Junior and senior level courses are more restrictive and do require a military obligation. ROTC scholarship students also incur a military obligation.

Army ROTC courses are listed under Military Science, prefix MILI, in the Rice University General Announcements.

**Freshman and Sophomore Years: Basic Leadership Course**—The Basic Course takes place during your first two years in college as elective courses. It normally involves one elective class or lab each semester. You will learn basic military skills and the fundamentals of leadership and start the groundwork toward becoming an Army leader. You can take Army ROTC Basic Courses without a military commitment.

**Junior and Senior Years: Advanced Leadership Course**—The Advanced Course takes place during your last two years in college as elective courses. It normally includes one elective class or lab each semester, plus a summer leadership camp. You will learn advanced military tactics and gain experience in team organization, planning, and decision-making. To benefit from the leadership training in the Advanced Course, all cadets must have completed either the Basic Course or have attended the Leaders’ Training Course. Entering the Advanced Course requires a commitment to serve as an officer in the U.S. Army upon graduation.

**Leadership Laboratory**

As an Army ROTC cadet, each student will be required to attend an additional two-hour Leadership Laboratory. The Leadership Lab is an essential part of officer training. Labs are designed to provide hands-on experience in the application
of the cadets’ classroom instruction. A typical lab may include rappelling, water survival training, land navigation, and drill and ceremony.

**FIELD TRAINING EXERCISES**

Once a semester, all Army ROTC students will have the opportunity to leave campus and participate in a Field Training Exercise. These exercises are weekend training operations that put the students’ teambuilding and leadership skills to the test. Field Training Exercises will most likely include orienteering, obstacle courses, rappelling, squad tactical exercises, and basic rifle marksmanship.

**AROTC Scholarship Opportunities**

Students are awarded U.S. Army ROTC four-, three- and two-year scholarships through a competitive selection process. Scholarships pay full college tuition and mandatory educational fees, OR room and board, whichever is chosen by the student. If room and board is chosen, the scholarship will pay up to the amount of $10,000. An additional scholarship benefit is a designated yearly book allowance of $1,200. Army scholarship winners also receive a tax-free subsistence allowance, or stipend, which increases as they progress through Military Science, for up to 10 months for each year the scholarship is in effect.

For additional information on Army ROTC, visit our Houston area Web site at [www.uh.edu/rotc](http://www.uh.edu/rotc), or contact CPT Richard Selvera at 713-743-3826.