

Military Science/ROTC

Whitworth students may elect to participate in Army ROTC through a cross-enrollment program with Gonzaga University. Coursework requires travel to the Gonzaga campus, which is located six miles south of Whitworth.

The ROTC program is a cooperative effort between the U.S. Army and participating colleges. It provides training and qualification for leadership positions in the Regular Army, the U.S. Army Reserve, or the Army National Guard. A student may earn a commission as an Army second lieutenant while achieving a college degree in the academic discipline(s) of his or her choosing. Cadets incur no obligation during their first two years of ROTC and are not members of the U.S. Army (unless they are ROTC scholarship winners). First- and second-year courses are open to all Whitworth students.

The objectives of the program are to prepare academically and physically qualified college men and women for the challenge of serving as commissioned officers in the Army. To that end, the program stresses service to country and community through an enhancement of leadership competencies.

The program has been designed to meet the country's requirement for officer-leaders in the Army (active duty, National Guard, and reserves). It is, therefore, multifaceted, with distinctive sub-elements to meet individual needs and requirements. For example, ROTC is traditionally a four-year program, but individuals with prior service, members of reserve or National Guard units, participants of JROTC in high school, and summer basic camp attendees may receive advanced-placement credit and complete the program in two years. Normally, all students enroll in one military science course and leadership laboratory per semester. Each cadet's physical fitness is closely monitored. The program consists of two phases: the basic course (lower division), normally taken during the freshman and sophomore years or completed through advanced-placement credit, and the advanced course (upper division).

Basic Course: The basic course refers to first- and second-year courses, MI 101, 102, 201, and 202, designed for beginning students who want to qualify for entry into the advanced course and for those students who may want to try military science without obligations. In addition to their academic requirements, basic-course cadets may participate in a variety of extracurricular activities. Placement credit for the basic course may be granted to students who have completed initial entry training for the armed forces, three years of Junior ROTC in high school or ROTC Basic Camp. MI 101 and 102 concentrate on outdoor skills and providing an overview of how the military fits into society. MI 201 and 202 more thoroughly address the heritage, traditions and organization of the United States military.

Advanced Course: The advanced course consists of MI 301, 302, 401, and 402. It is only open to students who have completed the basic course or earned placement credit (various methods). Students must also enroll in leadership labs (301L-402L). Students also attend a five-week ROTC advanced camp during the summer between their junior and senior years. In addition to their academic requirements, the advanced-course cadets provide student leadership for the Gonzaga Cadet Battalion.

Completion of the basic and advanced courses qualifies the cadet to apply for commission in the United States Army. The student may be able to influence whether his or her service will be on active duty or in the reserves through grades, camp performance and campus participation.

Financial Assistance

Each advanced-course student receives a subsistence allowance of \$150 a month for up to 10 months a year for two years. There are also cooperative programs with the Army National Guard and Army Reserve that will pay advanced-course cadets approximately \$1,500 per year for simultaneous service.

Scholarships

Freshman- and sophomore-level students may compete on a local and national basis for Army ROTC scholarships. These scholarships are applied to tuition and fees plus an allowance for books. Additionally, scholarship cadets receive subsistence allowances of \$150 per month for up to 10 months of each school year. A student need not be enrolled in ROTC to be eligible to compete for two- or three-year scholarships. No commitment is made until a scholarship is accepted.

High school seniors interested in applying for a four-year scholarship must submit applications by Nov. 15 of their senior year. An early-decision cycle is offered for high school seniors. The applications must be postmarked by July 15.

Fees, Uniforms, and ROTC Texts

A lab fee is the only fee associated with participation in the ROTC program. ROTC textbooks, uniforms and other equipment are furnished without charge. Students are responsible for and must return all government property issued to them.

Extracurricular Activities

The Regulators: Gonzaga ROTC's student-body-chartered club. This club is directly related to the Ranger Challenge Team. Its sole purpose is to continue the Rangers' training and provide additional team-building opportunities in a somewhat less formal atmosphere.

Color Guard: The Gonzaga University Color Guard participates in a variety of school and civic functions where precision drill or presentation of the U.S. flag is appropriate.

Intramural Sports: The ROTC program sponsors teams that participate in flag football, volleyball, basketball, softball and other sports in the Gonzaga University intramural leagues. Uniforms and equipment are provided by the Military Science Department.

Special Qualification Training: Advanced-course and select basic-course cadets may participate in confidence-building courses such as Air Assault School, Airborne School, Northern Warfare Training Center, and Cadet Troop Leadership Training.

Military Science Courses

MI 101 Introduction to ROTC

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Develop self-confidence through team study and activities in basic drill, physical fitness, rappelling, leadership reaction courses, team-building exercises, first aid, giving presentations and basic rifle marksmanship. Learn fundamental concepts of leadership in a profession in both classroom and outdoor laboratory environments. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and a required leadership lab, MI 101L, plus required participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness. Participation in one week-end mandatory exercise with several optional weekend exercises is offered.

MI 101L, 102L, 201L, 202L Leadership Laboratory

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Open only to (and required of) students in the associated Military Science course. Learn and practice basic skills. Gain insight into the advanced course in order to make an informed decision whether to apply. Build self-confidence and team-building leadership skills that can be applied throughout life. Prerequisite: permission.

- MI 102 Introduction to Leadership** **1-3**
 Learn and apply principles of effective leading. Reinforce self-confidence through participation in physically and mentally challenging exercises with upper-division ROTC students. Develop communication skills to improve individual performance and group interaction. Relate organizational ethical values to the effectiveness of a leader. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and a leadership lab, MI 102L, plus required participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness. Participation in one mandatory weekend exercise with several other weekend exercises offered.
- MI 103, 104, 203, 204 Military Physical-Fitness Program** **1**
 Intensive military physical fitness program designed to raise the level of individual physical fitness to its highest potential with emphasis on the development of an individual fitness program and the role of exercise and fitness in one's life. Participate in and learn to lead a physical-fitness program.
- MI 190, 191 Directed Readings** **1-3**
 Incorporates readings in a variety of subject areas such as military history, leadership development, basic military skills, and related topics. Prerequisite: permission.
- MI 201 Self/Team Development** **3**
 Learn and apply ethics-based leadership skills that develop individual abilities and contribute to the building of effective teams of people. Develop skills in oral presentations, writing concisely, planning of events, coordination of group efforts, advanced first aid, land navigation and basic military tactics. Learn fundamentals of ROTC's Leadership Assessment Program. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and a leadership lab, MI 201L, plus participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness. Participation in two mandatory weekend exercises with several optional weekend exercises offered.
- MI 202 Individual/Team Military Tactics** **3**
 Introduction to individual and team aspects of military tactics in small-unit operations. Includes use of radio communications, making safety assessments, movement techniques, planning for team safety/security, and methods of pre-execution checks. Practical exercises with upper-division ROTC students. Learn techniques for training others as an aspect of continued leadership development. Weekly requirements: three hours of class and a leadership lab, MI 202L, plus participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness. Participation in two mandatory weekend exercises with several optional weekend exercises offered. Prerequisite: permission.
- MI 290, 291 Directed Readings** **1-3**
 Incorporates readings in a variety of subject areas such as leadership assessment, comparative military systems, basic military skills, and related topics. Prerequisite: permission.
- MI 300 Ranger Challenge** **1**
 ROTC's "varsity sport," designed to familiarize students with the tactical and technical aspects of the professional soldier through hands-on training. Enhance leadership traits and build teamwork skills in an exciting and competitive atmosphere. The competition includes a 10k run in combat gear, an eight-person rope-bridge, a grenade assault course, M-16 rifle marksmanship, orienteering, a physical-fitness test, weapons assembly and squad patrolling. Prerequisite: permission.
- MI 301 Leading Small Organizations I** **3**
 A series of practical opportunities to lead small groups and receive personal assessments and encouragement in situations of increasing complexity. Uses small-unit defensive tactics and opportunities to plan and conduct training for lower-division students, both to develop skills and to function as vehicles for practicing leadership. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and a leadership lab, MI 301L, plus participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness, MI 303. Participation in two mandatory weekend exercises with several optional weekend exercises offered. Prerequisite: permission.

MI 301L, 302L, 401L, 402L Leadership Laboratory 1

Open to students in the associated Military Science course only. Involves leadership responsibilities for the planning, coordination, execution and evaluation of various training activities with basic-course students and the ROTC program. Students develop, practice and refine leadership skills by serving and being evaluated in a variety of responsible positions. Prerequisite: permission.

MI 302 Leading Small Organizations II 3

Continues methodology of MI 301. Analyze tasks, prepare written or oral guidance for team members to accomplish tasks. Delegate and supervise tasks. Plan for and adapt to the unexpected in organizations under stress. Examine and apply lessons from leadership case studies. Examine importance of ethical decision-making in setting a positive climate that enhances team performance. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and leadership lab, MI 302L, plus participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness, MI 304. Participation in two mandatory weekend exercises with several optional weekend exercises offered. Prerequisite: MI 301.

MI 303,304,403,404 Military Physical-Fitness Program 1

Open only to (and required of) students in MI 301,302,401,402. Participate in, plan and lead physical-fitness programs. Develops the physical fitness required of an officer in the Army. Emphasis on the development of an individual fitness program and the role of exercise and fitness in one's life. Prerequisite: permission.

MI 391 Directed Readings 1-3

Incorporates readings in a variety of subject areas such as leadership dynamics in small units, offensive and defensive tactics, and studies in leadership characteristics and traits. Prerequisite: permission.

MI 395 Advanced Camp 3

A five-week leadership practicum conducted at an active Army installation. Open only to (and required of) students who have completed MI 301, 302. The student receives pay. Travel, lodging and most meal costs are defrayed by the U.S. Army. The advanced-camp environment is highly structured and demanding, stressing leadership at small-unit level under varied, challenging conditions. Individual leadership and basic skills performance are evaluated during the camp. Although this course is graded on a pass/fail basis only, the leadership and skills evaluations at the camp weigh heavily in the subsequent selection process that determines the type of commission and job opportunities given to the student upon graduation from ROTC and the university. Prerequisite: MI 301, 302 and permission.

MI 401 Leadership Challenges and Goal-Setting 3

Conduct and evaluate activities of the ROTC cadet organization. Articulate goals, put plans into action to attain them. Assess organizational cohesion and develop strategies to improve organization. Develop confidence in skills to lead people and manage resources. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and a leadership lab, MI 401L, plus participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness. Participation in two mandatory weekend exercises with several optional weekend exercises offered. Prerequisite: MI 302 and permission.

MI 402 Transition to Lieutenant 3

Continues the methodology from MI 401. Identify and resolve ethical dilemmas. Refine counseling and motivating techniques. Examine aspects of tradition and law as they relate to leading as an officer in the Army. Weekly requirements: three hours for class and a leadership lab, MI 402L, plus participation in a minimum of three one-hour sessions for physical fitness. Participation in two mandatory weekend exercises with several optional weekend exercises offered. Prerequisite: MI 401 and permission.

Directed Studies

Incorporates readings in a variety of subjects to prepare the cadet for becoming an officer. Prerequisite: permission.