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Introduction to ROTC

Welcome to the Army ROTC “The Old Capital Guard Battalion!” By now, you probably have at least a few questions about the program and would like to know more. This program guide should answer most, if not all, of your questions. If not, please feel free to contact any member of the office staff in Wilder Hall at Georgia Military College:

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Quick FAQs

What is ROTC?

ROTC stands for Reserve Officers Training Corps. Army ROTC is located in the Department of Military Science at Georgia Military College (GMC). Once Cadets have completed requirements for an Associate's Degree at GMC, they will receive a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army National Guard or Army Reserves. Depending on their status, Cadets may go on active duty, or stay in the Army National Guard or U.S. Army Reserve once the student completes their Bachelor’s Degree. Students graduating from GMC, they have three years to complete their Bachelor Degree before being assessed an Army Branch and going on Active Duty. ROTC is the #1 source of commissioned officers in the nation, with a 75% share of brand-new Second Lieutenants.

How do I take classes?

It’s easy! Army ROTC courses are listed on the GMC website. Apply to GMC and request an application packet from the ROTC Department.

Do I have an obligation to the military?

At GMC, once you sign a contract, you incur an 8-year obligation, electing to serve on Active Duty, National Guard, Reserve, or a combination.
**What kinds of jobs are available?**

Full and part-time opportunities exist in a number of career fields, such as: Logistics, Engineering, Aviation, Nursing, Military Police, and Computer Electronics. There are sixteen basic career fields, and several specialized fields, such as Dental, Veterinary, Medicine, and Law. (For a complete list of fields, please see the Career Benefits section of this guide.)

**How much money can I make?**

Brand-new Second Lieutenants on active duty earn approximately $40,000 per year, including housing allowance and other compensation. Don’t forget—soldiers earn 30 days annual paid vacation while on active duty and have full medical/dental coverage. Part-time opportunities exist in the National Guard and Reserve, where officers are paid for one weekend of drill per month and two weeks of Annual Training. Guard and Reserve Officers will also receive active duty pay while training for their specific career field. Financial benefits available to Cadets are listed in this program guide. You can also sign up for the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP). The TSP is a retirement savings plan both for civilians who are employed by the United States Government and for members of the uniformed services. You also get the Soldiers Group Life Insurance (SGLI). This is coverage of a Soldier up to $400,000. The premium is deducted from your check and is based on how much coverage you specify.

**What skills will I learn?**

Participants in the ROTC program develop critical skills in management, leadership, and analytical decision-making that are valuable to any civilian or military career. Students gain confidence, self-discipline, and technical experience. New lieutenants will enter the workforce as a leader and supervise as many as 45 people, while being accountable for hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of assets. Civilian employers want your leadership experience and technical knowledge. If you decide to leave the military many opportunities await you.

**Who do I talk to?**

Come and visit Georgia Military College. Talk to Cadets and Cadre (staff) to see if the program is right for you. Come and talk to the Admissions Officer who will help you learn how ROTC can help you meet your goals.
ROTC Program

The ROTC program is taken in conjunction with your regular classes in a selected major field, plus other general education requirements you need to complete to earn a commission. The main focus is on management and leadership skills development with increasing responsibilities as you progress through the program. A typical Cadet takes 2-4 credits of ROTC class per quarter, which may count towards your total credits required to graduate. At GMC you move directly into the Advance Course by either attending the Leadership Training Course (Ft. Knox, KY), being prior service (completed Basic and AIT), or have a minimum of three years in JROTC. Your status as a Cadet determines the length of time you need to complete your ROTC requirements. This will be covered in the Cadet Status section of the guide. Below is the entire ROTC program from start to finish.

Basic Course

The Basic Course consists of the first two years of college ROTC. This consists of Military Science I and Military Science II.

Military Science I Year
This year serves as the Cadets’ first introduction to the Army. Topics covered include military courtesy, military history, basic first aid, fundamentals of leadership, field training, and drill and ceremony. Cadets typically take the Military Science I class for a total of 1-3 credits per semester. The MS I class meets for one hour a week and attend the Leadership Lab for three hours each week. During the Fall and Spring there are several training exercises that cadets have the opportunity to attend. There is no military obligation to participate in these courses. However, Cadets with 3-4 year scholarships are required to take this course sequence.

Military Science II Year
The second year is an expansion of the topics taught in the first year of the program. Cadets are introduced to tactics, troop leading procedures, basics of operations orders, and ethics. The MS II class meets for one hour once a week and attends the Leadership Lab for three hours each week. Second-year cadets may attend the training exercises as does the MS I Cadets. There is no military obligation to take this course either. Cadets with 3-4 year scholarships are required to take this course sequence.

Leadership Training Course

Cadets attend the Leadership Training Course (LTC) to qualify for attendance to the ROTC Advance Course. LTC provides the training that a Cadet would have received in MS I and MS II classes. It is for those who have no prior military experience or less than 3-years of high school JROTC. Those who choose this option attend the course the summer before they begin the MS III year of ROTC. At GMC attendance is the summer after graduating high school. LTC is a four-week course conducted at Fort Knox, KY and Cadets are paid a stipend of $750 to attend. Travel, housing, food and uniforms are paid for all attendees. Cadets learn the same skills and fundamentals of military science, leadership, values and ethics taught in the two years of the Basic Course. There are two year scholarships available to qualified LTC completion Cadets.
Advanced Course

The Advance Course consists of the last two years of college ROTC. This consists of Military Science III, LDAC, and Military Science IV. Students have to complete these two years of ROTC to be commissioned as an Army Second Lieutenant.

Military Science III Year

The third year marks the beginning of the Advanced Course. While non-scholarship cadets may take the first two years or ROTC with no military obligation, third- and fourth-year students must sign a contract incurring a military obligation to serve full-time (active duty) or part-time (National Guard or Reserve) once commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. Cadets may be eligible for the Advanced Course if the following criteria are met:

- Students completed Military Science I and II Years OR
- Students with prior military service OR
- Students with three or more years of JROTC in high school OR
- Graduates of the Leadership Training Course (formerly Basic Camp) AND

GMC Cadets must complete two full years to be commissioned. The Cadet and his academic advisor will complete an academic planner (104-R) prior to enrolling in the program to ensure timely completion of the ROTC program and all degree requirements.

The course sequence in this year is mainly focused on the application of leadership and small-unit tactics. Cadets are assigned rotating leadership positions within the ROTC Battalion and are evaluated on their performance and leadership abilities while in those positions. Third-year Cadets practice briefing operations orders, executing small-unit tactics, leading and participating in physical training, and preparing for successful performance at the five week Leadership Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) during the summer following the MS III year. Attendance at the course is mandatory. The MS III class is three days per week for one hour and Leadership Labs meet once a week for three hours. Also, they are required to attend physical training five days a week which counts as part of their grade for the course. Attendance is mandatory for all field training.

Leadership Development and Assessment Course

The Leadership Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) is a paid 33 day leadership course conducted at Fort Lewis, Washington during the summer. Typically, Cadets attend LDAC during the summer after their first year in the Advanced Course. At LDAC Cadets take on various leadership roles and are evaluated on their performance and leadership abilities in those positions. Cadets also participate in adventure training, to include: confidence and obstacle courses, rappelling, water safety, weapons firing, and patrolling. Cadets must attend this course to earn an Army commission.

Military Science IV Year

This is the final year of the ROTC program and the main focus is towards preparing Cadets to become successful lieutenants in the Army upon graduation and commissioning. GMC graduates will apply for their branches (a career field) of interest, receiving the branching results from the ROTC selection board during their senior year of college.
Cadets are assigned Cadet Battalion staff positions and are responsible for evaluating MS III cadets and executing training operations and missions. Cadets take the credit Military Science IV class, meeting for one hour three times a week and attend Leadership Labs for three hours each week. Fourth-year Cadets are introduced to the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP), battle analysis, leadership counseling, and staff operations. Upon successful completion of the course program and graduation, Cadets will receive a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army National Guard or Army Reserves.

**Physical Training**

Physical fitness and leading a healthy lifestyle in general is an important part of being in the military. All GMC Cadets will participate.

ECP Cadets must pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) in order to contract and must continue to pass each time. Contracted ECP Cadets have to pass each APFT or risk Administrative Suspension until they pass.

**ROTC Commissioning Program at GMC**

**Early Commissioning Program (ECP)**

ECP a two-year program which only resides at a Military Junior College, Georgia Military College is one of five. Requirement to be enrolled as an ECP Cadet is to have completed the Leadership Training Course, be prior service (Basic and AIT) or completed at least three years of JROTC. Meeting one of these requirements qualifies a student to be contracted as an MS III Freshman Cadet in the Advance Course at the Military Junior College. The Advanced Course consists of six concurrent quarters of coursework and attendance at the Leadership Development and Assessment Course (LDAC).

Students that enter GMC in the Army ROTC Early Commissioning Program (ECP) are expected to complete all requirements to Graduate with an Associate’s Degree and complete all of the ROTC requirements.

Students in ROTC ECP complete their Associate’s Degree at GMC and receive a Commission in the U.S. Army National Guard or Army Reserve as a Second Lieutenant. Then the new 2nd Lieutenant moves on to a 4-year college that has Army ROTC, to complete their Bachelor’s Degree. Also, the 2nd Lieutenant will find an Army National Guard or Army Reserve unit to be assigned while completing their Bachelor’s Degree. All ECP Lieutenants are NON-Deployable while going to college.

ROTC Scholarships at GMC cover the two years at the Military Junior College. The ROTC Scholarship covers Tuition, Fee, and Books. All ECP Cadets receive a Performance Grant from GMC to cover Room and Board. To receive the Performance Grant, all students have to complete the FAFSA.

Tuition and Fees are covered at the 4-year college under the Education Assistance Program (EAP) for Military Junior College Early Commissioning Program Officers. See below for EAP procedures.
At the 4-year college, the 2nd Lieutenant is required to report to the Army ROTC Professor of Military Science. The 2nd Lieutenant will be required to take the Army Physical Fitness Test each semester, supervised by the ROTC Department. Also, the 2nd Lieutenant will drill with their Army National Guard or Army Reserve Unit.

ECP Lieutenants have to complete their Bachelor’s Degree to go Active Duty and to be promoted to Captain. The Army expects ECP Lieutenants to complete their 4-year degree within three years after receiving their commission from the Military Junior College.

**Cadets at GMC**

All new Cadets that attend GMC will go through a Plebe period. All Military Institutions have some sort of Plebe period, where new Cadets are put through an indoctrination program. During this time the students are closely supervised by upper classmen and the Commandant’s Office. This is a time that the new Cadets learn the rules, how to arrange their rooms; wear the uniform, drill & ceremony, and a myriad of other activities. Plebe period at GMC will last several weeks.

The structure environment at GMC provides a busy day for the Cadets, from Reveille to Taps with military formations, physical training, inspections, classes, activities and mandatory study time.

Uniforms are worn, in most cases, Monday thru Friday during the day, with students able to wear civilian clothing during off time.

**Cadets must pay the uniform cost up front at GMC at the beginning of their first quarter.** Cost of uniforms is approximately $900. Cadets complete requirements for Commutation (Uniform payment), receiving the payment during their second quarter of college.

**ROTC Early Commissioning Program (ECP) Training**

All ECP Cadets participate in all ROTC activities. The activities include Physical Training, Military Science class, Leadership Labs, Field Training Exercises, and Army Physical Fitness Test.

ECP Cadets are contracted into the ROTC Advance Course; taking Military Science III their freshman year and Military Science IV their sophomore year.

In most cases, ECP Cadets attend the Army ROTC Leadership Development & Assessment Course (LDAC) in the summer between their freshman and sophomore year. Following LDAC, students have the option to attend Airborne School, Air Assault School or CTLT. CTLT is where a cadet goes to an Active Army Unit in the U.S., Korea, or Germany for 3-4 weeks as a Cadet Lieutenant. At CTLT, the Cadet works in an Active Army alongside the officers of that unit. See above for information on LDAC.

**Academic Requirements**

All students in ROTC ECP are to be full-time students taking a minimum of 12 quarter hours. Students must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA or risk being put on administrative suspension or probation.
Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP)

(SMP) is a program in which Senior ROTC (contracted) Cadets simultaneously serve as members of the Army National Guard/Army Reserve and ROTC. Cadets participating in this program are non-deployable RC Unit assets. This program is open to all contracted non-scholarship Cadets and mandatory for all MJC Scholarship Cadets. LTC Scholarship Cadets may not participate. SMP allows eligible Cadets to gain leadership experience while members of an ARNG or USAR unit while simultaneously participating in ROTC to receive a commission.

SMP Cadets are put into a 09R slot in an Army National Guard or Army Reserve unit, which is an E-5 slot. The SMP Cadets are to drill with this unit on designated weekends, unless there are ROTC or GMC activities taking place the same weekend. ROTC Training and GMC activities take priority, so we will complete the appropriate paperwork so the SMP Cadet receives credit for the drill and their drill pay.

Soldiers already in the Army National Guard or Army Reserves, regardless of which state they are in, can apply to GMC and the Army ROTC Early Commissioning Program. We work with local recruiters to have the Solider transferred to a unit close to GMC.

Students must have an ASVAB.

Educational Assistance Program (EAP) for Early Commissioning Program Officers

Just prior to graduation/commissioning, the Cadet has the option to select the Extended Assistance Program (EAP). EAP is financial assistance designed to cover costs beyond the tuition assistance from their National Guard or Army Reserve unit participation. GMC ROTC Department will initiate the EAP paperwork (DA Form 597-4) and place the contract in their Military Personnel Readiness Jacket (MPRJ). EAP will cover either tuition or pay up to $10,000/year for room and board. Once at the four year university/college, the gaining Army ROTC unit will complete the form, including supporting documents and mail to HQ U.S. Army Cadet Command. Department of the Army will only pay EAP for two academic years, with summer sessions and mini sessions not considered part of the academic year. Once a student takes EAP, they have to maintain a 2.0 College GPA to retain EAP. Student incurs one additional year of obligation for each year of EAP.

NON-Scholarship Requirements

- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must not reach 31 years of age by June 30 of the year you will graduate from college.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on the 4.0. GED = 2.5
- Minimum of 850 on SAT (Critical Reading and Math only) or 17 on ACT
- High School Graduate or GED
- Have no moral or personal conviction against bearing arms or supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States.
Must have a minimum of 3-Years of High School JROTC, Prior Service or completed Basic Training for the Army National Guard or Army Reserves.
• Must be medically qualified.
• Must meet Army Height and Weight Standards
• Pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT)

**Steps to becoming an Army Officer**

1. Application Process
2. Acceptance into ECP
3. Freshman Year
4. Sophomore Year
5. Graduate with Associate’s Degree
6. Commission
7. Junior Year
8. Senior Year
9. Accessions
10. Graduate with Bachelor’s Degree

**Application Process**
There are two Application Processes, one being applying to attend Georgia Military College through College Admissions Office. The other is applying for Army ROTC Early Commissioning Program.

Apply to GMC through Admissions Office via mail, phone call or online.

Apply for ECP through ROTC Department via mail, email or phone.

- Contact ROTC Department for application
- Complete and return all required documents (See Application Document Requirements)
- Provide current High School or College Transcripts
- Upon graduating High School have Final Transcripts sent by school
- Provide SAT or ACT score sheet(s)
- Students have to complete a Medical Physical

**Acceptance into ECP**
Admissions Office will notify student of status of their application.

Once the minimum documents (Current High School Transcripts, SAT or ACT score sheets) are received, students will receive Conditional Acceptance from ROTC Department. Final Acceptance is only granted after all required documents have been received, student has completed the Medical Physical and any waivers approved.

Students that are attending ROTC Leadership Training Course will need to have also started the Medical Physical process.
**Freshman Year**
Students are provided information from the college on reporting date/time and a packing list.

New Cadets will go through the Plebe program at GMC. This is an intense indoctrination program to teach new Cadets how to march, wear uniform, barracks room setup, rules, customs, etc. in preparing the new Cadets to be part of the Corps of Cadets. Plebe program is run by the Commandant’s Office at GMC.

**Events taking place freshman year**
- Academic classes, ECP Cadets are to be full time students
- Obtain and Maintain at least a 2.0 GPA
- ROTC classes – Military Science 301, 302, & 303 (MS III Year)
- ROTC Activities – (Optional) Ranger Challenge, Drill Team, Rifle Team, Color Guard
- College Activities – Many to choose from
- Physical Fitness – Physical Training five days a week, early morning
- Army Physical Fitness Test – Taken several times, Cadets are expected to pass all test
- Height/Weight Standards – All ECP Cadets are to meet Army Height/Weight Standards
- Field Training Exercises – Several overnight training exercises will take place
- Swim Test – All Cadets have to pass swim test to be commissioned

Leadership Development & Assessment Course (LDAC)
See description above. ECP Cadets attend LDAC the summer after their freshman year. Exception is for those students who start winter and/or spring quarter, most likely attending the following summer.

Following LDAC, students have option to attend Airborne School, Air Assault School, or CTLT. It is possible for a student to attend both Airborne School and Air Assault School while at GMC. CTLT is where a Cadet reports to an Active Army Unit as a Cadet Lieutenant for three to four weeks in Korea, Germany or the United States. The Cadet Lieutenant works in the Active Army unit learning about being an Army Officer.

**Sophomore Year**
Cadets are provided information on reporting date/time. Those who are in leadership positions within the Corps of Cadets will be notified by the Commandant’s Office.

ECP Sophomore Cadets (MS IV) are in leadership positions assisting the Cadre in training the new ECP Cadets (MS III).

**Events taking place sophomore year**
- Academic classes, ECP Cadets are to be full time students
- Maintain at least a 2.0 GPA
- ROTC classes – Military Science 401, 402, & 403 (MS IV Year)
- ROTC Activities – (Optional) Ranger Challenge, Drill Team, Rifle Team, Color Guard
- College Activities – Many to choose from
- Physical Fitness – Physical Training five days a week, early morning.
- Army Physical Fitness Test – Taken several times, Cadets are expected to pass all test
- Height/Weight Standards – All ECP Cadets are to meet the Army Height/Weight Standards
Field Training Exercises – Several overnight training exercises will take place
Swim Test – All Cadets have to pass the swim test to be commissioned

**Graduate with Associate’s Degree**
ECP students need to work closely with their advisor and monitor their classes to ensure that they meet requirements to Graduate.

**Commission**
ECP Cadets have to meet all requirements to be commissioned.

Requirements:
- Graduate with an Associate’s Degree
- Regency Test – If required
- Complete all Army ROTC Training
- Graduate of LDAC
- Pass Army Physical Fitness Test within 30 days of commissioning
- Meet Army Height/Weight Standards
- Pass Swim Test
- Accepted into a 4-year college
- Accepted into a National Guard or Army Reserve Unit

Cadets who fail to abide by the terms of their scholarship contract, or who complete the course and decline to accept a commission, if offered, may be ordered to active duty by The Secretary of the Army to serve in an enlisted grade for such period of time as The Secretary of the Army may prescribe, but not more than four years.

Upon graduation and commissioning from GMC, the new Lieutenant must transfer to a four-year Baccalaureate degree granting institution, which offers Army ROTC. The Lieutenant will be given a delay from entry on Active Duty or Active Duty for Training of up to 36 months to complete your Bachelor’s Degree requirements. If the Lieutenant fails to complete their Bachelor’s Degree in the allocated timeframe, they will be in breach of the scholarship contract and subject to call to active duty or monetary recoupment. While at the 4-year university/college, the Professor of Military Science (PMS) will exercise administrative control over the Lieutenant and monitor physical fitness, maintenance of weight standard, personal conduct and academic progress.

**Junior Year**
ECP Lieutenants are to report to the gaining ROTC Professor of Military Science at 4-year College. They are to take the Army Physical Fitness Test at least once a semester and meet the Army Height/Weight Standards.

Educational Assistance Program (EAP) is available for the students to pay for tuition and fees. See information on EAP above. To receive and continue to receive EAP, ECP Lieutenant must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA.
Other assistance includes Tuition Assistance from the National Guard or Reserves.

ECP Lieutenants are to drill with their Army National Guard or Reserve unit; this includes once a month and several weeks during the summer.

Work with Advisor on requirements to Graduate with a Bachelor’s Degree.

**Senior Year**
Pass the Army Physical Fitness Test and meet Army Height/Weight Standards.

EAP is available for two years. Use if needed.

Continue to drill with your unit.

Verify with your Advisor that on track to graduate

**Accessions**
Accessions take place during the fall of Senior Year. ECP Lieutenant’s packet goes before the Accessions Board for Branch (Infantry, Armor, Transportation, Aviation, etc.) and duty locations. All those being accessed will be ranked ordered in Order of Merit List (OML). OML ranking is based on College GPA, Rating from ROTC Departments, and Rating at LDAC. College GPA accounts for 40 to 45 percent of this rating.

**Graduate with Bachelor’s Degree**
ECP Second Lieutenants should be a First Lieutenant by the time they graduate from 4-year College. Upon completing Bachelor’s Degree, the Lieutenant will know where they are to report next and when.

**Military Obligation**
Once a Cadet has contracted, they are legally obligated to an 8 year service commitment. The breakdown of the eight years is dependent on whether the Lieutenant goes Active Duty or stays National Guard/Reserves after completing their Bachelor’s Degree. If the Lieutenant goes Active Duty, then there is a minimum of four years required Active Duty time, with the other four years staying on Active Duty, serving in the National Guard/Reserves or Inactive Ready Reserve (IRR). If the Lieutenant stays National Guard/Reserves, then there is a six year service obligation in a active drilling unit, with the other two years either continuing on or moving into the Inactive Ready Reserve (IRR).

Those Lieutenant’s that accept the Extended Assistance Program (EAP) will incur a one-year obligation for each year/partial year of EAP benefits used while obtaining a Bachelor’s Degree.
Scholarship Programs

All Scholarships are ‘conditional’, in that an individual has to meet certain standards and conditions before they can contract and/or receive an ROTC scholarship. All standards and conditions are to be met to receive any of the ROTC benefits.

Military Junior College Scholarship

This scholarship is specific to those students who wish to attend GMC and compete for a Military Junior College Scholarship. MJC Scholarship is a guaranteed commission into the U.S. Army National Guard or U.S. Army Reserve, with the option to go Active Duty. Those receiving this scholarship must participate in SMP. MJC Scholarships cover Tuition, Fees and Books. Cadets receive a monthly tax-free stipend. These Cadets also receive weekend drill and annual training pay as participants in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP).

Cadets must maintain a 2.0 college GPA to retain their scholarship. Those students that drop below a 2.0 will be put on Administrative Suspension, losing their scholarship until their GPA is back to a 2.0 or higher.

Scholarship Requirements:
- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must not reach 31 years of age by June 30 of the year you will graduate from college.
- Minimum age of 17
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on the 4.0. GED = 2.5
- Minimum of 920 on SAT (Critical Reading and Math only) or 19 on ACT
- High School Graduate or GED
- Have no moral or personal conviction against bearing arms or supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States.
- Must have a minimum of 3-Years of High School JROTC, Prior Service or completed Basic Training for the Army National Guard or Army Reserves.
- Must be willing to participate in the SMP program with a Guard or Reserve Unit.
- Must be medically qualified.
- Must meet Army Height and Weight Standards
- Pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT)

Leader’s Training Course Scholarships

This scholarship is specific to those students who attend the Leadership Training Course (LTC) at Ft. Knox, KY. If a student meets all scholarship requirements and successfully completes LTC they are eligible for a scholarship. For GMC, LTC is one method to qualify for the Early Commissioning Program. LTC Scholarships are a guaranteed Active Army commission,
depending on the Army’s needs. Those receiving this scholarship cannot be in the SMP. The Scholarship pays for Tuition, Fees and Books. Cadets receive a monthly tax-free stipend.

Cadets must maintain a 2.0 college GPA to retain their scholarship. Those students that drop below a 2.0 will be put on Administrative Suspension, losing their scholarship until their GPA is back to a 2.0 or higher.

Scholarship Requirements:

- Must successfully complete the Leader’s Training Course
- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must not reach 31 years of age by June 30 of the year you will graduate from college.
- Minimum age of 17
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on the 4.0. GED = 2.5
- Minimum of 920 on SAT (Critical Reading and Math only) or 19 on ACT
- High School Graduate or GED.
- Have no moral or personal conviction against bearing arms or supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States.
- Must be medically qualified.
- Meet Army Height and Weight Standards
- Must pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT)

Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship

The Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty (GRFD) program is designed for Cadets who are interested in obtaining a commission in the U.S. Army Reserve or the National Guard with a guarantee for a Reserve Component assignment. GRFD scholarships pay up to $20,000 tuition and fees per year, depending on the type awarded. Scholarship awardees receive a book allowance of $900 per year ($450/semester) and receive a monthly tax-free stipend. These Cadets also receive weekend drill and annual training pay as participants in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP). Benefits may be recouped if the cadet chooses and is granted conversion to serve on active duty upon commissioning.

Cadets must maintain a 2.0 college GPA to retain their scholarship. Those students that drop below a 2.0 will be put on Administrative Suspension, losing their scholarship until their GPA is back to a 2.0 or higher.

Basic Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must not reach 31 years of age by June 30 of the year you will graduate from college.
- Minimum age of 17
- High School Graduate or GED.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on the 4.0 scale.
- Minimum of 920 on SAT (Critical Reading and Math only) or 19 on ACT
- Have no moral or personal conviction against bearing arms or supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States.
- Must complete the ROTC Basic Course requirements OR Basic Training.
- Must be willing to participate in the SMP program with a Guard or Reserve Unit.
- Pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT)
- Must be medically qualified.
- Meet Army Height and Weight Standards

**Military Obligation**
If you are selected for a GRFD scholarship, you are required to:
- Sign a GRFD contract, guaranteeing service in the National Guard or U.S. Army Reserve upon commissioning.
- Serve as an SMP cadet in the unit of your choice with an available SMP slot.
- Attend the 5-week Leadership Development and Assessment Course between your MS III and MS IV year.
- Accept a commission to serve in the National Guard or Reserve upon completion of the required academic and ROTC courses.
- Serve 8 years in a National Guard or Army Reserve unit that includes a 3-6 month active duty term for initial training.

**Dedicated Army National Guard Scholarship**
This scholarship is specific to those students who wish to stay in the National Guard upon commissioning. Dedicated ARNG scholarships pay up to $20,000 tuition and fees per year, depending on the type awarded. Scholarship awardees receive a book allowance of $900 per year ($450/semester) and receive a monthly tax-free stipend. These Cadets also receive weekend drill and annual training pay as participants in the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP).

Cadets must maintain a 2.0 college GPA to retain their scholarship. Those students that drop below a 2.0 will be put on Administrative Suspension, losing their scholarship until their GPA is back to a 2.0 or higher.

**Basic Eligibility Requirements**
- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must not reach 31 years of age by June 30 of the year you will graduate from college VERIFY.
- Minimum age of 17.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on 4.0.
- Minimum of 920 on SAT (Critical Reading and Math only) or 19 on ACT.
- Satisfactorily explain any record of arrest and/or civil conviction.
- Have no moral or personal conviction against bearing arms or supporting and defending the Constitution of the United States.
- Must complete the ROTC Basic Course requirements OR Basic Training.
- Must be willing to participate in the SMP program with a Guard or Reserve Unit.
- Pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT)
• Must be medically qualified.
• Meet Army Height and Weight Standards

**Military Obligation**
If you are selected for a Dedicated ARNG scholarship, you are required to:
• Sign a contract guaranteeing service in the National Guard upon commissioning.
• Serve as an SMP Cadet in the unit of your choice with an available SMP slot.
• Attend the 5-week Leadership Development and Accessions Course between your MS III and MS IV year.
• Accept a commission to serve in the National Guard upon completion of the required academic and ROTC courses.
• Serve 8 years in a National Guard unit, which includes a 3-6 month active duty term for initial training.

**Green to Gold**

Green to Gold Scholarships is for Army Active Duty soldiers who want to attend college with an ROTC Scholarship.

Green to Gold Scholarships **cannot** be used at Georgia Military College. These scholarships have to be used at Universities/Colleges that are either a Bachelor’s Degree or Master’s Degree generating program. Georgia Military College is an Associate’s Degree generating program.
Financial Benefits

One of the most confusing aspects of deciding which program works for you is the myriad of financial benefits available, depending on your situation. While not everyone can receive a scholarship, there are financial benefits even for those without a scholarship. Some of the alternative benefits include federal or state tuition reimbursement, Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB), and an ROTC stipend. Please follow the directions below to find out more information on the benefits available to you:

- If you are an enrolling or enrolled in the Early Commissioning Program proceed to Section A
- If you are a member of the U.S. Army Reserve, proceed to Section B
- If you are a member of the Army National Guard, proceed to Section C

List of Benefits Available Depending on Your Status

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*** Stipend is payable up to 10 months per year while in school

Section A Early Commissioning Program

You must attend LTC, prior service (Basic and AIT), or a minimum of three years of JROTC to be contracted as a MS III Cadet in the Early Commissioning Program (ECP). This is a two year Military Junior College (MJC) program offered at Georgia Military College. Once accepted into the program the Cadet will receive a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army upon completing all ROTC requirements and graduate with an Associate Degree.

List of Benefits

2-Year scholarships covering Tuition, Fees and Books
GMC provides Performance Grants to cover Room and Board

MJC Scholarship recipients must participate in SMP, see benefits of SMP. LTC Scholarship recipients cannot participate in SMP.

Montgomery GI Bill ($650 full-time) **if qualified**
In addition to scholarship benefits you will receive the ROTC Stipend:

- Military Science Level III: $450/month
- Military Science Level IV: $500/month
Tuition and Fees paid at follow-on 4-Year College.
**Section B United States Army Reserve Member**

You must have completed Basic & AIT and have 6 years remaining on your enlistment contract to receive all of these benefits. If you elect to serve on active duty, benefits received may be subject to recoupment. All SMPs are eligible for the GRFD program, which guarantees accession into USAR upon commissioning. USAR student loan repayment programs (SLRP) and enlistment bonuses terminate upon contracting with ROTC.

**Recipient of a Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty (GRFD) Scholarship**

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**Criteria to Receive Federal Tuition Assistance**

- Drilling reservist in good standing **AND**
- Attending a U.S. Department of Education approved institution of higher education, **AND**
- Declare an educational goal leading to a technical certificate or a credential higher than your current degree level (capped at master’s level), **AND**
- Earning your FIRST credential at the associate, baccalaureate, or master’s level, **AND**
- If enlisted, have sufficient time remaining on your contract to complete the course before separation.
## Section C Army National Guard Member

You must have completed Basic & AIT and have 6 years remaining on your enlistment contracts to receive all of these benefits. If you elect to serve on active duty, benefits received may be subject to recoupment.

All SMPs are eligible for the GRFD program, which guarantees accession into ARNG upon commissioning. ARNG student loan repayment programs (SLRP) and enlistment bonuses terminate upon contracting with ROTC.

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Commissioning Requirements

The goal of the ROTC program is to commission quality Cadets as Second Lieutenants in the United States Army upon completion of the ROTC program and graduation from college. Depending on their status, Cadets may elect to serve on active duty or stay in the National Guard or Reserve and serve their obligation of 8 years. In order to be approved for commissioning, Cadets must complete the following:

- Graduate with an Associate Degree in the Early Commissioning Program.
- Finish the Advance ROTC course requirements.
- Complete all Professional Military Educational (PME) requirements.
- Meet all medical requirements. (DODMERB)
- Pass Army Physical Fitness Test.
- Meet height/weight standards.
- Successfully complete Leadership Development and Accession Course (LDAC).
- Pass the Swim Test

Career Benefits

Participants in the ROTC program develop critical skills in management and leadership, which are valuable to any civilian or military career. Students gain confidence, self-discipline, and technical experience. New lieutenants will enter the workforce as a leader and supervise as many as 45 people, while being accountable for hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of assets. Even once you get out of the military, civilian employers want your leadership experience and technical knowledge.

Brand-new Lieutenants on active duty earn approximately $40,000 per year, including housing, food and other compensation. Don’t forget—Soldiers earn 30 days annual paid vacation while on active duty and have full medical/dental coverage. Part-time opportunities exist in the National Guard and Reserve, where officers are paid for one weekend of drill per month and two weeks of Annual Training. Guard and Reserve Officers will also receive active duty pay while training for their specific career field. There are sixteen basic career fields, called branches, and several specialized fields, listed below:

**Basic Branches:**

- Adjutant General Corps
- Air Defense Artillery
- Armor
- Aviation
- Chemical Corps
- Engineer
- Field Artillery
- Finance Corps
- Infantry
- Medical Service Corps
- Military Intelligence
- Military Police
- Ordnance
- Quartermaster
- Signal Corps
- Transportation Corps

**Specialized Branches:**

- Chaplain Corps
- Dental Corps
- Judge Advocate General Corps
- Medical Corps
- Army Nurse Corps
- Veterinary Corps
- Special Forces
Aviation
For those Cadets interested in the Aviation branch, a series of special qualifications must be met. Prior to attendance at the Leadership Development and Accessions Course (LDAC), Cadets must take the Alternate Flight Aptitude Selection Test (AFAST) and must score a 90 or higher in order to qualify for further processing. You may be retested only once and no sooner than 6 months after the first testing. Also, you must not be older than 30 years of age at the start of flight training. You are required to take and pass a Class 1A Flight Medical Physical Exam.

WEB Sites
Army ROTC  www.goarmy.com/rotc
Georgia Military College  www.gmc.cc.ga.us
College Info  www.collegereview.com
Financial Aid  www.ed.gov/studentaid
Financial Aid  www.fastaid.com
Financial Aid (FAFSA)  www.fafsa.ed.gov
Cadet Creed

I am an Army Cadet. Soon I will take an oath and become an Army Officer committed to defending the values which make this nation great. Honor is my touchstone. I understand mission first and people always.

I am the past – the spirit of those warriors who have made the final sacrifice.

I am the present – the scholar and apprentice soldier enhancing my skills in the science of warfare and the art of leadership.

But above all, I am the future – the future warrior leader of the United States Army. May God give me the compassion and judgment to lead and the gallantry in battle to win.

I will do my duty.

Cadet Oath

“I, (state your name), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice. So help me God.”
Cadet Patch

The shield symbolizes the Army mission of National Defense and is divided into quarters representing the four traditional Military Science courses that make up the Senior ROTC curriculum. The Sword signifies courage, gallantry, and self-sacrifice intrinsic to the profession of arms. The Lamp denotes the pursuit of knowledge, higher learning, and the partnership of Army ROTC with American colleges and universities. The Greek Helmet is symbolic of the ancient civilization concept of the Warrior Scholars. The motto “Leadership Excellence” expresses the ultimate responsibility of Army ROTC in the discharge of its moral responsibility to the Nation.

U.S. Army Commissioned Officer’s Oath

I, (state your name), having been appointed an officer in the Army of the United States, as indicated above in the grade of Second Lieutenant, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of The United States against all enemies, foreign, and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter. So help me God.
Officers Creed

I will give to the selfless performance of my duty and my mission the best that effort, thought, and dedications can provide. To this end, I will not only seek continually to improve my knowledge and practice of my profession, but also I will exercise the authority entrusted to me by the President and the Congress with fairness, justice, patience, and restraint, respecting the dignity and human rights of others and devoting myself to the welfare of those place under my command. In justifying and fulfilling the trust placed in me, I will conduct my private life as well as my public service so as the be free both from impropriety and the appearance of impropriety, acting with condor and integrity to earn the unquestioning trust of my fellow soldiers - - juniors, senior, and associates - - and employing my rank and position not to serve myself but to serve my country and my unit. By practicing physical and moral courage I will endeavor to inspire these qualities in other by my example. In all my actions I will put loyalty ot the highest moral principles and the United States of America above loyalty to organizations, persons, and my personal interest.
FINANCIAL INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

ALL STUDENTS ARE TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID
Go to:  www.fafsa.ed.gov
Contact GMC Financial Aid Office at 1-800-342-0413.

-COST TO ATTEND GEORGIA MILITARY COLLEGE
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-NON-SCHOLARSHIP MONIES

- GMC Performance/Tuition Assistance Grant
  provided to offset Room & Board up to __________ $7,500
- ECP Contract Cadet Stipend $450/month ________ $4,500
- Army Pay for LTC _______________ $ 750
- SMP currently pay as an E-5 ($241.88/month gross) x12 __ $2,902
- Federal Tuition Assistance USANG/USAR soldiers $176 per quarter hour
- Georgia National Guard Service Cancelable Loan Fund up to $1,123/quarter not to exceed $3,368/year
  (Legal resident of Georgia and in good standing in the GA National Guard)

-SCHOLARSHIP MONIES – MJC SCHOLARSHIPS

- Tuition/fees/books covered by Scholarship
  GMC Performance/Tuition Assistance Grant
  Provided to offset Room & Board up to __________ $5,835
  ECP Contract Cadet Stipend $450/month ________ $4,500
  Army Pay for LTC _______________ $ 750
  SMP currently pay as an E-5 ($241.88/month gross) x12 __ $2,902

-SCHOLARSHIP MONIES – LTC SCHOLARSHIPS

- Tuition/fees/books are covered by Scholarship
  GMC Performance/Tuition Assistance Grant
  Provided to offset Room & Board up to __________ $5,835
  ECP Contract Cadet Stipend $450/month ________ $ 4,500
  Army Pay for LTC _______________ $ 750
  LTC Scholarship recipients not eligible for SMP
HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE

Students may not qualify for a Scholarship or have the financial resources to accomplish their educational objective. Through the financial aid program, a combination of federal and/or state grants, state scholarship, institutional scholarships, work study and loans, Georgia Military College (GMC) make every effort to assure that no qualified student will be denied the opportunity to attend college because of a lack of funding.

GMC utilizes the results of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in determining a student’s level of financial need. This form may be obtained in the Financial Aid Office or online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

APPLICATION PROCESS FOR ALL FINANCIAL AID

1. Submit an Application for Admissions to Georgia Military College.
2. Complete and submit the FAFSA to apply for federal student financial aid and to apply for some state and college aid. Applying online is the fastest way. You sign the FAFSA with a Department of Education PIN, which you apply for at www.pin.ed.gov before beginning the FAFSA on the web. It takes a few days for the Pin to be issued.
3. Georgia Residents complete the electronic version of the Tuition Equalization Grant application (E-TEG) at www.GACollege411.org.
4. Students applying for federal aid using FAFSA on the Web will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) Information Acknowledgement within 10 to 14 days. For paper applications it take 3 – 5 weeks. The GMC Financial Aid Office will receive the information electronically.
5. Once the file is complete, the student will be notified of eligibility and the amount of aid available through an award letter.

GMC Federal School Code: 001571

Online help from GMC financial aid: fahelp@gmc.cc.ga.us

SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

More detailed information on each of the following programs is available from the GMC Financial Aid Office. 1-800-342-0413
Georgia Residents:

Georgia Tuition Equalization Grant (GTEG) provides non-repayable grants to eligible Georgia residents who enroll on a full-time basis at GMC.

Helping Outstanding Pupils Educationally (HOPE). Students who are eligible for the GTEG program may be eligible to receive additional assistance under this state Scholarship program. Consult the Financial Aid Office for eligibility requirements.

Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (LEAP)
LEAP is a need-based state grant designed program designed to provide educational assistance to residents of Georgia who demonstrate substantial financial need to attend eligible postsecondary institutions in Georgia.

Federal Assistance:

FEDERAL PELL GRANT
A Pell Grant, unlike a loan, does not have to be repaid since it is a need-based federal grant. Students may apply for the Pell Grant by completing the FAFSA.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT (FSEOG)
FSEOG is a need-based federal grant program designed to aid students with financial needs beyond Pell Grant. Contact the Financial Aid Office for eligibility requirements and the application process.

FEDERAL STAFFORD LOAN (Subsidized or Unsubsidized)
Stafford Loans are the major form of self-help aid for students. These are low interest loans that are repaid after you graduate, leave school, or drop below half-time enrollment. Subsidized loans are awarded on the basis of financial need. An unsubsidized loan is not need-based and interest does begin to build from the time of the loan is disbursed.

FEDERAL WORK STUDY (FWS)
FWS is a need-based federal work-study program. Students work up to 20 hours per week in on-campus jobs and are paid an hourly rate to help pay education expenses. Students must complete the FAFSA and show an unmet need. Contact the Financial Aid Office for information.

FEDERAL PLUS LOAN
This is a non-need based education loan for parents to assist them in meeting the expected family contribution for their dependent student. PLUS loans are made at the discretion of private lenders. Parents may contact the Financial Aid Office for more information.
GMC Specific Assistance:

Check with GMC Financial Aid Office and Admissions Office on all Grants, Loans, and Scholarships for information on requirements, timeline, and standards of satisfactory progress.

FOUNDATION ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

Any student wishing to apply for a Georgia Military College Foundation Scholarship to help finance his/her GMC education may complete and submit the scholarship application available from the Office of Advancement. Applications are also online at www.gmc.cc.ga.us.

GMC BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Battalion Commander Scholarship
Applicant must have a minimum of 2.7 High School GPA and either a 920 SAT or 19 ACT score. In addition, the applicant must have a letter of recommendation from his/her JROTC instructor.

President’s Scholarship
Applicant must have a minimum of a 2.5 High School GPA and either a 920 SAT or 19 ACT score. In addition, the applicant must have a letter of recommendation from a school administrator.

Frances Wood Wilson Scholarship
Funding from this foundation provides scholarship money for junior college students at GMC. The applicant must have a minimum of 2.5 GPA, a combined 870 SAT score, or an 18 ACT score to be eligible.

Georgia Power Scholarship
This is available only for non-traditional students. Non-traditional student is classified as a student who has been out of high school for more than one year, is currently employed (30-40 hours per week), and has family responsibilities. Students must have completed one quarter at GMC and earned a 2.0 GPA to be qualified.

Major Herschel Walden Scholarship
This scholarship assists a junior college student who is in good scholastic standing and demonstrates need for financial assistance. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, combined 830 SAT score, or a 17 ACT.

W.J. Usery, Jr. Scholarship
This scholarship provides financial assistance for a junior college student with a minimum of 3.0 GPA.

Howard H. “Bo” Callaway Scholarship
The applicant must have a minimum of 3.0 GPA, a combined 1000 SAT score, or a 22 ACT score. This scholarship is for students who have exemplified outstanding leadership.
John and Gene Williamson Scholarship
This scholarship is to assist junior college student who must be in good scholastic standing and have financial need for a scholarship. The student must initially have a B- high school average and/or a 1000 SAT score.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP POSSIBILITIES

Datatel Scholarship
This is offered once a year and the application is available online beginning in September of each year. Students go to www.datatel.com and click Scholarship Foundation for information and an application.

Coca Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship
These are very competitive. Students must demonstrate academic success and must have completed one hundred hours of documented community service within the past twelve months.

Coca Cola First Generation Scholarship
Very competitive scholarship is open to individual who are the first member of his immediate family to attend college. The applicant must be currently enrolled as full-time student and must have a 3.0 GPA or higher to receive and retain the scholarship.

Cadet Corps Member Scholarships
GMC has available funding that specifically helps pay costs for GMC cadets.
PLEASE READ AND CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS

Parents/Guardians and students’ need to understand the requirements to obtain an Army ROTC Scholarship and retain the Army ROTC Scholarship at Georgia Military College (GMC) in the Early Commissioning Program (ECP).

Army ROTC Scholarships will pay for Tuition/Fees/Books or Room/Board, **BUT NOT BOTH**. At GMC all ROTC ECP Cadets receive a Performance Grant from GMC that covers Room/Board. So, Cadets on an Army ROTC Scholarship have little to pay out for school. To obtain the Performance Grant from GMC, parents/guardians are required to complete the FAFSA process through GMC’s Financial Aid Office. The Performance Grant will not be issued until this process is complete.

Cadets in ROTC at GMC receive a uniform allowance called Commutation during their second quarter of attendance and have passed the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT). GMC requires that the student pay the uniform bill during the students 1st Quarter, **so be prepared to pay approximately $900 in the 1st Quarter**. The Cadet will receive the money for the uniforms from the Army during their 2nd Quarter at GMC.

All Cadets require a Security Clearance prior to Commissioning as a Second Lieutenant. It is very important that you provide us with all the information pertaining to any and all Law Violations. This includes violation that where expunged (removed from your records); these offences are never removed from the eyes of the government. Most violations will not require a waiver, but those violations that do will require time to process.

**UNIFORMS ARE PURCHASED BY STUDENTS DURING 1ST QUARTER AT GMC, APPROXIMATELY $900.** Cadets complete requirements for Commutation (Uniform payment), receiving the payment during their second quarter of college.

Scholarships pay for tuition, book allowance, and fees. Room & Board is covered by Performance Grant. Only cost to ROTC Scholarship Cadet is the Application Fee to GMC ($35) and GMC Housing Fee ($75).

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