Air Force ROTC The Mighty Blue Dragons

What is Air Force ROTC?

Visit the AFROTC.com website to learn all about the program, which is offered nation-wide at various detachments/universities.

AFROTC Program Paths

Four Plus, Four, Three, and Two Year Programs

Air Force ROTC is traditionally a four year program, but we also offer a condensed three year program to transfer students who are eligible. Only active duty enlisted members have the opportunity to complete AFROTC in as little as two years if they are accepted into one of the approved Enlisted Commissioning Programs (ECPs). Visit https://www.afrotc.com/scholarships/enlisted for more information if you are currently enlisted. Note: The ECP application is processed outside of AFROTC Det 088.

If you have less than three years of college ahead of you and are not participating in an ECP, then you may elect to double major, pick up a minor, or even begin graduate (Master's level) course work to extend your timeline to fit the minimum three year AFROTC program. If you begin graduate study, we cannot guarantee that you will be allowed to finish your Master's. In other words, once you have a Bachelor's degree and have met the AFROTC program requirements (minimum three years and all AFROTC classes completed) then you will commission and join Active Duty.

If you need more than four years (typically technical majors such as engineering), you can still do AFROTC by incorporating either a period of non-attendance or a "completed cadet" status into your academic degree plan. The specifics will be reviewed and approved by your AFROTC instructor.

Check out our Visual Aids for 3- and 4-Year Programs, and Weekly Schedule

Within the four-year program framework, the first two years of AFROTC are known as the General Military Course (GMC) where Freshmen (AS100s) take the Aerospace Studies (AS) AERO 1A and 1B courses (1 unit) and Sophomores (AS200s) take the AERO 21A and 21B courses (1 unit). During the summer between AS200 and AS300 years, cadets attend Field Training (FT) at Maxwell AFB in Alabama. Upon successful completion of FT, cadets graduate into the Professional Officer Course (POC) where Juniors (AS300s) then take the AERO 135A/B courses (3 units) and Seniors (AS400s) take the AERO 145A/B courses (3 units). Note: These course numbers are specific to CSU Sacramento. If you enroll in AFROTC at another Detachment, the course numbers may be different, but they are the same courses. The naming convention of AS100, AS200, etc. remains the same regardless of detachment.

Three-year program cadets enroll concurrently in AERO 1 and AERO 21 courses so that both series are complete in a single academic year. Cadets in this situation are referred to as AS250s, and they attend Field Training the summer immediately following their first year in AFROTC so that they will have two years in the POC.