ROTC (RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS)

Coordinator: David A. Campion

For students seeking to serve as commissioned officers in the U.S. Army or U.S. Air Force, the Army Reserve or Air Force Reserve, or the National Guard or Air National Guard upon graduation, Lewis & Clark maintains a partnership with the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) detachment and the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) detachment at the University of Portland. This partnership enables students to integrate their military training as cadets with a traditional liberal arts education.

Students interested in ROTC should meet with the ROTC coordinator as soon as they enroll at Lewis & Clark. The ROTC coordinator will meet with students regularly to review their academic performance and help them plan their course schedule and balance their studies with their ROTC commitments and commissioning requirements. The ROTC coordinator is Lewis & Clark's liaison to the commanding officer and professor of military science at the University of Portland Army ROTC detachment, and the commanding officer and professor of air and space studies at the Air Force ROTC detachment.

Lewis & Clark students may earn up to 2 semester hours of practicum credit per semester, to a maximum of 8 credits, while they are actively enrolled as cadets in the Army or Air Force ROTC. To do so, they should enroll in ROTC 244 Practicum. Supervised by the ROTC coordinator, students in this course write about their field experiences and integrate those experiences with other parts of the Lewis & Clark education. This practicum will be graded on a credit/no credit basis and follows all of the normal Lewis & Clark rules and regulations governing internship and practicum credit.

Students may also transfer up to 4 semester hours of credit for physical education classes completed in Army or Air Force ROTC training. A maximum of 4 semester hours of physical education credit is applicable toward graduation requirements. Students who take PE/A 101 Activities and/or PE/A 102 Varsity Athletics at Lewis & Clark, therefore, will not be able to transfer a full 4 semester hours of credit for physical education classes completed in ROTC training.

Students enrolled as Army ROTC cadets may satisfy that program's military history requirement by completing HIST 299 Independent Study. This directed study, taken for a grade, is limited to Army ROTC cadets and is worth 4 semester hours of credit. It may also count as an elective toward the history major or minor.

Faculty

David A. Campion. Dr. Robert B. Pamplin Jr. associate professor of history. British and South Asian History. PhD 2002, MA 1997 University of Virginia. BA 1991 Georgetown University.

Courses

ROTC 244 Practicum

Content: Integration of ROTC field experiences with a liberal arts education. Credit-no credit. May be repeated for credit.

Prerequisites: None.

Restrictions: Sophomore standing and consent required. Open only to ROTC cadets.

Usually offered: Annually, fall and spring semester. Semester credits: 1-2.