

Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 128

AIR FORCE ROTC, DETACHMENT 128 UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

(DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY, WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE)

The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps is an educational program designed to give men and women the opportunity to become an Air Force officer while completing a degree. The program is designed to prepare you to assume positions of increasing responsibility and become a leader in today's United States Air Force. Jobs are available in career fields including pilots, navigators, electrical engineers, space and missiles, health professions, and many more. Pilots and navigators may have **ANY** academic major.

Scholarship Opportunities are available for cadets that meet AFROTC requirements. Benefits include up to **\$18,000 for tuition** and **\$600 for books** a year plus a monthly stipend (\$300 freshmen, \$350 sophomores, \$450-juniors, and \$500 seniors).

Academic Requirements: A 1-hour course and a 2-hour leadership lab once per week. Cadets also will attend physical training three a week (scheduled before and after classes).

Enrollment is easy. Just enroll in AFSC 110 and AFSC 250, that's it. You incur no obligation to the USAF by enrolling in these classes. We supply your uniform and textbooks.

Summer Programs: Cadets must complete field training between their sophomore and junior year. Additional optional summer programs, with pay, include free-fall training (jump school), base visits overseas, medical officer orientation, flight nurse orientation, Office of Special Investigation, and many more. Language majors may also have the opportunity to spend 30 days living in the country of their major.

Upon Graduation from college you'll be commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant and will incur a 4-year active duty service commitment (longer if you're a pilot or navigator).

For More Information, visit our web page at www.udel.edu/afrotc/

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Do I have to join AFROTC as a 1st year?

Opportunities are available for students with at least 2.5 years remaining in their degree program.

Q: If I find AFROTC is not for me, can I leave the program?

Any time during your first 2 years of the 4-year program, if not on scholarship, you are free to leave the program. Once you start your 3rd year of the 4-year program, you are committed to the program.

Q: What is the commitment after graduation? After graduating from the AFROTC program, you must serve 4 years' active duty in the Air Force as a Commissioned Officer and then serve 4 years in reserve status. Pilots and Navigators, however, owe more time because of the specialized training they receive.

Q: Do I have to have a scholarship to join AFROTC?

You do not have to have a scholarship to join the AFROTC program. We work hard to get every qualified cadet some sort of scholarship once in the program.

Q: If I don't get a scholarship, do I still have to serve on Active Duty when I graduate?

All cadets who complete the AFROTC program must serve 4 years on active duty.

Q: Can I study abroad when in AFROTC?

It is possible to study abroad while enrolled in the AFROTC program. Each case is handled on an individual basis.

Q: Is joining AFROTC the same thing as enlisting in the Air Force? Is joining the program the same as graduating from the Air Force Academy? Joining AFROTC is not the same as enlisting. You are commissioned as an officer when you complete the program. You receive the same commission as a cadet that graduates from the Air Force Academy.

Q: Can I fly? There's a possibility. You must first qualify by passing a physical exam, physical fitness test, and earn qualifying scores on the Air Force Officers Qualifying Test (AFOQT).

Q: Do I have to fly? No, the Air Force has opportunities for all fields of work, from personnel to computers to maintenance. The Air Force has a career for everyone. Any career that is available in the civilian world probably has an equivalent in the Air Force.

Q: Do I have to wear a uniform to class each day?

No, you are only required to wear your uniform to your ROTC academic class, on Thursdays and for a few AFROTC activities during the semester.

Q: How much time do I have to devote to AFROTC each week?

As a 1st or 2nd year cadet, you will enroll in a 1-credit class and, as a 3rd or 4th year cadet, you will enroll in a 3-credit class. All cadets must attend a 2-hour Lead Lab once a week and physical training three times a week.

Q: Are there any "fun" activities to participate in, or are they all military oriented?

There are several "military" activities that you have to participate in, such as Dining In ceremonies, but the Corps also offers many fun social activities, such as intramural sports and social gatherings.

Q: Does AFROTC restrict me from participating in other school activities? AFROTC encourages cadets to join other organizations around the school such as fraternities, clubs, varsity sports teams, or service organizations.