



2007-2008 Career Planning Guide

ARMY RESERVE OFFICER'S TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)

Spokane Community College

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Spokane, Washington 99217-5399
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Completion Award: A.A. Degree

Start: Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

Tuition and Fees: <http://www.ccs.spokane.edu/fees.html>

Program Description

Completion of the Army Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) program leads to a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army as an active duty soldier, a reservist or a National Guardsman. Students enroll in Army ROTC as an additional course while pursuing the academic discipline of their choice. Completion of the Basic course, normally taken during the first and second years of college, is a prerequisite for enrolling in the Advanced course at a four-year college or university. The Basic course does not obligate a student to the Army; 100 and 200 level ROTC courses exist so that students can discover for themselves whether they desire to continue with the ROTC Advanced course (junior and senior years normally).

ROTC courses are conducted through SFCC via a cross-enrollment agreement with Eastern Washington University (EWU). Students can meet the qualifications for the Basic course at SCC or SFCC in preparation for the advanced course. These EWU ROTC classes are held at SFCC. SCC students must travel to SFCC for classes.

Upon successful completion of the Basic course, students are eligible to apply for Advanced ROTC at any college or university that offers Army ROTC. Contracted ROTC students receive \$400 (juniors) and \$500 (seniors) a month stipend during the advanced course as an EWU student. They will also receive approximately \$600 when they attend the five-week summer camp between the junior and senior years in college.

Upon completion of the Advanced course and graduation from a four-year institution, students are commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants in the United States Army, as either active duty, reserve, or national guard officers.

While enrolled in the Basic course, students may apply for a two- or three-year full-tuition scholarship which covers the costs of tuition, fees, books and the monthly stipends highlighted above.

College Transfer Information

While students attend college for a variety of reasons, most attend for the purpose of acquiring the knowledge and skills needed for entering a particular field of work, occupation or profession.

Because the first two years of college are frequently spent meeting general college or university requirements, many options are available to students who plan to complete their freshman and sophomore years at SCC or SFCC.

Students should always check the requirements of the four-year institution from which they intend to graduate. Careful planning is necessary, as transferability of specific courses or programs is determined solely by the college to which the student transfers. Transfer guides, available in Counseling Centers at SCC and SFCC, should be consulted by all students planning to transfer.

Students who have not made a decision regarding a transfer institution should follow the Community Colleges of Spokane requirements for the associate of arts degree. These requirements will satisfy most of the general course requirements for graduation from other institutions. Requirements for the associate of arts degree and a complete listing of courses available will be found in the college catalog.

Counseling Services

Educational, vocational and personal counseling services are available to all students through the counseling centers at SCC or SFCC. Students may obtain professional counseling services prior to registration to plan their program of study. In addition, faculty advisers are assigned to each student to provide further assistance during the year.

WHO MAY ENROLL?

Any male or female student.

MILITARY OBLIGATION

Students enrolling in ROTC incur no military obligation by participating in the first two years of the program. All college credits earned in the ROTC classes count like any other college elective. All students enrolled in the Advanced course—normally juniors and seniors—are paid \$400 and \$500 per month respectively for ten months of each school year for the final two years of the ROTC program at EWU. These students incur a military obligation with a variety of options available. The options range from reserve or national guard active duty tours for as little as 90 days as a reserve officer, to opportunities for a full-time professional military career. The commitment for any student is the same, whether commissioned as an active duty, reserve, or national guard officer.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Students enrolled as cadets in ROTC may compete for two- and three-year Army ROTC scholarships. These scholarships provide money toward tuition, books and fees, as well a money stipend for each month of the school year for the duration of the scholarship.

TWO-YEAR PROGRAM

College students who do not take the first two years of ROTC can still earn a commission in the U.S. Army. They can attend a five-week ROTC Leader's Training Course after their sophomore year, then complete the ROTC advanced course at the college of their choice. Students with prior military service may be able to meet the requirements of the Basic course if they successfully completed Army Basic Training. The two-year program is designed for community college students and students at four-year colleges who did not take Army ROTC during their first two years.

COST

All books, supplies and equipment needed are provided by the U.S. Army without cost to students who enroll in these courses.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained from the Department of Military Science, Eastern Washington University. Telephone: (509) 359-6110/2386.