Western Kentucky University
College of Educational and Behavioral Sciences
Department of Military Science

Course Syllabus

Course Number: Military Science 102
Office Phone: 745-4293
Semester Hours Credit: 2
Classroom: DA

Course Title: Developmental Skills Office: DA

Course Description: This course is for those students who are seriously considering a minor in Military Science with the intent of obtaining an Army Commission. This course establishes a foundation of basic leadership fundamentals such as problem solving, communication skills, briefings and effective writing, goal setting, techniques for improving listening and speaking skills as well as an introduction to counseling. Students also receive an overview of basic map reading, first aid and survival skills.

Prerequisites: None.

Course Objectives: The main objectives of this course are to enable the student to:

- establish a foundation of basic leadership fundamentals listed in the course description.
- learn basic individual and small unit battle drills as well as movement techniques.
- become familiar with selected, basic soldier skills.
- learn the fundamentals for map reading.

Textbooks: All textbooks and course material or equipment will be provided by the Military Science Department. Students are responsible for returning the materials at the end of the semester.

Attendance and Assignments: Regular class attendance is required to master the material in the class. Any unexcused absence will result in points being deducted from final grade. Students are expected to read and study any homework assigned by the instructor or in the syllabus.

Mandatory Events:

Leadership Labs: All ROTC cadets attend Friday leadership labs from 0900 - 0955 at
Diddle Arena.

Color Guard: All contracted/scholarship ROTC cadets will participate in various color guard events - to be determined. The schedule will be posted by the battalion chain of command.

Counseling: ROTC cadets receive at least two counseling sessions by their Military Science Instructor.

Mandatory Training: ROTC Contracted and scholarship cadets must attend: 1) the Field Training Exercise (FTX) 1 - 4 April; 2) the Military Ball on 28 February; 3) and the land navigation training on 13 March.

Physical Training: ROTC cadets participate in physical readiness training three (3) times per week, on M/W/ TH from 0700-0815. One point will be taken from final grade for every unexcused absence.

Book Report

Each student selects and reads a military history book during the semester. At the end of the semester, the student provides the class with a five minute book presentation about the book they read for the semester.

Course Weight: ROTC Cadets Students

Quizzes 20 points 20 points

Attendance and class assignments 10 points 20 points

Mid-Term 20 points 20 points

Book presentation 10 points 10 points

Final Exam 20 points 30 points

APFT score: 20 points N/A

NOTE: ROTC cadet APFT grades result from the final APFT of the semester and determined by dividing the total by 15 (i.e. a score of 240 would result in 16 points).

Letter Grades:

90 - 100 points: A

80 - 89 points: B

70 - 79 points: C

60 - 69 points: D

< 60 points: F