CHAPTER 2: ORGANIZATION & WHO'S WHO

FACULTY AND STAFF (CADRE)

The instructors in the ROTC department are all active duty military, either Regular Army or Active Guard and Reserve (AGR). The department head is titled the Professor of Military Science (PMS). The department senior enlisted advisor is the unit Senior Non-commissioned Officer (NCO). Other officers assigned here as instructors are titled Assistant Professors of Military Science (APMS). They serve primarily as teachers and are available to counsel cadets with any type of problem. Senior Noncommissioned Officers (NCO’s) who are assigned here are called Military Instructors. These NCO’s are involved in the teaching of military skills. Additional administrative and supply personnel are assigned to the detachment. Collectively, the active military personnel on campus are referred to as the cadre.

CADETS

All students taking ROTC are grouped into Military Science (MS) levels based on their academic alignment and military training experience.

- MSI: Normally an Academic Freshman
- MSII: Normally an Academic Sophomore
- MSIII: Normally an Academic Junior
- MSIV: Normally an Academic Senior

NOTE. Each student is classified as a cadet and collectively referred to as the Corps of Cadets.

The Corps of Cadets is organized and staffed basically the same as an active duty Army unit. The type organization varies with the existing size of the Corps of Cadets. Currently the Corps is organized as a Battalion which oversees a Company organization. The Battalion receives its guidance from the Cadre (similar to the Brigade) and disseminates this guidance to the Cadet Company Commander. The guidance is then turned into executables missions as it flows through the Company/Corps of Cadets for execution. Below is a discussion of the cadet command and staff positions that are filled by cadets.

The Big Red Battalion is composed of cadets from various colleges and universities in Nebraska such as:

- University of Nebraska Lincoln
- Doane College
- University of Nebraska Kearney
- Southeast Community College
- Nebraska Wesleyan
- Concordia
- York

BATTALION LEVEL

- **Battalion Commander.** The Battalion Commander (Bn Cdr) is the senior Cadet Officer for all Cadet Corps activities. The Bn Cdr has the responsibility to effectively employ all battalion resources to insure the accomplishment of Cadet Corps objectives. The formulation of new policies and programs, or changes to existing policies and programs, and must have prior approval from the PMS or his/her authorized representatives. The Bn Cdr discharges his/her duties through the Cadet Company Commanders and Cadet Staff Officers.
- **Battalion Executive Officer.** The Battalion Executive Officer (Bn XO) is the ranking staff officer and is directly responsible to the Bn Cdr for coordination and supervision of staff activities. The Bn XO:
  - Supervises staff activities as necessary.
  - Coordinates staff work efforts.
  - Assigns those staff duties, which are not specifically identified in this document.
  - Provides the Bn Cdr with information pertaining to staff activities.
  - Ensures timely staff coordination on all cadet activities which in any way influence or involve UNL’s cadet operations or activities.
  - Assumes the duties of the Bn Cdr when the commander is not present.
  - Supervises and coordinates detailed administrative and logistical staff planning for all Field Training Exercises (FTX’s).
  - Assist the Bn Cdr with other activities as required.

- **Battalion Adjutant (S-1).** The Battalion Adjutant is the primary staff officer responsible for all matters pertaining to personnel and administration. The Battalion Adjutant:
  - Provides the commander with information and recommendations pertaining to personnel and administrative matter.
  - Maintains accurate and current battalion administrative records.
  - Periodically publishes an information bulletin of cadet activities.
  - Organizes and coordinates the use of the Cadet Battalion bulletin board.
  - Supervises cadet health and welfare activities as required.
  - Acts as the staff coordinator for cadet awards.
  - Administers and coordinates any other battalion administrative program required by the Battalion Commander or PMS.
  - Maintains accurate cadet attendance records for Leadership Lab and reports cadet attendance to the appropriate instructor.
  - Maintains the detachment scrapbook/history.
  - Coordinates the yearly Dining In and the Military Ball.

- **Battalion Security Officer (S-2).**
  - Information Systems Security Officer.
  - Classroom/Bunker clean-up.
  - Stadium security/clean-up.
  - Lautenburg agreement.

- **Battalion Operations Officer (S-3).** The Battalion S-3 is the primary staff officer responsible for all matters pertaining to cadet operations and training activities. The Battalion S-3:
  - Establishes training objectives for Leadership Labs as required by the PMS or Battalion Commander.
  - Develops a Leadership Lab and FTX training program to accomplish training objectives.
  - Plans and schedules training activities for Leadership Labs and FTX’s.
  - Maintains training files and records.
  - Ensures training quality control and compliance with training objectives.
  - Maintains cadet training publication library.
  - Maintains training Lesson Plans used for Leadership Labs.
  - Monitors Leadership Labs and Field Training Exercises.
● **Battalion Logistics Officer (S-4).** The Battalion S-4 is the primary staff officer responsible for all matters pertaining to cadet supply and logistical activities. The Battalion S-4:
- Provides the commander with information and recommendations pertaining to supply matters.
- Coordinates with the Bn Supply Technician to support all cadet functions.
- Establishes a procedure (SOP) for the control and accountability of supplies and equipment.
- Maintains accountability, control and security of cadet supplies and equipment.
- Requisitions and procures supplies and equipment as required.
- Provides for issue of supplies and equipment.

● **Battalion Recruiting/Public Affairs Officer (S-5).** The Battalion S-5 is the primary staff officer responsible for all matters pertaining to cadet enrollment, retention publicity and public relations. The Battalion S-5:
- Establishes and supervises programs to increase cadet enrollment and retention.
- Performs other related duties as required by the PMS or the Cadet Battalion Commander.
- Ensure that cadet activities receive appropriate media coverage.
- Coordinates Hometown New Release Program.
- Maintains publicity files and records.
- Provides the commander with information and recommendations relative to publicity and public relations.
- Organizes, monitors and controls a sponsorship program for newly as signed cadets.

● **Battalion Web Page Administrator (S-6):**
- Responsible for updating all information to include lab photos on the Big Red Battalion web page www.unl.edu/armyrotc.

**COMPANY LEVEL**

● **Company Commander.** The Company Commander (Co Cdr) supervises, organizes and controls the activities of all cadets assigned to the company. He or she plans and coordinates all training for the company and is responsible for the welfare and morale of all assigned cadets.

● **Company Executive Officer.** The Company Executive Officer (Co XO) is the second in charge of the Company (2IC). The XO fills in during the Co Cdr’s absence and assists the Company Commander in any way necessary or as directed. The Company XO is the primary quality control officer for the LDP (Leadership Development Program). The XO ensures that all evaluation cards are turned in on time, are correctly written, sorted, and turned in to the MSIII Instructor for further processing.

● **Platoon Leaders.** The Platoon Leaders are MS IV cadets who are assigned to assist in conducting and supervising leadership and field training geared toward preparing MS III cadets for Advanced Camp.

● **First Sergeant.** The Company First Sergeant is an MS III cadet who is responsible for holding company formations and assisting the Company Commander in the administration process of the company. He/she is further responsible for insuring that an accurate Daily Status Report is provided to the Senior NCO by 0900 hours on all days that training is conducted.

● **Platoon Sergeant.** The Company Platoon Sergeants are MS III cadets who are responsible for supervising, organizing, coordinating and controlling the activities of all cadets assigned to their platoon.
- **Squad Leader.** The Company Squad Leaders are MS III cadets who are responsible for supervising, organizing, coordinating and controlling the activities of all cadets assigned to their squad.

**NOTE.** An implied duty of all Cadet Leaders is to assist in the effort to recruit new students to enroll in Army ROTC at the University of Nebraska Lincoln and other schools participating in our program.

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**Chain of Command**

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