

CHAPTER 3: CADET STANDARDS OF CONDUCT (How Do I Act?)

INTEGRITY

HONESTY

DEPENDABILITY

COOPERATIVENESS

CARE OF THE UNIFORM

PRIDE IN PERSONAL APPEARANCE

PROMPTNESS

These standards are the same as those expected of every U.S. Army Officer. Depending on how well you demonstrate that you possess these traits will directly effect your competitiveness for a commission, your choice of branch and assignment to active duty.

CADET HONOR CODE

- Cadets will not lie, cheat, or steal, or tolerate anyone who does.
- The word and signature of a military officer is his/her bond. This is tradition, and the military profession is one of the proud few that have developed this reputation.
- Thus, an important part of every officer's training is to instill within him or her a sense of honor, honesty and integrity.
- There is no place in the commissioned ranks for a liar, a cheat, or someone who would conceal the truth. Intentional dishonesty is inexcusable and cannot be condoned.
- The word of an officer, spoken or written, must be considered the truth. If this were not so, we could not confidently place responsibility for life, property, and the security of our civilization in the officer's hands in time of war.

This will constitute the policy of U.S. Army ROTC Big Red Battalion at the University of Nebraska Lincoln:

- The word and signature of any officer, noncommissioned officer or cadet should be accepted unquestioningly as the truth.
- Quibbling, evasive statements or technicalities in order to shield guilt or defeat or delay the ends of justice are dishonest.
- Falsifying any document, whether signed or unsigned, is a violation of the cadet honor code.
- If and when a violation of this trust can be established, the cadet committing a breach of trust of the honor code may be summoned before the PMS for counseling or other required action.

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT DURING ROTC FORMATIONS

The first thing to remember about your Military Science classes is that they are a military formation and, as such, all appropriate courtesies will be observed. Each MS instructor will establish his/her own requirements for classroom conduct, but as a minimum, cadets will remember to:

- Show respect at all times toward commissioned officers, noncommissioned officers, and all members of the Cadet Corps.

- Never quibble with an officer, NCO, or cadet officer regarding corrections made by them.
- Remember corrections are made for instructional purpose.
- Salute all commissioned officers and cadet officers, as prescribed.
- Comply with verbal instructions and orders or notices posted on bulletin boards.
- Be prompt in attendance for all ROTC formations.
- Bring required text or equipment to class and leadership labs.
- Submit written work on time.
- Stand at attention, or call attention, when appropriate.
- Be attentive during class, formations, PT sessions, and labs.
- If you are appointed as cadet in charge, maintain order at all times.

EXPECTATIONS OF ALL CADETS

- **Attitude.** Be positive and enthusiastic at all times - even when you are not. Soldiers will not follow “snivelers” and complainers, and certainly not quitters. Be mindful of your behavior first and foremost.
- **Honesty and Integrity.** Be honest to yourself, with each other, and with the cadre. Give complete, accurate, and timely responses to all questions and requirements. Quibbling, “sharpshooting”, or asking a baited question is not acceptable. Half-truths and holding back are unacceptable.
- **Chain of Command.** Generally, use your Cadet Chain of Command for all actions. This is a school environment. Hence, direct contact with a cadre member may be appropriate. Use your judgment and respond to the feedback you get from the cadre as the proper use of the Chain of Command. If in doubt, always use you Cadet Chain of Command first.
- **Attendance.** All Military Science classes are mandatory to include all labs and assigned FTX’s. Known absences should be coordinated with your classroom instructor or cadre advisor. Normally, excuses will be granted only for illness or participation in university sponsored functions. It is your responsibility to keep our cadre adviser and the Cadet Chain of Command informed of your whereabouts during ROTC classes or other military formations. A cadet who is absent from instruction will be held responsible for the instruction missed.
- **Physical Training (PT).** Battalion PT will be held at 0620 hrs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. All scholarship and contracted cadets are required to attend. All other cadets are **highly** encouraged to attend, attendance at PT is a bonus when applying for scholarships and applying for military schools.

Note: When in attendance at Leadership Labs, all cadets will be in the ACU uniform with cap.

Values

All soldiers, no matter what their rank, are followers as well as leaders. Whether you serve a single term of enlistment or make a career of the Army, you and your leaders are part of an institution whose purpose is to maintain our free and democratic society. To be a successful follower and a successful soldier, you need to understand and accept the four fundamental values that should underlie everything the Army does.



Loyalty: Bear true faith and allegiance to the U.S. Constitution, the Army, your unit, and other soldiers.

Duty: Fulfill your obligations.

Respect: Treat people as they should be treated.

Selfless-Service: Put the welfare of the nation, the Army, and your subordinates before your own.

Honor: Live up to all the Army values.

Integrity: Do what's right, legally and morally.

Personal Courage: Face Fear, danger, or adversity (Physical or Moral)