

## **CHAPTER 6 MILITARY SCHOLARSHIPS & TUITION ASSISTANCE**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Students not already on military scholarship may compete for scholarships during the January and March time-frame each year. Two and three year scholarships are available to qualified students. The Army Scholarship pays all tuition and fees, provides a lump sum for your to use towards books and supplies.

To be eligible to receive an Army ROTC Scholarship, students must meet the following requirements:

- be a US citizen
- be at least 17 years old
- be under 27 years of age on 30 June of the year eligible for commissioning
- be medically qualified
- be a full time student
- have an acceptable grade point average or other appropriate scholastic indicators.
- be physically qualified

### **SCHOLARSHIP CADETS**

Cadets who are presently on scholarship should familiarize themselves with the following procedures and information:

#### **University Fees:**

- Tuition and fees are paid up to the amount stated in your scholarship by bringing a copy of your class schedule to the cadet personnel technician who sends a list of scholarship recipients to the Business Office. The Business Office will then bill the ROTC Department and ultimately the US Army.
- Payment for repeating a course is not authorized. If you must retake a course, please advise the ROTC office and we will make arrangements for you to reimburse the cost.
- Auditing courses are not covered.

#### **Books, Supplies and Equipment:**

Each semester you will receive a lump sum payment to be used for the purchase of textbooks and supplies. Any unspent money is yours to keep and any expenses in excess of the lump sum will be borne by the individual cadet.

#### **Academics:**

- Scholarship cadets are required to take both the class and the ROTC lab.
- Scholarship cadets will participate in all field training exercises.
- Scholarship cadets must take a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester. Any variation must be approved by your ROTC Advisor and/or the Professor of Military Science and will not be granted

unless an extreme emergency exists.

- Professional development classes are required in written communication skills, human behavior and military history. Consult your advisor for specific classes that fulfill these requirements.
- To avoid scholarship probation or the loss of scholarship status you must maintain a GPA over 2.0 receive no subject failures, maintain a 2.0 average in ROTC and continue to progress toward a timely graduation date.
- 3-year Advanced Designees Scholarship (3 yr. ADS) winners must achieve a 2.0 GPA by the end of their first year and complete a minimum of 27 semester hours in order to receive scholarship benefits.

**Monthly Payment:** Cadets will receive scholarship pay checks once per month, the checks will be electronically transferred to the student's bank account on the first day of each month. Each month Freshman receive \$300, Sophomores \$350, Juniors \$450 and \$500 for Seniors

### **ARMY PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST (APFT) STANDARDS FOR SCHOLARSHIP CADETS**

- 4-year Scholarship cadets must achieve 180 points or better (60 % or better in each event) on their APFT before any scholarship benefits are paid.
- Green-to-Gold Scholarship winners and other former prior service cadets must pass the APFT at Army Standard; 180 points or better (60% or better in each event) before any scholarship benefits are paid.

### **SCHOLARSHIP PROBATION AND TERMINATION**

Each Army ROTC cadet receiving ROTC scholarship benefits must meet the following standards:

1. Maintain an academic cumulative GPA of 2.0
2. Pass all academic course
3. Maintain an ROTC semester and cumulative GPA of 3.0
4. Maintain a normal progression towards the baccalaureate degree as required for graduation at the scheduled time
5. Pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (see Annex B for standards)
6. Maintain body weight/body fat per cent within Cadet Command Standards

Army ROTC scholarship cadets who fail to meet the standards listed above will be placed on probation for the semester following the deficiency. Students on probation and their respective deans will be notified in writing. Failure to correct the identified deficiencies by the end of the probationary period will constitute a basis for termination of all Army scholarship benefits.

Failure in any Military Science course for any semester or a considerable deficiency in the quality of work in the ROTC core curriculum will constitute a basis for immediate termination of ROTC scholarship benefits without a period of probation.

### **DISENROLLMENT**

Contracted cadets will be disenrolled from the Army ROTC program under the following circumstances:

1. Withdrawal or expulsion from school
2. Medical disqualification

3. Failure to maintain a 2.0 GPA in academic or ROTC courses (scholarship students must maintain a 3.0 in ROTC courses)
4. Failure to maintain enrollment requirements
5. Failure to complete Advanced Camp
6. Discovery of a fact or condition that will bar a cadet from appointment as a commissioned officer
7. Misconduct, disrespect of authority, ineptitude, indifference, or lack of interest towards military service
8. Unethical conduct such as lying, cheating, or stealing, possession of illegal drugs, underage consumption of alcohol, conviction of felonious acts, failure to pay just debts, or other such acts that are a detriment to good order, morale and discipline of the cadet battalion.
9. Evading the terms of the Army ROTC Student Contract (CC Form 139-R)

**ARMY NATIONAL GUARD/U.S. ARMY RESERVE**

National Guardsmen and Reservists attending college can receive Tuition Assistance for full tuition and fees at the University of Nebraska as a benefit by serving in the Army National Guard or Army Reserve. Additionally they receive drill pay each month (180-320 dollars depending on rank, time in service and number of drill periods) and GI Bill money of \$317 per month.

**SIMULTANEOUS MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**

National Guardsmen and Reservists who wish to participate in ROTC and contract receive their drill pay as an E5 (\$311 for two day drill) as well as their GI Bill in addition to the GI Bill Kicker of \$350. SMP Cadets may commission onto Active Duty or remain in the Reserve Component.

**GUARANTEED RESERVE FORCES DUTY SCHOLARSHIP (GRFD)**

Those cadets who wish to be commissioned into the Army reserve or National Guard, may apply for a 2, 2.5, 3 year GRFD scholarship. GRFD pays \$350 GI Bill kicker and the Cadet retains the other benefits of SMP as well.

GRFD Scholarship will pay uncapped full tuition OR capped room and board (up to \$9,000 depending on area). Cadets receiving full tuition and fees (from in state National Guard Tuition Assistance) may accept the room and board scholarship and still receive their Tuition Assistance. Uncapped Tuition Assistance option is of benefit to graduate students or out of state students drilling in one state and attending college in another.

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