

NAVAL SCIENCE/NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (NROTC)

Program Description

The Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) trains qualified young men and women at the University Park campus for service as commissioned officers in the Navy, the Navy Nurse Corps, or the Marine Corps.

Freshmen entering may be accepted into Penn State NROTC either by receiving the NROTC National Scholarship (Scholarship Program (<https://www.netc.navy.mil/NSTC/NROTC/>)) or applying directly through Penn State NROTC to participate as a College Program student. The College Program freshmen may be eligible to compete for the Scholarship Program based upon their performance in the Unit to include up to a 3-year scholarship. Qualified sophomores, either in attendance or planning to commence studies at University Park Campus during their junior year, may compete for the special Two-Year College Program Advanced Standing or Two-Year Scholarship Programs. Navy, Nurse, and Marine Corps scholarships provide full tuition, book allotment, laboratory and instructional fees, and a \$250-\$400 per month subsistence allowance. In addition, Nurse scholarship students are issued special equipment required by the BSN curriculum.

Students who receive their baccalaureate degree and complete the NROTC program receive commissions as either Navy Ensigns or Marine Corps Second Lieutenants. After commissioning, these individuals are obligated to serve a minimum of four years on active duty, though these service obligations may vary dependent upon which warfare community the officer enters.

What is Naval Science?

Naval Science is a field of study that offers university students an introduction to the operations, technology and culture of the United States Navy and Marine Corps. Naval Science courses are available for all university students but are designed to operate in conjunction with the Pennsylvania State University NROTC program to provide professional development and service knowledge to perspective officers. Naval Science courses can also be utilized to fulfill prescribed course requirements for the Military Studies minor.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You are committed to serving your country as a Navy or Marine Corps officer upon graduation.
- You are pursuing or considering the Military Studies minor to deepen your understanding about Naval operations, technology, and culture as part of your preparation for a lifetime of service and leadership.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE NAVAL ROTC (<https://nrotc.psu.edu>)