What is it like being in Air Force R.O.T.C?

Being in Air Force R.O.T.C is a fun and challenging adventure. It will enhance your college career. You will make many new friends, and become part of the Detachment 785 family. You have the opportunity to travel, and go on trips such as base visits or to even different countries! You will still have plenty of time live a normal life, work, go to class, and hang out with friends.

Scholarship Opportunities

Air Force ROTC offers scholarships to high school seniors and college students based on the needs of the Air Force. Scholarships can cover tuition and fees, and provide a book stipend, as well as a monthly non-taxable allowance. High school seniors should apply early at www.afrotc.com. College students should contact the Detachment. Scholarship selection is based on GPA, SAT/ACT scores, and performance on the Physical Fitness test.
The Air Force Officer
In today’s environment, the Air Force has a high demand for college-graduate men and women to serve and lead. Air Force Officers serve in a whole host of occupational capacities to include: pilot, navigator, doctor, space operator, civil engineer, intelligence, lawyer, law enforcement, finance, scientific research and development, communications, and many more. If you have a desire to lead and are committed to excellence, you have what it takes to be an Air Force Officer!

Benefits of an Air Force Officer
- A challenging and rewarding career
- Chance to serve your country
- Tax-free housing and food allowances
- Low-cost life insurance
- Medical and dental coverage
- 30 days of leave with pay each year
- Tax-free on-base shopping
- Wide variety of recreational facilities

What is Air Force R.O.T.C.?
Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (R.O.T.C.) is an educational program that allows men and women to pursue a commission in the United States Air Force, while also obtaining a college degree. The purpose of Air Force ROTC is to develop individuals so they can serve as quality leaders and officers in tomorrow’s Air Force. The Air Force ROTC program is open to all college students, regardless of major or academic year. There are three primary activities:
1. Aerospace classes
2. Leadership Laboratory
3. Physical Training

Four Year Program
Air Force ROTC cadets fall into one of two categories, GMC (General Military Course) or POC (Professional Officer’s Course). Your first two years, as a GMC, you have the opportunity to try out Air Force ROTC without any commitment to the Air Force. During these initial two years, you will learn basic concepts of the Air Force and the military in general. During the summer between Sophomore and Junior year, cadets have the opportunity to attend Field Training. Completion of Field Training is a requirement for entry into the POC. As a POC, you will begin to lead the Detachment, and receive more specialized officer training.

Leadership Laboratory
As an Air Force ROTC cadet, you will spend one class period each week putting into practice the leadership skills and management theory acquired in class. Leadership Laboratory is each year, and is a cadet-managed program that focuses on Air Force customs and courtesies.

How Do I Enroll?
To enroll, you only need to register for Air Force ROTC classes, along with your regular classes.

Cross-town Schools
You can attend Air Force ROTC even if you do not attend the University of Memphis! Air Force ROTC is available through these schools in the Memphis area:
⇒ Rhodes College
⇒ Christian Brothers University
⇒ Lemoyne-Owen College

Field Training
Field Training is rigorous 28-day program to evaluate your potential as an officer. Cadets will be paid a daily wage, and all travel expenses are covered. You will receive career orientation, professional development training, aircraft orientation, physical fitness training, survival training, and weapons indoctrination.

Questions?
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