**MILITARY STUDIES**

**ARMY RESERVE OFFICER’S TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) PROGRAM**

The Army ROTC program offers men and women the opportunity to develop leadership and management skills that can lead to commission as an officer at the rank of second lieutenant in the United States Army, Army Reserve, or Army National Guard. Instruction focuses on leadership, problem-solving, decision-making, ethics, and military doctrine. Students complete individual and group exercises and assignments in classroom and field environments, and are encouraged to participate in numerous military training opportunities including Mountain Warfare School; Airborne School; Air Assault School; and the Cultural Understanding and Language Program (with numerous worldwide countries).

**Department Course Offerings**

The four-year Military Studies program at UVM consists of a two-year Basic Course (first & second years) and a two-year Advanced Course (third & fourth years). A fully funded 30-day Basic Camp conducted at Fort Knox, Kentucky is offered as an alternative to the first two years of study, and meets all prerequisites for students wishing to start ROTC at the end of their sophomore year. The department conducts military physical training classes three days a week with all cadets as a faculty-run, cadet-led activity.

**Interdepartmental Course Offerings**

The Military Studies department also offers a one-credit fitness course on behalf of the UVM Department of Physical Education. PEAC 017 Military Fitness exposes students to the fitness methodologies implemented by the U.S. Army. Students do not need to participate in ROTC to take this course. The PEAC course incurs no military obligation.

**ARMY ROTC SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID**

Scholarships: Two, three, and four-year Army ROTC scholarships paying full tuition and fees, and $1,200 a year for books are available to qualified applicants. Application for the four-year Army ROTC scholarship is made during the high school senior year by applying to the Army via: http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.html. All other Army ROTC scholarship applications are made through the department.

Financial Aid: Contracted sophomore, junior, and senior ROTC students can earn up to $6,300 a year through the simultaneous membership program (SMP), which involves participation in the Army National Guard or Army Reserves. All contracted cadets receive a monthly ROTC stipend. The stipend is $300/month for first-year; $350/month for sophomore; $450/month for juniors; and $500/month for seniors.