

Western Kentucky University
College of Educational and Behavioral Sciences
Department of Military Science
Course Syllabus

Course Number: Military Science 201 Office Phone: 745-4293

Semester Hours Credit: 3

Classroom: DA

Course Title: Basic Leadership

Course Description: This course is for those students who are considering the military profession and obtaining an Army Commission. It will prepare a cadet to become an effective small unit leader.

Course Objectives: The main objectives of this course are to enable the student to:

- Understand the basic leadership fundamentals
- Learn basic map reading and land navigation skills
- How to build teams, how to influence others, and how to communicate in the team
- Provide students the opportunity to apply, practice and experience leadership principles

Textbooks: All textbooks and course material or equipment will be provided by the department.

Attendance and Assignments: Regular class attendance is required to master the material in the class. Any unexcused absence will result in points being deducted from final grade. Cadets are expected to read and study any homework assigned by the instructor or in the syllabus. Each cadet will be involved as primary instructor or as a team member for selected training assignments as a graded event

Mandatory Events:

Leadership Labs: All MS-II cadets attend the 2-hour Friday leadership labs (in uniform).

Color Guard: All contracted / scholarship cadets will be scheduled to participate in the color guard. The schedule will be posted by the battalion chain of command.

Counseling: Cadets are counseled by instructor at least twice a semester, and cadets should update their 104R or academic degree completion plan at that time.

Mandatory Training: Contracted and scholarship cadets are required to attend: 1) the Field Training Exercise (FTX), 2) the Social event, 3) and the Land Navigation training.

Physical Training: Physical Readiness training is conducted three (3) times per week, on M/W/ TH from 0700-0815. Non-contracted students are encouraged to attend on a regular basis and extra points will be given to all that attend. Contracted or scholarship cadets are expected to attend PT training and one point will be taken from final grade for every unexcused absence.

Uniform: Physical Fitness Training will be conducted in the Army Physical Training Uniform. Military Leadership Labs will consist of the Battle Dress Uniform and other TA-50 Equipment as directed by event. Course Weight:

APFT score: 10 points

Quizzes (4 each) 40 points

Class assignments 30 points

Exams 20 points

The following is the point breakdown for each letter grade:

Total Points Earned Grade

90-100 A

80-89 B

70-79 C

60-69 D

59 or less F

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