

An *Army leader* is anyone who by virtue of assumed role or assigned responsibility inspires and influences people to accomplish organizational goals. Army leaders motivate people both inside and outside the chain of command to pursue actions, focus thinking and shape decisions for the greater good of the organization. ADP 6-22 Army Leadership

Army ROTC is an elective curriculum you take along with your required nursing classes. It prepares you with the tools, training and experiences that will help you succeed in any healthcare environment. Along with great leadership training, Army ROTC can pay for your college tuition, too, provided you meet certain requirements. You will have a normal college student experience like everyone else on campus, but when you graduate, you will be an Officer in the United States Army, Army National Guard, or Army Reserves.

Army ROTC prepares nursing students to take on the role of clinical staff nurses in any of our various Army Medical Centers. You will fulfill your passion for healthcare by caring for our nation's soldiers and their families. Through this rewarding college experience, nursing cadets gain valuable leadership training, making them competitive against their college peers. The experiences that students have in the Army ROTC will provide them with a foundation to become commissioned Army Officers upon graduation. Upon completion of the Army ROTC program, graduates will be commissioned as Second Lieutenants in the United States Army, Army National Guard, or Army Reserves and will embark on specialized training as Army nurses.

Army ROTC is one of the Nation's top leadership programs, with many benefits to joining. Through Army ROTC you can:

- Get help with your college tuition with an Army ROTC scholarship (All Army ROTC scholarships cover full tuition and fees and SLU offers a room/board award up to the cost of a double-room in Griesediek Hall)
- Gain experience you can't find anywhere else
- Gain the respect of your peers and future employers
- Train to become a leader and manager

Army ROTC Cadets gain valuable experience that will help them excel in college and beyond. Being an Officer in the United States Army, Army National Guard, or Army Reserves means you're a leader, a counselor, a strategist and a motivator. It's similar to being a vital manager in a corporation. As an Officer, you lead by example and you will lead other Soldiers in all situations and adjust in environments that are always changing.

Army ROTC freshmen and sophomore classes as well as our physical fitness activities are conveniently taught on Saint Louis University. For more information please contact Mr. Lee E. Rodriguez at (314) 935-5521, rodriguezle@slu.edu or ArmyROTC@slu.edu







Army Nurse Corps United States Army ROTC Program

The Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) provides an opportunity for college nursing students to receive practical, hands-on leadership experience. The courses provide a chance for students to develop management, communication and decision-making skills in a non-threatening environment. Physical training and confidence building activities (i.e. rappelling, obstacles courses) also provide a chance for students to be physically and mentally challenged.

Students who are interested in obtaining a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) may enroll in ROTC. Students may enroll as freshman, sophomores, or as late as an entering college juniors. Upon completion of the program, students obtain nursing experience as commissioned officers in the United States Army.

Financial Benefits

Scholarship Students: 2, 3, and 4 year scholarships are available to nursing students. All Scholarships provide:

- > Full Tuition
- ➤ Books: 1,200 per year
- > Graduated Stipend (Freshmen-Seniors, \$420 per month; tax free, during the school year)
- > SLU offers a room/board award up to the cost of a double-room in Griesediek Hall)

Additional Nurse Benefits:

- ➤ NCLEX-RN review course fee paid
- > NCLEX-RN exam fee paid
- Nursing supplies/uniforms/stethoscope (\$650.00 flat rate total)

Criteria for Scholarships:

- United States Citizenship
- ➤ Be between ages of 17 and 26
- ➤ High School Graduate with a minimum GPA of 2.50
- ➤ Have a high school diploma or equivalent
- ➤ Minimum SAT of 920 or ACT of 19
- > Physically fit and medically qualified
- Agree to accept a commission and serve in the Army on Active Duty or in a Reserve Component (Army Reserve or National Guard)

Non-Scholarship Students: Students can participate in ROTC without a scholarship and will receive a stipend for the academic year during their junior and senior year.

Nurse Summer Training Program (NSTP)

NSTP is an optional clinical elective conducted the summer between your junior and senior year. Over 10 hospitals in the United States, Germany, and Hawaii are NSTP sites. During NSTP you will be introduced to the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of a new officer in the Army Nurse Corps. NSTP provides progressive experience and leadership opportunities in a clinical setting while working side by side with an Army Nurse.



Educational Benefits

Upon completion of your degree requirements, you will spend 2-4 years gaining a foundation in safe nursing practice. After this time, you may apply for fully-funded graduate school. The Army will pay your tuition, give you up to 24 months to complete your program (as a full time student) and pay your salary during this time. Graduate level student is open to Nurse Anesthesia, Nurse Midwifery, Family Nurse Practitioner, Healthcare Administration, Informatics, ad host of Clinical Nurse Specialist fields.

Service Obligation

Scholarship Recipients: Your total service obligation will be eight years. Nurse Officers can either choose to serve on active duty, or in the Army Reserves or National Guard. Those who serve on active duty can either serve their whole eight year commitment on active duty, or a combination of four years active duty and four years in the Army Reserves or the Individual Ready Reserve. Those who serve in the Army Reserves or National Guard must serve six years, after which time they may finish their other two year commitment in the same unit, or switch to the Individual Ready Reserves.

Non-Scholarship Recipients: Your total service obligation will also be eight years, but the active duty commitment is only three years. At the completion of the first three years, you may elect to continue on active duty or enter the Army Reserves for the remaining five years.

For more information or questions regarding ROTC and nursing in the United States Army, please contact our Gateway Battalion Enrollment Officer.

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Army Nursing- The ROTC Edge

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Graduate Education Opportunities

Two- year ROTC Nursing scholarships are available for Registered Nurses obtaining a graduate degree in specific nursing specialties and for second degree students, with no nursing background, in an entry-level program that awards a master of science in nursing (MSN). To obtain information about the approved areas of study and ROTC opportunities, contact our Army ROTC Enrollment Officer or one of our two Nurse Gold Bar Recruiters.

Specialized Nursing Opportunities

Earning your BSN is an achievement for which you can be proud. Since nursing is a dynamic profession, your skills and professional knowledge must be constantly updated. The Army Nurse Corps is committed to providing opportunities that will enhance your abilities interests, and knowledge as an Army Nurse, you may apply for specialty courses such as:

Critical Care Nursing/Emergency Nursing Course: The Critical Care Course and the Emergency Nursing Courses are 18 weeks and consist of 2 phases. Phase I is the self-paced online Essentials of Critical Care Orientation (ECCO) course. Phase II for both of these courses is a traditional 14 week resident course consisting of a mix of didactic and clinical learning. Official seating and notification of a specific course date is done approximately 4 months prior to Phase II. Officers begin Phase I after selection and enrollment into a Phase II course. There are 4 courses offered per year. Phase II: Critical Care Location: San Antonio Army Medical Center, Ft. Sam Houston (SAAMC)

<u>Preoperative Nursing</u>: This 16-week course is designed to prepare nurses to function as entry-level staff nurses in the perioperative environment utilizing the nursing process. Course itself is presented through lectures, conferences, discussions, practical exercises, examinations, literature review and clinical practicum. The course is offered at Madigan Army Medical Center, Joint Base Lewis-McCord WA (MAMC) or William Beaumont Army Medical Center, Ft. Bliss (WBAMC)

<u>Obstetrical and Gynecological Nursing</u>: This 16-week course combines an intense eight-week didactic component with eight weeks of clinical practicum in all functional areas of women's health and newborn nursing care. Course instruction is presented through lectures, conferences, discussion, practical exercises, examinations, and independent learning activities. Didactic instruction is provided by functional area experts including certified nurse midwives and practitioners, neonatologists, perinatologists, clinical and supervisory. This course is offered at Darnell Army Medical Center, Ft. Hood (DAMC).

<u>Psychiatric & Mental Health Nursing</u>: This 16-week course prepares Nurses (RNs) with the knowledge base and the clinical skills to deliver entry level nursing care and treatment to psychiatric patients within the TO&E and TDA hospital setting. The course is located at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Washington DC (WRNMMC).

<u>Preventive Medicine (Community Health Nursing</u>): This 9-week course is designed to provide Army Medical Department (AMEDD) officers with the skills and knowledge to function in preventive medicine specialty areas at an entry level. Course content includes the following areas: community health practices, communicable and infectious diseases, operational preventive medicine, epidemiology, statistics, medical entomology, industrial hygiene, health physics, sanitary engineering, and environmental science. This course is offered at AMEDD C&S, Fort Sam Houston, TX.

ARMY NURSING

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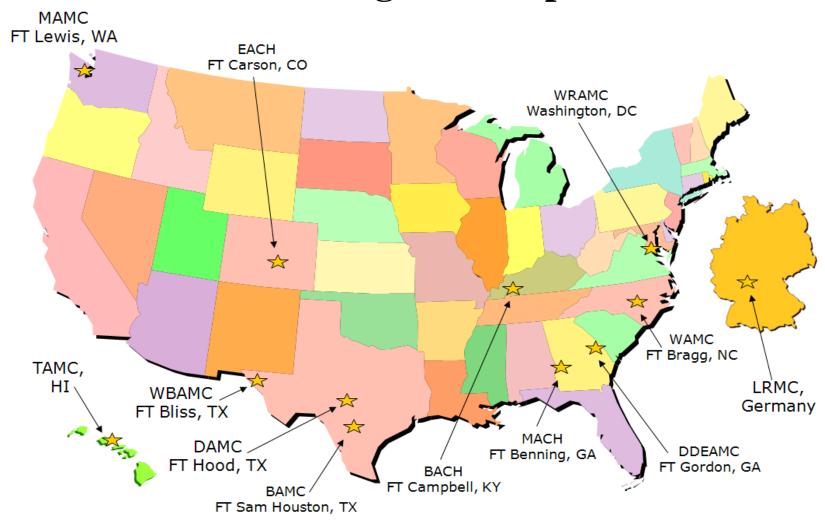
ARMY NURSE vs. CIVILIAN PROFESSIONAL

Army RN salary including housing & subsistence allowance based on 2019 salaries: Starting (O-1): \$56,211 Promotion 2 years (O-2): \$68,851 Promotion 4 years (O-3): \$91,633 Civilian average starting salary for RN's in the St. Louis Area: \$42,757-\$60,049 (payscale.com)

<u>CIVILIAN JOB</u> Two weeks a year	VACATION	<u>U.S.ARMY</u> 30 paid vacation days per year
Employer dependent	MEDICAL CARE	Furnished
Employer dependent	SICK LEAVE	Unlimited, with full pay
Employer dependent	DENTAL CARE	Furnished
At own expense	VACATION TRAVEL	Free on military flights
At own expense	RECREATION	Officer's clubs, golf courses, movies, bowling alley at reduced rates. Many people of similar age and educational backgrounds
At own expense	EDUCATION	All tuition paid PS programs. 100% tuition reimbursement for part-time school
Social Security at age 62	RETIREMENT	20 year retirement, 50% of base salary at time of Retirement, 30 year 75% of base salary plus SS at age 65
Employer Dependent	ADVANCEMENT	Regular promotions, 24 months or less, CPT in 2 more years, automatic longevity raises every 2 years
Civilian Store	SHOPPING	Up to 20% savings on prices at post exchange (dept store) and 25% savings at commissary prices (groceries)
At own expense	TRAVEL ALLOWANCE BETWEEN DUTY STATIONS	All household good and furniture moved at government expense. Plane fare, mileage if you do it yourself



ROTC 2LT FY 2019 Army Nurse Corps Initial Assignment Options



Special Thanks...



(Back Row: Adrienne Zammito, Geralyn Meyer, Kathleen Armstrong, 2LT Katherine Wilkerson, Dean Terry Murray, and Associate Dean Joanne Langan. Front Row: 2LT Larissa Masching, 2LT Shelby Aleksick, Judy Carlson, and Vicki Moran)

Gateway Battalion Army ROTC was honored to have seven Saint Louis University School of Nursing faculty and staff attend the Battalion's 97th Commissioning Ceremony. At this ceremony three SLU nurses were commissioned into the Army Nurse Corps. Many thanks to these individuals for their continuous support of Army ROTC at Saint Louis University!