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The Army ROTC Learning Community (RLC) is a great program designed to get you involved with peers who share similar interests. If you haven't already enrolled in the community, it's never too late! Even if you're not interested in joining the RLC, but would just like to take our class to find out more about Army ROTC, you can register for one of our classes at PreCollege. We have many entry points into our curriculum and we will work with you to find the one that's right for you.

The RLC was created to help incoming freshman better adapt and succeed in the college environment. Studies have shown that students who participate in learning communities perform better in academics and have higher retention rates. The RLC places first year cadets in similar course schedules and dormitories and provides a support network to assimilate into college life. RLC students will have a peer mentor and resident assistant who is also an Army ROTC Cadet. The peer mentor and resident assistant plan events throughout the year such as intramural teams, professional development opportunities and activities like paintball.

The peer mentor for the 2008-2009 academic year is Cadet Ian Roth, a second year aviation major who is excited to have the opportunity to work with you. His e-mail address is [ir119306@ohio.edu](mailto:ir119306@ohio.edu). Feel free to contact Cadet Roth to answer any questions you might have about Army ROTC or Ohio University.

Our elective courses are fun, interesting and practical. They are also a great way to earn credit hours and meet new friends. We will provide you with the tools and guidance you need to develop your leadership skills. You can take our 100 and 200-level classes with no obligation to the military. If you've ever had any interest in the military and want to know more about it, take our courses. You'll gain an understanding of the military, how it's organized and what it's all about – important information to have, especially in the world climate we have today.

Some of the things you'll learn and do in our 100 and 200-level courses:

**100 level:**

- Army customs and traditions
- Military operations and tactics
- Adventure and confidence building

**200 level:**

- Applied leadership theory
- Principles of war
- Rappelling
- Confidence courses (high ropes)

Our program continuously ranks among the nation's top Army ROTC programs. We rank fourth nationally out of more than 270 colleges and universities for our percentage of Distinguished Military Graduates. For six consecutive years, Ohio University Army ROTC Cadets have exceeded Cadet Command and 7<sup>th</sup> Brigade Eastern Region (Ohio and Kentucky Schools) averages in every training event at Warrior Forge, ROTC's summer training course. Our cadets are consistently ranked in the top percentiles among their peers nationwide and, because of this, are afforded many training opportunities, including Airborne School, Air Assault School and various academic and military internships with Army organizations around the world.

If you have any questions regarding this information, Army ROTC or Ohio University, please contact MAJ Mark Dean at (740) 593-1423 or [deanm@ohio.edu](mailto:deanm@ohio.edu).

We look forward to you joining our team!

Sincerely,

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