

## MILITARY SCIENCE (MSC)

### Requirements for the Military Science Minor

A Minor in Military Science is offered through Marion Military Institute and consists of the following 20 hours:

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| MSC 101  | Introduction to the Army and Critical Thinking    | (1 hour)  |
| MSC 102  | Adaptive Leadership and Professional Competence   | (1 hour)  |
| MSC 201  | Leadership and Decision Making                    | (2 hours) |
| MSC 201L | Basic Leadership Lab I                            | (0 hours) |
| MSC 202  | Army Doctrine and Team Development                | (2 hours) |
| MSC 202L | Advanced Leadership Lab II                        | (0 hours) |
| MSC 301  | Training Management and the Warfighting Functions | (3 hours) |
| MSC 301L | Advanced Leadership Lab I                         | (0 hours) |
| MSC 302  | Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations       | (3 hours) |
| MSC 302L | Advanced Leadership Lab II                        | (0 hours) |
| MSC 303  | Military History                                  | (3 hours) |
| MSC 401  | The Army Officer                                  | (3 hours) |
| MSC 401L | Advanced Leadership Lab III                       | (0 hours) |
| MSC 402  | Company Grade Leadership                          | (3 hours) |
| MSC 402L | Advanced Leadership Lab IV                        | (0 hours) |
- B. ROTC Camp

**NOTE:** For details concerning ROTC eligibility and scholarships contact the Dept. of Military Science, Marion Military Institute, Marion, AL 36756. Cadets can receive credit for MSC 101, 102, 201, and 202, by attending ROTC Basic Camp the summer prior to their junior year.

### Course Descriptions

#### **MSC 101 INTRODUCTION TO THE ARMY AND CRITICAL THINKING: 1 hour**

An introduction to personal challenges and competencies critical for effective leadership, goal setting, stress management, and comprehensive fitness as it relates to the Army profession. It includes Army Physical

Readiness Training. Students in this course have no obligation for military service. This course involves instruction on the Army Physical Fitness Program and is equivalent to a college level Physical Education course. It will satisfy the Activity requirement under Goal VI of the General Education Curriculum.

**MSC 102                    ADAPTIVE LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL  
COMPETENCE: 1 hour**

An overview of the fundamentals of adaptive leadership. Students explore the communication process and demonstrate effective communication skills to include the Army writing style and military briefing techniques. Students will examine the five essential characteristics of the profession of arms. It includes Army Physical Readiness Training. Students in this course have no obligation for military service.

*Prerequisite: MSC 101 or approval from the Professor of Military Science*

**MSC 201                    LEADERSHIP AND DECISION-MAKING: 2 hours**

Students explore the dimensions of creative and innovative tactical leadership strategies by examining team dynamics and historical leadership theories that form the basis of the Army leadership framework. Students demonstrate motivation and team building through planning, executing and assessing team exercises. Includes Army Physical Readiness Training and a Leadership Lab.

*Prerequisite: MSC 102 or approval from the Professor of Military Science*

*Co-requisite: MSC 201L*

**MSC 201                    BASIC LEADERSHIP LAB I: 0 hours**

*Co-Requisite: MSC 201*

**MSC 202                    ARMY DOCTRINE AND TEAM DEVELOPMENT: 2 hours**

Students examine the challenges of leading teams in the complex operational environment through terrain analysis, patrolling g, and operation orders. Further study of the theoretical basis of the Army Leadership Requirement Model explores the dynamics of team leadership in the context of military operations. Includes Army Physical Readiness Training and a Leadership Lab.

*Prerequisite: MSC 201 or approval from the Professor of Military Science*

*Co-requisite: MSC 202L*

**MSC 202L            ADVANCED LEADERSHIP LAB II: 0 hours**

*Co-requisite: MSC 202*

**MSC 301            TRAINING MANAGEMENT AND THE WARFIGHTING  
FUNCTIONS: 3 hours**

An overview of the process used to plan, prepare, execute and assess Army training events. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the Five (5) Warfighting Functions and how each relates to the Army Operational Concept of Unified Land Operations and Decisive Action. It includes Army Physical Readiness Training.

*Prerequisite: Approval from the Professor of Military Science*

*Co-requisite: MSC 301L*

**MSC 301L            ADVANCED LEADERSHIP LAB I: 0 hours**

*Co-requisite: MSC 301*

**MSC 302            APPLIED LEADERSHIP IN SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS:  
3 hours**

Students will apply the fundamentals of Army Leadership, Officership, Army Values and Ethics, Personal Development, and small unit tactics at the platoon level. Students will demonstrate the ability to plan, coordinate, navigate, motivate and lead a platoon in the execution of a mission. It includes Army Physical Readiness Training.

*Prerequisite: MSC 301 and approval of the Professor of Military Science*

*Co-requisite: MSC 302L*

**MSC 302L            ADVANCED LEADERSHIP LAB II: 0 hours**

*Co-requisite: MSC 302*

**MSC 303            MILITARY HISTORY: 3 hours**

The course gives an in-depth historical perspective and study to decisions made by American military leaders from Colonial times to the Present. It examines in detail the battles fought throughout the period and examines the military decisions made both on and off the field of battle. (*Cross-listed with HIS 303*)

**MSC 401 THE ARMY OFFICER: 3 hours**

An advanced course wherein students refine their leadership skills as they transition to Officership. Students will utilize Mission Command and case studies to demonstrate an understanding of the complex ethical demands of serving as a commissioned officer in the United States Army. It includes Army Physical Readiness Training.

*Prerequisite: MSC 302 and approval of the Professor of Military Science*

*Co-requisite: MSC 404L*

**MSC 401L Advanced Leadership Lab III: 0 hours**

*Co-requisite: MSC 401*

**MSC 402 COMPANY GRADE LEADERSHIP: 3 hours**

This capstone course is the culmination of a progressive, challenging developmental leadership experiences. Students demonstrate their ability to perform the duties and responsibilities of a commissioned officer and prepare for their integration into the U.S. Army. It includes Army Physical Readiness Training.

*Prerequisite: MSC 401 and approval of the Professor of Military Science*

*Co-requisite: MSC 402L*

**MSC 402L ADVANCED LEADERSHIP LAB IV: 0 hours**

*Co-requisite of MSC 402*