

## Academic Credit for Military Service

Rutgers University specifically recognizes and respects those students who have served their country in for military service. In accordance with U.S. Army Regulation 145-1, Chapter 5, paragraph 5, Rutgers allows for academic credit to be given in Military Science for students who have completed Basic Training in any branch of the Armed Forces. The six (6) academic credits are for the Basic Course (MS I and MS II) in the Army ROTC program. The credits are requested by the Chair of the Department of Military Science--Army ROTC to the Transfer Dean, to be placed on the student's transcript as transfer credits. If any portion of the ROTC Basic Course has already been completed by the student, only the remaining credits will be requested for the courses not taken.

The usual verification for prior military experience is the DD 214 Release from Active Duty document. Any other military documents will be reviewed by the Professor of Military Science (chair of the department).

The U.S. Army does not allow for multiple numbers of years in military service, nor specific training in military occupational specialties or schools to count towards any portion of the Advanced Course of Army ROTC (the MS III and MS IV years). The U.S. Army does not allow for the transfer of MS III or MS IV from one commissioning program to another.

If an undergraduate transfer student has already commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army through another commissioning program, such through the junior military colleges, Army ROTC will request that all of his/her Army ROTC credits be applied to his/her Rutgers transcript as transfer credits. The Army regulation does not allow for OCS candidates to receive college credits in ROTC above the level of MS I and II.

Students may have their military service transcripts (such as the ACE) reviewed by the respective academic department in which they hope to receive transfer credit. Transfer credit may be awarded only for Army courses which have a direct correlation to courses in the Rutgers Course Catalog, such as training in journalism and computer science.

For further information, and to request academic credit for prior military experience, please contact the Department of Military Science – Army ROTC. The point of contact for this matter is Gail Lawrence, secretary, at 732-932-7313, x. 10, or [gailawr@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:gailawr@rci.rutgers.edu).