

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Army ROTC scholarship program is designed to provide assistance to outstanding cadets. The Department of the Army annually awards scholarships of two, three, and four years in length to students who apply and meet the academic and medical qualifications. Scholarships pay for books (\$300 per semester), \$8,000 or 80% of your tuition and mandatory fees (which ever is higher), and a subsistence of up to \$350 a month, for the ten months you are in school, to do with how ever you please. At UT-Martin, if you are on scholarship, you can compete for a dorm room, typically awarded to the top ten scholarship cadets in the ROTC program.

Four Year Scholarship - Are awarded on a worldwide competitive basis to U.S. citizens who will be entering college as freshmen. Recipients of these awards must enroll at a university with Army ROTC.

Three Year Scholarship - Are awarded competitively to students who enrolled in ROTC or are eligible for advanced placement in the ROTC program as well as those qualified students who are not enrolled in ROTC at the time of application. Interested students should apply at the beginning of the second semester of their freshman year of college. Applications and college transcripts will be reviewed, and applicants will undergo a medical examination, the Physical Aptitude Examination and an interview before an Institutional Nomination Board. Applications can be acquired from the recruiting operations officer.

Two Year Scholarship - Are awarded on a competitive basis to qualified students who have completed the Basic course or have credit as a result of prior service.

Leader's Training Course - Students without Basic Course credit may attend this course and compete for a two year scholarship at this five week camp usually held at Ft. Knox KY. during the summer before your Junior year of college. The University will award camp graduates who contract a \$300 scholarship.

Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship - Two year scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to qualified students who desire to serve their obligated service in the Army National Guard or United States Army Reserve after graduation. College Sophomores can pick up an application from the [Recruiting Operation Officer](#).

Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) - The SMP is a voluntary officer training program designed to increase the number of officers entering the National Guard and Army Reserve from the ROTC program. A SMP cadet is a member of the ROTC program and the National Guard or Army Reserve simultaneously. The cadet attends drill with his unit, and is assigned as a

cadet officer trainee. At the same time, the cadet attends Military Science courses. Cadets with a two year Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship are required to participate in the SMP program. The Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship winner receives both the scholarship benefits and the SMP benefits. Non-scholarship Advanced Course cadets may also participate in the SMP program.

SMP Cadets are entitled to the following benefits:

1. **\$400 per month** subsistence pay for ten months for Seniors.
2. **\$350 per month** subsistence pay for ten months for Juniors.
3. All ROTC uniforms and equipment at no cost.
4. Drill pay at the E-5 rate, regardless of prior rank.

SMP Cadets that have attended either basic training or basic training and AIT may also qualify for:

5. Educational benefits from the G.I. Bill and G.I. Bill Kicker
6. Non-scholarship SMP students can receive Tuition Assistance from the ACES (Army College Education Service) program.

Miscellaneous Scholarships and Incentives:

1. Dorm room scholarships are available to the top ROTC scholarship winners.
2. Those who qualify with an ACT score of 25, or higher, and a high school GPA of 3.5, or higher, may receive board scholarships; available to 4-year scholarship winners.
3. Five guaranteed positions in the clinical nursing program for 3yr or 4yr ROTC scholarship winners.
4. Three \$500 Weems scholarships available to MSIII cadets with a strong GPA in the university and ROTC.
5. The COL(R) Tom Elam Scholarship, a minimum of \$750, is awarded by the alumni association to a contracted cadet.
6. \$1000 Leaders-in-residence scholarships are awarded to incoming freshman enrolled in Military Science. You must have a minimum 19 ACT to be eligible. You Must Participate in a special leadership training development program during your first semester at UT-Martin.

7. A \$300 Scholarship for students who complete the Leader's Training Course and contract into the ROTC program.

8. The \$1,000 Col. Jerry Bussell ROTC Scholarship is awarded to one cadet from the ROTC program. \$500 is awarded in the spring, and \$500 is awarded in the fall.