

CREDIT FOR MILITARY SCHOOLING

Seattle University Guidelines

Credit granted by Seattle University gives students academic credit for equivalent education in the military service. The *Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services* is used as the reference for determining acceptance for military schooling and experience. The *Guide* contains course descriptions for armed services courses and a recommendation on the granting of academic credit for each course.

Credit recommended in the *Guide* as "lower division baccalaureate/associate degree" falls within the 90 credit limit for lower division credit. The maximum number of credits will be awarded based on the following criteria:

1. standard transferability of a similar course from a accredited institution*;
2. the number of electives allowed in the student's degree program and;
3. the appropriate relation of the training to the degree pursued. Military schooling from a Joint Services transcript or a DD214 may also be evaluated by the student's major department or program for determining transferability of credit.

*see Transfer Credit Policy 77-1

Credit recommended in the *Guide* as "lower division baccalaureate/associate degree" falls within the 90 credit limit for lower division credit. A veteran who has completed a significant amount of college coursework in addition to military schooling may reach the 90 credit limit. A maximum of four quarter credits will be granted for military basic training: 2 credits for PE and 2 for health and first aid training.

Credit for active military service may also be granted to students seeking an army officer's commission through the Army ROTC program. The professor of military science (PMS) reserves the option to grant credit for any Military Science I and II level courses but it is not considered residential credit. The branch of service, individual experience and need for advanced military science standing contribute to the PMS's consideration. This option provides advanced military science standing and academic credit for military service. The purpose is to align cadet military science requirements and commissioning with the university requirements for degree completion. Any advanced military science standing and academic credit for military science courses is subject to review and approval by the professor of military science.

Procedure

A Joint Services transcript should be submitted with the admission application and other official transcripts. Proof of completion of military courses, experience and discharge is also available with the DD214. An applicant/ student still on active service should submit official documents of completion, such as diplomas and/or orders awarding program completion credit. These documents for veterans and active personnel must contain full course name, location and length of course, dates

of attendance and identify the service which offered the course. All petitions for credit are subject to the approval of the student's department/program chair. There is no charge for awarding this credit and it is not considered residential credit.

Transfer Credit

Students transferring from other college or university Army, Air Force and Navy ROTC programs are allowed elective credit toward graduation for ROTC courses so long as credit toward graduation was awarded by the transfer institution and courses fall within normal transfer guidelines. Advance standing in Army ROTC courses at Seattle University is determined by the professor of military science.

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See Policy #75-17 for information on credit granted by Seattle University as a result of particular scores in DANTES examinations.

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