1. **Course Description:**

MSL101 focuses on introduction to the Army and basic Soldier skills. It introduces Cadets to the Army and the Profession of Arms. Students will examine the Army Profession and what it means to be a professional in the U.S. Army. The overall focus is on developing basic knowledge and comprehension of the Army Leadership Requirements Model while gaining a complete understanding of the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) program, its purpose in the Army, and its advantages for the student. Cadets also learn to perform basic Soldier skills to survive in a field environment to support their development as an Army leader. Included is a weekly lab facilitated by MSL III Cadets, supervised by MSL IV’s and cadre.

2. **Course Design:**

This class will be conducted in an interactive manner. Everyone will be responsible for contributing to the success of the learning experience. Lectures will be brief and interactive. You will have extensive small group discussions and exercises scattered throughout the class. Time will be given in class to discuss and work on projects and papers. You are encouraged to work together with the instructor in modifying assignments, suggesting agenda, and raising questions for discussion.

**Physical Training (PT)**

All non-contracted cadets or students interested in contracting within the ROTC program are **STRONGLY** encouraged to attend physical training. Students can receive academic credit for physical training by registering for Kinesiology 200.017. KIN 200.17 provides students a foundation in physical fitness topics and team development skills. Course subjects include components of physical fitness and exercise. Exercises emphasize flexibility, muscular endurance and cardiovascular fitness. Students in the course will participate alongside
cadets in the physical training activities of the United States Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at SFA.

3. **Uniforms**

The Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) Uniform will be issued to cadets that expresses interests in contracting. Appropriate conservative civilian attire will be worn by all enrolled cadets, until proper uniform has been issued by the cadet supply personnel.

All uniforms and equipment (with the exception of SMP Cadets) are furnished by the Military Science Department. All uniforms and equipment must be returned at the conclusion of the course. All Cadets will comply with AR 670-1 (Wear and Appearance of Army Uniform) and the Cadet Handbook for grooming standards and proper wear of the uniform.

4. **Course Requirements:**

   **Class participation**
   You are expected to participate actively in learning through critical reflection, inquiry, dialogue, and group interactions. This includes participating in class discussion, sharing personal perspectives and experiences related to principles discussed in class or readings, and working with fellow students to engage in class and lab exercises.

   **Quizzes and Practical Exercises**
   The class is interactive and uses homework and in-class assignments to evaluate learning. You will be given quizzes and practical exercises to evaluate your learning.

   **Mid-Term Exam**
   A mid-term exam will be given to test the levels of learning achieved by students in the first half of the course.

   **Final Exam**
   A cumulative final exam will be given to test the levels of learning achieved by students throughout the course of the semester.

   **Homework/Project Assignments**
   In addition to reading assignments, you have the following key homework assignments that are graded:

   1) **Presentation** - You will have a ten minutes to conduct a presentation. Students will follow assigned Rubric.
5. Course Calendar:

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6. Grading Policy

EVERYTHING PRESENTED IN CLASS IS TESTABLE. Note taking is not mandatory, but highly encouraged. You can use them as a quick reference, during testing.

1) Class Participation 10%
2) Practical Exercises and Quizzes 10%
3) Mid-Term Exam 30%
4) Presentation 10%
5) Final Exam 40%
Solid performance in each area of evaluation is necessary. The following grading scale will be used based on 100 points possible:

Grading Scale- The following is the grading scale for the course:

- 90-100 points = A
- 80-89 points = B
- 70-79 points = C
- 60-69 points = D
- Below 59 = F

Every attempt will be made to offer adequate written assessments in explaining evaluations. *All late papers and assignments will receive a 10% reduction in grade.*

7. **Attendance Policy:**

*Only the INSTRUCTOR* may grant permission for an excused absence. Unexcused absences will lower your final grade. Excused absences will be coordinated prior to the class meeting. Three or more unexcused absences will be considered as grounds for removal from the program. In addition to the scheduled class periods the following events are mandatory:

- Tardiness will NOT BE TOLERATED. Students should arrive to class on time. Students will not be allowed to enter classroom five minutes after class has started.

8. **Academic Integrity (A-9.1)**

Academic integrity is a responsibility of all university faculty and students. Faculty members promote academic integrity in multiple ways including instruction on the components of academic honesty, as well as abiding by university policy on penalties for cheating and plagiarism.

**Definition of Academic Dishonesty**

Academic dishonesty includes both cheating and plagiarism. Cheating includes but is not limited to (1) using or attempting to use unauthorized materials to aid in achieving a better grade on a component of a class; (2) the falsification or invention of any information, including citations, on an assigned exercise; and/or (3) helping or attempting to help another in an act of cheating or plagiarism. Plagiarism is presenting the words or ideas of another person as if they were your own. Examples of plagiarism are (1) submitting an assignment as if it were one’s own work when, in fact, it is at least partly the work of another; (2) submitting a work that has been purchased or otherwise obtained from an Internet source or another source; and (3) incorporating the words or ideas of an author into one’s paper without giving the author due credit. Please read the complete policy at [http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp](http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp)
9. Withheld Grades Semester Grades Policy (A-54)

Ordinarily, at the discretion of the instructor of record and with the approval of the academic chair/director, a grade of WH will be assigned only if the student cannot complete the course work because of unavoidable circumstances. Students must complete the work within one calendar year from the end of the semester in which they receive a WH, or the grade automatically becomes an F. If students register for the same course in future terms the WH will automatically become an F and will be counted as a repeated course for the purpose of computing the grade point average.

10. Students with Disabilities

To obtain disability related accommodations, alternate formats and/or auxiliary aids, students with disabilities must contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS), Human Services Building, and Room 325, 468-3004 / 468-1004 (TDD) as early as possible in the semester. Once verified, ODS will notify the course instructor and outline the accommodation and/or auxiliary aids to be provided. Failure to request services in a timely manner may delay your accommodations. For additional information, go to http://www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices/.

11. Cell Phone Policy

Apart from emergency situations, cell phones will be in SILENT or VIBRATE mood at all times while attending class. Cell phones will be kept out of sight. Students expecting an emergency call will notify instructor prior to the start of class.

12. Text and Materials:

All texts and materials are provided by the Military Science department.


AR = Army Regulation

DA PAM = Department of the Army Pamphlet

FM = Field Manual

MSL = Military Science & Leadership

ADP 1: The Army (17 September 2012)

ADRP 6-22: Army Leadership (10 August 2012)

ATTP 5-0.1: Commander and Staff Officer Guide (14 September 2011)

FM 3-21.8: The Infantry Rifle Platoon and Squad (28 March 2007)


ADP/ADRP 6-22: Army Leadership
AR 25-50: Preparing and Managing Correspondence
AR 381–12: Threat Awareness and Reporting Program
AR 525-13: Antiterrorism
AR 600-20: Army Command Policy
ATTP 5-0.1: The Commander and Staff Officer Guide
DA PAM 600-67: Effective Writing for Military Leaders
Cadet Handbook