MSC 207 Basic Leadership Lab and MSC 407 Advanced Leadership Lab
Spring 2020

Instructor

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Class: Locations vary and are subject to change

Email etiquette: I check email periodically throughout the day. I will try to answer any emails I receive in the mornings on Monday through Friday by the close of business that day (typically around 5:00 p.m.), but some may be answered the following morning. I will also check emails on weekends and holidays and will respond as appropriate.

1. Course Description:

Basic and Advanced Leadership Labs are practicum designed to achieve application levels of cognitive development. The overall objective of this course is to integrate the principles and practices of effective leadership, military operations, and personal development.

The course outcomes are derived from the four Army Learning Areas (ALA) and General Learning Outcomes, as established by the Army Learning Coordination Council. These outcomes are designed to prepare newly commissioned Second Lieutenants for success at the Basic Officer Leader Course B (BOLC B) and as a junior officer at their first unit of assignment (FUA).

2. Course Design:

These courses are co-requisites of MSC 102/202 (MSC 207) and MSC 302/402 (MSC 407) respectively and are requirements of becoming an Army Officer through Senior Reserve Officers Training Corps (SROTC) regulations outlined in Army Regulation (AR) 145-1 Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps Program: Organization, Administration, and Training.

These labs will be conducted in an interactive manner and everyone will be responsible for contributing to the success of the learning experience. Although both sections (MSC 207 and MSC 407) will occur simultaneously with students from both sections, there are different expectations and requirements for underclassmen (freshmen and sophomores) and upperclassmen (juniors and seniors). Upperclassmen enrolled in MSC 407 will be required to plan and prepare certain aspects of the labs and will have responsibilities prior to and after each lab.
3. Uniforms

The Army Combat Uniform (ACU) will be issued to any Cadet that expresses interest in contracting. The ACU is to be worn on lab days (Wed) by all contracted and SMP Cadets. Appropriate conservative civilian attire will be worn by all enrolled Cadets until proper uniform has been issued by 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 Army Regulation (AR) 670-1 (Wear and Appearance of the Army Uniform) for grooming standards and proper wear of the uniform.

4. Course Requirements:

   **Participation and Attendance**

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

5. Course Calendar: (This class will take place on Wednesdays during the semester)

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<th>Week 1 “Welcome Back” Lab (SHARP) (Jan 15) – Math 101</th>
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<td>Squad Tactics – Formations and Order of Movement; React to Contact; Squad Attack; React to Indirect – LAN 142 (MSI and MSII)</td>
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<td>Week 3 Platoon Movement / Platoon Attack (Jan 29) – Nacogdoches County Emergency Operations Center (directions to follow)</td>
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<td>Week 4 Platoon Ambush / Raid (Feb 5) – Nacogdoches County Emergency Operations Center (directions to follow)</td>
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<td>Week 6 Platoon Operations (Feb 19) - Nacogdoches County Emergency Operations Center</td>
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6. Grading Policy

YOUR GRADE IS DIRECTLY TIED TO ATTENDANCE. There will be a total of 12 labs counted for grading purposes (The Rappelling Lab during Week 8 and Basic Rifle Marksmanship Lab during Week 15 are optional for non-contracted Cadets and will not count toward grades). Any absences or conflicts must be communicated in advance and BEFORE the lab. These can be confirmed through your primary MS instructor or myself.

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Lab 10 10
Lab 11 10
Lab 12 10
TOTAL 120

The following grading scale will be used based on 120 points possible

Grading Scale

- 11 Labs = A
- 10 Labs = B
- 9 Labs = C
- 8 Labs = D
- 7 or less = F

Make-up work will be assigned on a case-by-case basis for students with excused absences.

7. Attendance Policy:

Only the Instructor may grant permission for an excused absence. Unexcused absences will result in zero credit for that lab. Excused absences will be coordinated prior to lab. Seven or more unexcused absences will result in failure of the course.

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
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/](http://www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices/).

11. Title IX/Clery Act Notification

Sexual misconduct (sexual harassment, sexual assault, and any other nonconsensual behavior of a sexual nature) and sex discrimination violate University policies. Students experiencing such behavior may obtain confidential support from the Lumberjacks Care and the Title IX Coordinator at (936) 468-8292, Counseling Center (936) 468-2401, Student Health Clinic (936) 468-4008, Family Crisis Center of East Texas SFA Office (936) 468-7233 or (800) 828-7233 (24 hour crisis line). To report sexual misconduct or sex discrimination, contact the University Police Department at (936) 468-2608. Disclosure to University faculty or instructors of sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, or sex discrimination occurring on campus, in a University-sponsored program, or involving a campus visitor or University student or employee (whether current or former) is not confidential under Title IX. Faculty and instructors must forward such reports, including names and circumstances, to the University’s Title IX officer. For more information, see [http://www.sfasu.edu/Lumberjacks-Care/](http://www.sfasu.edu/Lumberjacks-Care/).

12. Cell Phone Policy
There is a reasonable expectation that students come to class with a cell phone without it being a distraction. However, apart from emergency situations, cell phones will be in **SILENT** or **VIBRATE** mode 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.

**13. Changes to Curriculum**

This syllabus is a guide for the student, but is subject to change. The student will be informed of all pending changes with adequate time to prepare for tests and other deliverables. Students will be given access to Army doctrinal materials during the course of the class that will not be available prior to the beginning of class. Students will be expected to reference the materials prior to the corresponding lesson.