

**AEROSPACE STUDIES DEPARTMENT**

Professor: Watkins (Chairman)

Assistant Professors: Baumwell, Kinder

**MINOR**

A minor in aerospace studies consists of satisfactory completion of the AFROTC program (15 units).

**AIR FORCE RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS PROGRAM**

As a result of the Reserve Officer Training Corps Vitalization Act of 1964, all previous information concerning Air Force ROTC was superseded by a two-year program which became effective at Fresno State College in the summer of 1965. This new four-semester program is designed to provide prospective Air Force officers with the education, skills, and attitudes vital to the Air Force professional career officer. It is designed to qualify for officer's commissions those college men who desire to serve in the United States Air Force. Successful completion of the program leads to a reserve commission as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force upon graduation.

To be eligible for admission to AFROTC, a student must

- (1) Be a citizen of the United States and not less than 17 years of age.
- (2) Be physically, mentally, and morally qualified in accordance with standards established by the Department of the Air Force and have a minimum of four semesters, either undergraduate or graduate, remaining to be completed at Fresno State College.
- (3) Successfully complete the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test.
- (4) Successfully complete the Air Force physical examination.
- (5) Be selected for and satisfactorily complete AS 25.
- (6) Be not more than 26½ years of age, if programmed for flying training; or 30 years of age, if programmed for other than flying training, at date of graduation and commissioning.
- (7) Be approved for AFROTC training by the Professor of Aerospace Studies and the President of the College.
- (8) Execute a written agreement with the United States Government and the President of the College to complete the program contingent upon completion of baccalaureate requirements at the institution where he is enrolled or at another institution where such a program is given in the case of a transfer from one institution to another, and to accept an appointment as a commissioned officer in the Air Force upon graduation.
- (9) Enlist in the Air Force Reserve (Ineligible Reserve Section) for a period of six years.

Students with prior military service should consult the Professor of Aerospace Studies for applicable entrance requirements.

Cadets enrolled in AS 103A-B, 104A-B will receive a subsistence allowance of \$40 a month, paid quarterly. During attendance at AS 25, a prospective cadet receives subsistence, quarters, and a monetary allowance of \$90 a month for the six-week period, plus travel pay to and from the place of training. Reference books, officer-type uniforms, and textbooks are provided by the Air Force. All AFROTC payments or other benefits are in addition to those a veteran is entitled to under the GI Bill or other laws.

Field trips to Air Force bases and familiarization flights in Air Force aircraft are offered to enrolled students.

A 35-hour flight instruction program and an opportunity to qualify for a private pilot's license is offered to eligible seniors at government expense.