



JROTC – Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps

Career Cluster	Government and Public Administration
Course Codes	09051 JROTC I 09052 JROTC II 09053 JROTC III 09054 JROTC IV
Prerequisite(s)	None
Credit	1.0 each
Program of Study and Sequence	JROTC I – JROTC II - JROTC III – JROTC IV
Student Organization	JROTC
Coordinating Work-Based Learning	NA
Industry Certifications	NA
Dual Credit or Dual Enrollment	NA
Teacher Certification	JROTC Instructor
Resources	

The **Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)**, commonly pronounced [*JAY-rot-see*](#) is a [federal](#) program sponsored by the [United States Armed Forces](#) in [high schools](#) and also in some [middle schools](#) across the United States and at US military bases across the world. The program was originally created as part of the [National Defense Act of 1916](#) and later expanded under the 1964 ROTC Vitalization Act.

CFR National Defense title states in part that JROTC should "provide meaningful leadership instruction of benefit to the student and of value to the Armed Forces. ...Students will acquire: (1) An understanding of the fundamental concept of leadership, military art and science, (2) An introduction to related professional knowledge, and (3) An appreciation of requirements for national security. The dual roles of citizen/soldier and soldier/citizen are studied. ... These programs will enable cadets to better serve their country as leaders, as citizens, and in military service should they enter it.

Six of the eight branches of the [Uniformed services of the United States](#) maintain a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps, organized into units. There are a total of 3,275 units:

- 1,600 [Army](#) AJROTC units^[12]
- 794 [Air Force](#) AFJROTC units^[13]
- 619 [Navy](#) NJROTC units^[14]
- 260 [Marine Corps](#) MCJROTC units^[15]
- 10 [Space Force](#) SFJROTC units ^{[16][17]}
- 2 [Coast Guard](#) CGJROTC units (2 more planned to commence in 2021)^[18]

Prior to 1967 the number of units was limited to 1,200. The cap was increased to 1,600 units in 1967 and again to 3,500 units in 1992; the statutory limitation on the number of units was struck from the law in 2001.^{[19][20]} Their goal was to reach 3,500 units by February 2011 by encouraging program expansion into educationally and economically deprived areas.^[21]

The four components of the JROTC Program are: **classroom instruction, leadership labs, field training exercises, and physical fitness training**. Classes introduce cadets to military customs, courtesies, and traditions as well as military history and Army organization.

JROTC aims to **provide military education and training for students to mobilize them for national defense preparedness**.

There are other extracurricular activities that the JROTC's programs provide for their cadets, including trips to military installations, ROTC college programs, and other sites that give the cadets a look at the military community. During the school year, there are regional competitions between JROTC units, with testing in all areas of military, naval, and aerospace science. Some units organize special visits to US military bases during school breaks. There are also many summertime "leadership academies" for cadets hosted by various military installations.^[47] These academies include the JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB), and JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC), a physical fitness competition.^[48]

CURRICULAR MATERIALS:

ARMY

<https://www.usarmyjrotc.com/>

Army JROTC Courses

Army JROTC 1: Leadership and Education Training (LET) - The Emerging Leader

Army JROTC 2: Leadership and Education Training (LET) - The Developing Leader

Army JROTC 3: Leadership and Education Training (LET) - The Supervising Leader

Army JROTC 4: Leadership Education and Training (LET) - The Managing Leader

NAVY

<https://www.netc.navy.mil/nstc/njrotc/>

NJROTC Curriculum Description

<https://www.netc.navy.mil/Commands/Naval-Service-Training-Command/NJROTC/Program-Information/>

AIR FORCE

Air Force JROTC

<https://www.airuniversity.af.edu/Holm-Center/AFJROTC/>

MARINES

Marine JROTC

<https://www.mcjrotc.marines.mil/>

SPACE FORCE

Space Force JROTC

<https://www.spoc.spaceforce.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/2913212/first-ussf-jrotc-in-california-established-in-transfer-ceremony>