



ROTC at VMI

ARMY NAVY MARINES AIR FORCE

Why ROTC at VMI?

4 branches + 4 years = Prepared Leaders

Virginia Military Institute is a top-ranked public liberal arts college that boasts one of the leading Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) programs in the United States.

The ROTC experience is an integral part of life at VMI. Cadets are required to participate in one of four ROTC leadership programs — Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or

Air Force, throughout their entire cadetship.

These ROTC programs provide cadets with necessary skills for service in the armed forces or private industry.

The ROTC program at VMI challenges cadets to focus on strengthening both mind and body while pursuing ideals of discipline, honor, and respect.

Successful completion of the ROTC program may lead to a commission as a second lieutenant in the Army, Marine Corps, or Air Force, or as an ensign in the Navy.

The VMI experience is a proven formula promoting early success for VMI graduates in whatever career they choose.



VMI teaches responsibility by requiring it. Whether supervising other cadets, rappelling down cliffs, planning field training exercises, or studying military history, cadets learn the same fundamentals of leadership that guided many of the greatest figures in American history.

4 Branches – Side By Side

VMI is among the very few colleges that offer ROTC options in four of the United States military services — Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

As officers in the military, graduates find themselves at an advantage because they have trained alongside other branches of the armed forces and have a deeper knowledge and affinity for working together.

24/7 Military

Military life is a full-time experience at VMI. All cadets operate under the same master schedule. They all live together on post in barracks and govern themselves within the cadet regimental system.

In addition, because VMI is a senior military college, VMI's ROTC program can provide military training at a higher level than programs at civilian colleges and universities. Cadets have access to active duty bases, field-training exercises, and high-ranking military officials on post, a rich and valuable training ground for tomorrow's officers.

Military or Civilian Careers

VMI cadets are free to choose military or civilian career paths. The combination of academic and practical course work enables students to sharpen both mind and body while pursuing such timeless ideals as discipline, honor, and respect.

Alumni Network

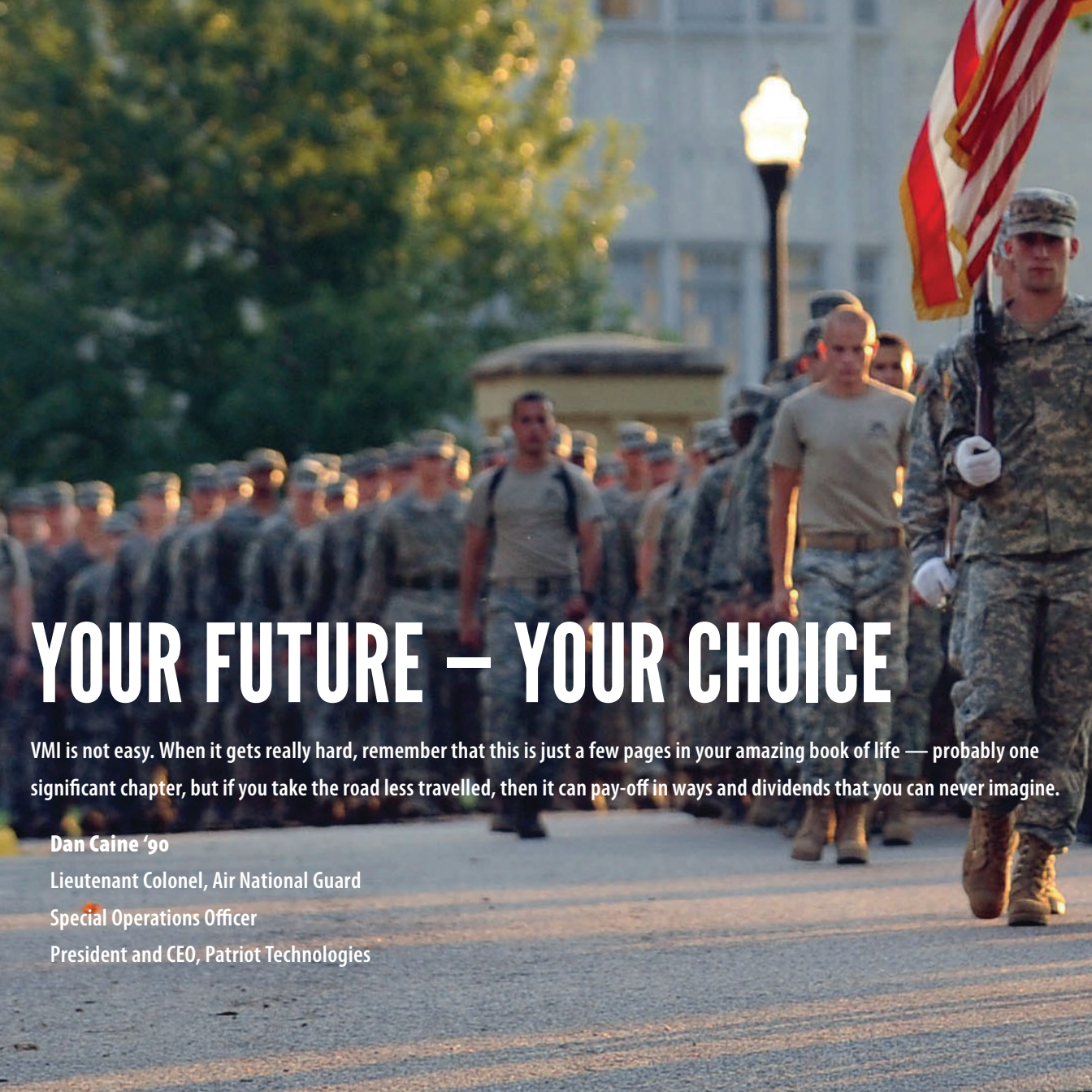
VMI graduates benefit from the support of a legendary network of alumni who recognize and appreciate the value of a degree from Virginia Military Institute.

Scholarship Support

Significant financial support is available through VMI's ROTC program. Incoming scholarship cadets who maintain satisfactory academic and disciplinary standing may receive an annual stipend. Only those cadets who accept ROTC scholarships or contract as non-scholarship cadets are required to enter military service.

Two or three years of ROTC scholarship assistance is available after the first or second year of enrollment at VMI. A two-year program is also available to students who transfer to VMI after their sophomore year.





YOUR FUTURE — YOUR CHOICE

VMI is not easy. When it gets really hard, remember that this is just a few pages in your amazing book of life — probably one significant chapter, but if you take the road less travelled, then it can pay-off in ways and dividends that you can never imagine.

Dan Caine '90

Lieutenant Colonel, Air National Guard

Special Operations Officer

President and CEO, Patriot Technologies

ARMY

VMI's Army ROTC unit has produced more Army generals than any other ROTC program in the U.S.



Commission Rank

Second Lieutenant

Obligation

Active duty scholarship cadets:

four years active, four years reserve

Active duty nonscholarship cadets:

three years active, five years reserve

Reserve component cadets:

eight years active guard/reserve,

inactive reserve

Careers

Seventeen specialties and varied careers paths:

Adjutant General's Corps, Air Defense, Armor, Aviation, Chemical, Cyber Corps, Engineer, Field Artillery, Finance, Infantry, Military Intelligence, Military Police, Ordnance, Quartermaster, Signal, Transportation, and opportunities for educational delay to Judge Advocate, Medical Programs, and Chaplaincy.

Special Programs & Benefits

Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP)

Critical language pay

Academic Core

Freshman/Sophomore: Basic military skills; customs, traditions, and organization of the Army; weapons training, physical fitness, leadership development.

Junior/Senior: Military tactics, troop-leading procedures, team organization, planning, decision making, Army doctrine, ethics, and professionalism.

Scholarship Options

National four- and three-year scholarships pay full tuition. Scholarships include allowances for books, some fees, uniforms, and a monthly stipend.

On-post three-, two-, and one-year scholarships, three- and two-year Army National Guard and Guaranteed Reserve Force Duty Scholarships.

The U.S. Army, a key component of the U.S. armed forces, is made up of the best-trained, most dedicated, most respected soldiers in the world — protecting America's freedoms at home and abroad, securing our homeland, and defending democracy worldwide.

Cadets have the opportunity to attend training programs including **Cadet Troop Leadership Training**, where they serve in lieutenant-level positions with an active duty unit; the **Cultural Understanding and Language Proficiency** program, which provides cadets with the language and cultural skills to perform in global operations; and others, such as **Airborne**, **Air Assault**, **Combat Diver**, **Mountain Warfare**, or **Northern Warfare**.

Training opportunities occur during the summer months between academic years. Additionally, most cadets will attend Basic Camp between their sophomore and junior years at Fort Knox, Ky. All cadets will attend the Advanced Camp between their junior and senior years at Fort Knox.

"There is no greater call in life than to serve and give back to our country. I believe you get more of an opportunity to make a difference as an Army officer than in any other service."

Maj. Robert Lackey '97

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MARINES

VMI Marine-option midshipmen consistently have one of the highest graduation rates at Officer Candidates School.



Commission Rank

Second Lieutenant

Obligation

Four to 10 years of commissioned service, depending on occupation

Careers

Options include more than 20 military occupational specialties that make up the four elements of the Marine Air Ground Task Force:

- Command Element
 - intelligence/communications
- Ground Combat Element
 - infantry/artillery
- Air Combat Element
 - pilot/air traffic controller
- Combat Service Support Element
 - logistician/military police

Summer Training Requirements

CORTRAMID

MAGTF Cruise

Officer Candidates School

Academic Core

Introduction to Naval Science
Seapower and Maritime Affairs
Leadership and Management
Amphibious Warfare
Evolution of Warfare
Leadership and Ethics

Scholarship Options

Four-, three-, and two-year national scholarships that pay full tuition.

Scholarships also include an allowance for books, uniforms, and a monthly living stipend.

Since 1775 the U.S. Marine Corps has been doing two things – making Marines and winning battles.

The Marine Corps is known worldwide as the toughest fighting force. The Naval ROTC prepares Marine option midshipmen for Officer Candidates School and for future service as Marine Officers.

The NROTC program's broad curriculum ranges from history and traditions of the Marine Corps to leadership and ethical training.

"VMI showed me the importance of daily leadership by example, and I've been able to directly transfer those lessons into action as a Marine officer."

Lt. Col. George Hasseltine '97

NAVY

Naval ROTC provides the path to the unrestricted line warfare communities of Surface Warfare, Submarines, and Aviation; a select few may compete for special warfare (SEAL) or special operations (EOD).



Commission Rank

Ensign

Obligation

Four to 10 years of commissioned service, depending on community

Careers

Surface Warfare

Aviation

Submarines

Special operations (EOD)

Special warfare (SEALs)

Summer Training Requirements

Career Orientation Training for Midshipmen (CORTRAMID)

Sea Trials

Second Class Cruise options include service on Navy surface ships or submarines.

First Class Cruise options include service on/ with Navy surface ships, submarines, or aviation squadrons; those competing for special warfare/ operations selection will attend Mini-BUDs or EOD training.

Academic Core

Introduction to Naval Science

Seapower

Leadership and Management

Navigation

Naval Engineering

Naval Weapons Systems

Naval Operations and Seamanship

Leadership and Ethics

Scholarship Options

Four-, three-, two-, and one year national scholarships that pay full tuition.

Scholarships also include an allowance for books, uniforms, and a monthly living stipend.



The mission of the Navy ROTC program is to develop midshipmen mentally, morally, and physically and imbue them with the highest ideals of duty, loyalty, and the core values of honor, courage, and commitment. Navy ROTC thus commissions as naval officers college graduates who possess a basic professional background, are motivated toward careers in the naval service, and have a potential for future development in mind and character so as to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship, and government.

Midshipmen interested in the Surface Warfare Community have the opportunity to request to specialize in Intelligence, Engineering, Oceanography, Nuclear Propulsion, or Information Warfare.

Regardless of specialty, cadets commissioned as officers help lead the most highly trained, best outfitted, and most powerful navy on earth.

"Four years at VMI prepared me for the military through strong academics, camaraderie, and a vision of what I wanted to become as a leader and an officer in the U.S. Navy."

Lt. Ryan Beatley '04

AIR FORCE

The Air Force ROTC selection rate for pilot, combat systems officer, and air battle manager has averaged above 90 percent since 2005.



Commission Rank

Second Lieutenant

Obligation

Four years for regular commission

Six years for combat systems officer

Ten years for pilot

Individual ready reserve for total combined service of eight years

Careers

More than 75 specialties, including Pilot, Combat Systems Officer, Civil Engineer, Developmental Engineer, Air Battle Manager, Combat Rescue Officer, Intelligence, Cyber, Space Operations, Special Investigations, and Special Tactics.

Special Programs & Benefits

Professional development training

Base visits

Private Pilot License Scholarships

Incentive flights

Academic Core

Air Force Heritage and Values

Team and Leadership Fundamentals

Leading People and Effective Communication

National Security, Leadership Responsibilities and

Commissioning Preparation

Scholarship Options

Four- and three-year or unlimited, monthly stipend and annual book allowance available.

Room and board not covered.



The U.S. Air Force is renowned for its precision-targeting air power. That strength is based on technical training, pursuit of higher education, and professional military education.

Air Force cadets have the opportunity to engage in a wide variety of activities designed to enhance leadership skills.

Programs include flight orientation with the Virginia Civil Air Patrol, base visits, physical training time, and a robust guest speaker program.

"VMI's Air Force ROTC program is challenging and rewarding. It provided me with a great foundation to begin my Air Force career."

*Gen. John Jumper '66, USAF (Ret.)
Former Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force*

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“There are few events in life that prepare you as well as the VMI experience for the uncertainty and adversity that lie ahead. The lessons learned serve you well in any profession.”

**Col. Paul Dunahoe '83
U.S. Marine Corps**



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