

ROTC Basic Camp Concept

ROTC Basic Camp (Camp Challenge) is an intensive 5 week training experience, held during the summer at Fort Knox, KY, for college students unable to meet the basic course requirements on campus. This is not the same training enlistees attend upon entry into the Army.

Camp Challenge is the Army's 2-year ROTC Program entry point. Students without ROTC Basic Course experience can examine the Army without incurring any obligation; additionally, those who complete Camp Challenge qualify for Advanced Course entry. Camp Challenge is a vehicle in which both the student and the Army can assess each other for possible future ROTC involvement.

The camp philosophy is based on an action-oriented training plan. Emphasis is placed on hands-on, outdoor training with rapid, constructive feedback to the students from the cadre. Above all else, Camp Challenge is a leadership experience; students are placed in a number of leadership positions, giving them the opportunity to learn new leadership skills, as well as polish their current skills.

Training requirements for Camp Challenge are located in Cadet Command Regulation 145-3, Precommissioning Training and Leadership Development and the U.S. Army Basic Camp Program of Instructions.

- Training At Camp Challenge
- Cadet Awards at Basic Camp
- Advanced Course