

Camp Concept

Basic Camp (Camp Challenge) is an intensive 5 week training experience for college students unable to meet the basic course requirements on campus.

Camp Challenge is the Army's 2-year ROTC Program entry point. Through Camp Challenge, students without ROTC Basic Course experience can examine the Army without incurring an obligation, and qualify for Advanced Course entry. The Army observes these students and determines their officer potential in a leadership oriented, challenging, and motivating 5-week training program.

A successful camp begins with recruitment of quality students who have a desire to learn about ROTC and an Army Officer career. Training during camp educates, challenges, motivates, and demonstrates to the student the demands and rewards of being an Army Officer. Camp Challenge is the student's and the Army's vehicle for determining future ROTC involvement.

Training requirements for Camp Challenge are specified in Cadet Command Regulation 145-3, and the *U.S. Army Basic Camp Program of Instruction*.

The camp philosophy is based on an action-oriented training plan. Emphasis is hands on, outdoor training with rapid, constructive feedback to the cadet. Above all else, Camp Challenge is a leadership experience. The training program is designed to inspire students to become outstanding leaders with a sound understanding of traditional leadership values. At Camp Challenge, students are trained to lead and develop their officer leadership potential.