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Military Science Department

Military Science Department records, 1896-1991

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ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

In 1895, Professor Edward S. Keene organized a company of the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at North Dakota Agricultural College, as per the requirement for military training declared by the Morrill Act and State legislation. Professor Keene acted as captain and trained cadets using equipment from the North Dakota National Guard.

Lieutenant C. G. French, of the Fifteenth Infantry, U.S. Army, reported to the college in early 1897 to set up a course of instruction for the new company. He stayed at the college until June 1898, at which time three faculty members of the college followed his course of practical and theoretical instruction. Early instruction in the ROTC courses was required for all males, except for seniors and those that were physically incapable. The courses occupied two hours of work per week for freshmen and sophomores and five hours of work per week for juniors and seniors.

Captain James Ulio was the first commissioned officer to run the program and he started his command in 1901. He organized two companies and held weekly parades.

The Army and Air Force ROTC programs are both active on campus. The Military Science Department moved to the College of Science and Mathematics in 1994.

ARRANGEMENT

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The records consist of eight series. **Departmental Background** includes *Spectrum* articles from the 1890s and fact sheets from the 1970s and 1980s. **Meetings** contain one folder of Advisory Council meetings from April and December 1990 and April 1991. **Correspondence** includes the correspondence of both ROTC programs, the Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the HPER/A Teaching Staff. **Curriculum** consists of a leadership symposium in the 1970s, information on Military Science 101 from 1975, and course curriculum possibilities from the mid-1980s. **Reports** have only a faculty questionnaire dealing with faculty quality from 1980-1981. **Subjects** includes budget information from the 1980s, enrollment data (Air Force 1970s-1980s; Army, 1980s-1990s), exercises and ceremonies (1940s-1990s), social events (1934-1989), tuition impact (1990-1991), and a unit patch (1984). **Publications** include *Bisonair*, volume 1, number 1, October 1951 which was an AFROTC newsletter, and *The Air Force Flyer*, a supplement to the *Spectrum*, celebrating 35 years of AFROTC at NDSU in 1982. **Recruitment** consists of recruitment pieces for the Air Force and Army ROTC from the mid-1960s to the early 1980s.

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11.4.8.1 Departmental Background

Spectrum articles – 1896, 1897

Air Force ROTC - Fact Sheet - 1979

Fact Sheets - 1986, 1987

11.4.8.2 Meetings

Minutes-ROTC Advisory Council, 1990-1991

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Correspondence-Air Force and Army ROTC, 1988-1991

Correspondence-Dean, General, 1982-1992

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11.4.8.5 Curriculum

Military Science - Symposium on Leadership – 1973, 1976

Military Science 101 - 1975

Course Curriculum – Military Science c.1985

11.4.8.6 Reports and Documents

Faculty quality questionnaire – Department of Aerospace Studies –AFROTC, 1980-1981

11.4.8.7 Subjects

Budget-Air Force and Army ROTC, 1982,1985-1986, 1988

Enrollment Data-Air Force ROTC, 1975-1986

Enrollment Data-Army ROTC, 1985, 1991-1992

ROTC Cadet Corps - Military Tournament & Graduation Parade - program - 1940

Commissioning Exercises - 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1994

Honorary Degree - Brig. Gen. Lawrence F. Tanberg received honorary Doctor of
Science Degree (1941 grad of NDAC) - 1965

Joint Awards Day Exercises - 1966, 1972, 1977, 1979, 1980, 1981

Program-Joint Awards Day Ceremonies, 1987-1988

Invitation to Military Ball - 1934

Clippings - Nov., 1962 - Air Force/Army - Military Ball

Memo to Faculty - Military Ball – 1976

Programs and Invitations-Air Force ROTC Dining Out - Banquet - 1984-1989

Programs and Invitations-Army ROTC Dining In – Banquet – 1989, n.d.
Invitation-Army and Air Force ROTC Open House, 1989

Proposed Tuition Changes – impact on AFROTC, 1990-1991
Unit Patch-Army ROTC, 1984 [patch separated into Artifact /Collection]

11.4.8.8 Publications

The Blue Torch, 1923. Yearbook for the summer camp held at Fort Snelling in Hennepin County, Minnesota. Many ROTC members from NDAC where involved.

Air Force - ROTC - *Bisonair* - October, 1951

The Air Force Flyer - supplement to April 2, 1982 *Spectrum*

11.4.8.9 Recruitment

Air Force - ROTC : PR piece - c.1964

Recruitment letters - 1970s

Air Force - ROTC - Earn a Commission - 1979

Air Force ROTC - 1980-81 Annual

ROTC - Army - brochures - n.d.s

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