

# NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE CADET TESTIMONIALS

Learn firsthand about the experience of being a ROTC cadet at North Central College. Each of these students have a unique story to share about why they chose to participate in ROTC and how it's been a tool to find success. Discover how ROTC as a North Central student can help you exceed your personal best both in and out of the classroom and set you up to commission as a military officer upon graduation.



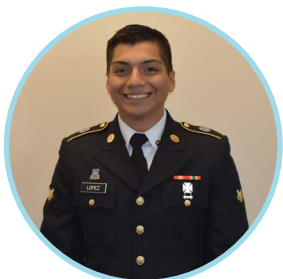
## MICHAEL POLLACK AIR FORCE ROTC, PHYSICS

“ Being a cadet and student-athlete has been the most fulfilling experience in my life. Juggling basketball, physics and my obligations as a cadet is hard work. But at the same time, it is very rewarding. My coaching staff has been extremely accommodating in recognizing my commitment to the Air Force and there are always people at North Central who understand the different things that go into my schedule and work with me to manage it.”



## TACOYA S. HARRIS ARMY ROTC, COMPUTER SCIENCE

“ The encouragement, support and comradeship of the program make ROTC a second family. Preparing to be a military officer is not only an honor, but a serious commitment. Being an ROTC cadet at North Central is particularly great because of the support and mentorship provided by the Military Student Services Coordinator and ROTC Cadet Mentor. I highly recommend being a ROTC cadet at North Central.”



## EMILIO LOPEZ ARMY ROTC, HISTORY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

“ Being a member of the Army ROTC has helped me develop myself as a student and a professional. It has taught me responsibility, respect, discipline and how to challenge myself. Those interested should check out ROTC because it is a great opportunity. Being a cadet at North Central allows me the full college student experience while also pursuing my military career.”



## BRADY DICKERSON AIR FORCE ROTC, PHYSICS

“ Everyone at North Central cares about you. The faculty and staff at North Central College understand the commitment and obligations of being a ROTC cadet and work with me to manage the responsibilities of each.”



## DAKOTA DREW ARMY ROTC, SOCIOLOGY

“ Being a cadet and student-athlete at North Central has been incredibly rewarding. Balancing wrestling, coursework, and cadet duties takes dedication and time management, but the support of my cadre, coaches, and faculty makes it possible. They understand the unique demands of ROTC and work with me to succeed in all areas.”



**NORTH CENTRAL  
COLLEGE 1861**

# **RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)**

“ ROTC is a leadership training and development program that prepares college students for service opportunities in the U.S. Military. Joining ROTC opens a door to professional skills development, scholarship opportunities and tuition assistance, and, upon completion, attaining the rank of officer.”

- Military.com

**[NORTHCENTRALCOLLEGE.EDU/ROTC](http://NORTHCENTRALCOLLEGE.EDU/ROTC)**







#### **RYAN KELSEY**

CAPTAIN, UNITED STATES ARMY  
ARMY ROTC CADET GRADUATE, NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE

## **BEST OF BOTH WORLDS**

You can enroll in Army ROTC or Air Force ROTC through North Central College and work towards a college education while receiving outstanding leadership training and preparation for a career as an officer in the U.S. Military. Tuition assistance and stipends are available for qualified applicants. North Central students are eligible to participate in the U.S. Army ROTC Rolling Thunder Battalion or the U.S. Air Force ROTC Detachment 195 leading to a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant. This is the same rank as graduates of military academies. First-year students are welcome to participate in ROTC without committing to the post-graduation service requirement.

## **UNDERGRADUATE EXPERIENCE**

In addition to having the full undergraduate experience at North Central, cadets take one ROTC course per semester at either Wheaton College (Army ROTC) or University of Chicago (Air Force ROTC). 26 hours of Army ROTC credit or 16 hours AF ROTC credits is accepted in transfer credit toward your North Central degree.

## **ROTC HOUSING & FOOD GRANT**

North Central ROTC cadets receiving the Army ROTC Scholarship or Air Force ROTC Scholarship through the Department of Defense may be eligible for a North Central ROTC on campus housing & food grant of up to \$10,000/year.

## **LEARN MORE ABOUT ELIGIBILITY, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND SERVICE COMMITMENT**

### **BEING A ROTC CADET AT NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE**

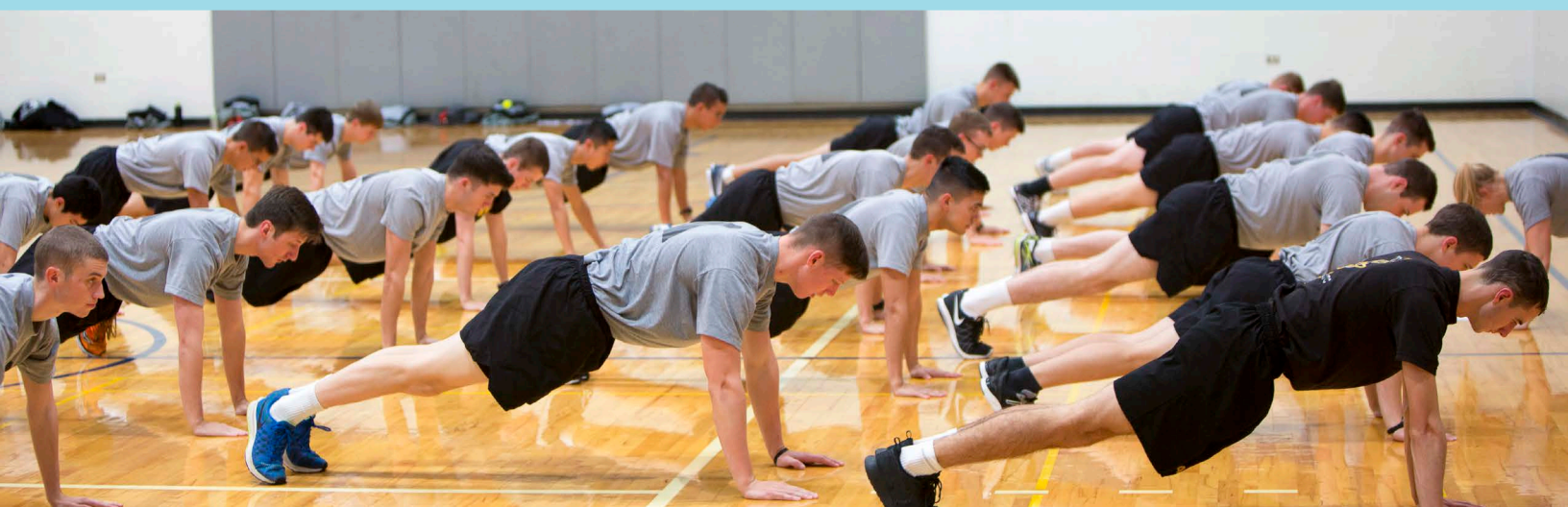
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### **ROLLING THUNDER BATTALION (ARMY ROTC)**

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## **U.S. ARMY ROTC— THE ROLLING THUNDER BATTALION**

The purpose of the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps is to enable college students to pursue a course of study which will qualify them, upon graduation, for appointment as officers in the U.S. Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard. Army ROTC is focused on leadership development, both in the classroom and field environments. Army ROTC cadets at North Central participate in the Rolling Thunder Battalion (located seven miles from our campus at Wheaton College) with leadership lab on Thursdays from 3:30 - 6 p.m. and military science courses on Thursday evenings. Cadets also participate in physical training\* on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 6 - 7:15 a.m.

### **ARMY ROTC MILITARY SCIENCE COURSES**

**MSCI 101: Introduction to the Army and Critical Thinking**  
(2 credits)

**MSCI 102: Introduction to the Professional of Arms**  
(2 credits)

**MSCI 201: Leadership and Decision Making** (2 credits)

**MSCI 202: Army Doctrine and Team Development**  
(2 credits)

**MSCI 211: American Military History** (2 credits)

**MSCI 301: Training Management and the Warfighting Functions** (4 credits)

**MSCI 302: Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations**  
(4 credits)

**MSCI 401: The Army Officer** (4 credits)

**MSCI 402: Company Grade Leadership** (4 credits)

## **U.S. AIR FORCE ROTC— DETACHMENT 195**

The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) is a leadership development program that prepares college students to become officers in the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Space Force. Through hands-on training, academic coursework, and physical fitness, cadets develop the skills necessary to lead and commission as officers upon graduation.

The North Central College AFROTC program is hosted by Detachment 195 at the University of Chicago. Learn more about the program and take your first step as a North Central student toward a future of service and leadership by visiting the detachment's website at:

[collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/afrotc](https://collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/afrotc)

### **AIR FORCE ROTC AEROSPACE STUDIES CURRICULUM**

**AS 101 Heritage and Values of the USAF I** (1 credit)

**AS 102 Heritage and Values of the USAF II** (1 credit)

**AS 201 Team and Leadership Fundamentals I** (1 credit)

**AS 202 Team and Leadership Fundamentals II** (1 credit)

**AS 301 Leading People and Effective Communication I**  
(3 credits)

**AS 302 Leading People and Effective Communication II**  
(3 credits)

**AS 401 National Security Affairs** (3 credits)

**AS 402 National Security Affairs II & Preparation for Active Duty** (3 credits)

\* Varsity athletes in either program are excused from physical training (PT) during their season.