Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC)

Yale hosts both Naval and Air Force ROTC units that offer interested Yale College students an opportunity to pursue their regular Yale degrees while preparing for leadership in the military services. Regardless of financial need, participating students may receive significant help in meeting the costs of a Yale education.

AIR FORCE ROTC

The mission of Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 009 at Yale is to develop quality leaders for the United States Air Force. The AFROTC, through intense training and course work, opens the door for entry into the finest air force in the world. Cadets have gone on to serve in a range of career fields, from medicine to aviation. The program offers students an ideal training environment that instills values such as integrity, service before self, and excellence. Cadets are also exposed to numerous activities and organizations that reach out to the local community while strengthening the skills necessary for a military career. Full and partial scholarships that may cover tuition, fees, books, and/or a subsistence allowance are available, with levels dependent on qualifications and other factors. Scholarships are open to both first-year students and sophomores who excel in academics and display leadership potential.

Questions about the Yale AFROTC program may be sent to AFROTC Detachment 009 (airforce@yale.edu). Interested students should also visit the Yale Air Force ROTC website.

NAVAL ROTC

The Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) program educates young men and women for service as commissioned officers in the United States Navy (USN) or Marine Corps (USMC). NROTC develops future officers mentally, morally, and physically, and instills in them the highest ideals of duty and loyalty and the core values of honor, courage, and commitment. The Naval Science program prepares students to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship, and government.

First-year students may apply for either the National NROTC Scholarship or for the nonscholarship College Program. Applications for the National NROTC scholarship are completed online via the Naval ROTC website and are due by January 31 for activation the following fall. For enrollment in the College Program, students apply directly to the Yale NROTC unit and then compete for scholarships (two- or three-year) at the completion of their first year. If awarded an NROTC Scholarship, students receive full tuition, academic fees, a stipend for textbooks, and a monthly subsistence allowance that increases annually.

Questions about the Yale NROTC program may be sent to nrotc@yale.edu. Interested students should also visit the Yale Naval ROTC website.