



# FACT SHEET

*Period Covered for Awards/Accomplishments: Summer 2016 – Summer 2017  
Current as of 11 August 2017*

## **AIR FORCE RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (AFROTC)**

### **HISTORY**

- One of the nation's oldest ROTC programs established in early 1920s as one of seven Air ROTC units
- Produced more AF Officers in last 50 years than any other university w/76 rising to General (8 of 9 A&M 4-stars)

### **DISTINCTIONS**

- Largest of 145 AFROTC units in nation w/750 cadets in fall w/66 incoming scholarship winners--most in country
- One of the highest producers of AF officers in country averaging ~35/year over last 5 years--63 in '18/100 in '19
- AFROTC cadet selected as 2016-2017 Corps Commander with 3 more chosen as Band & Wing Commanders
- 3 AFROTC cadets chosen for key 2017-18 Corps leadership positions--Deputy Commander/two Wing Commanders
- 178 contract cadets w/135 of them on AFROTC scholarships valued at \$1.2M, w/over 50% in technical degree majors
- 85% of cadets received their top 3 Air Force career choice w/69% getting their 1<sup>st</sup> choice--10% above nat'l average
- 23 cadets awarded AFROTC In-College & Express Scholarships covering full tuition, books, & fees valued at \$253K
- 3.28 CGPA for AFROTC contract cadets higher than University CGPA of 3.16--remarkable academic performance
- Over 50% of contract & non-contract AFROTC cadets are STEM majors compared to only 22% of regular students
- Nearly 8% higher commissioning selection rate than nat'l average for highly-competitive officer selection process

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS VERSUS ENTIRE NATION OF OVER 12,000 CADETS**

- 12 AF cadets served in key Corps leadership roles... Aggie Band Commander & Corps Commander--21 for AY17-18
- 78% select rate (25 of 32) for fly slots--Pilot (15)/Remotely Piloted Acraft (2)/Combat Sys Ofcr (6)/Air Battle Mgr (2)
- Three consecutive years with a perfect 100% selection rate (191 of 191) for competitive AFROTC Field Training
- #1 out of 43 as the Association of Military Colleges & Schools of the United States 2016 Leadership Award winner
- Home to the #1 AFROTC cadet for 2016-17 out of over 13K in the entire nation among 145 detachments
- 1 of 32 cadets handpicked from a nationwide pool to attend Combat Rescue Officer Assessment & Selection phase
- 5 of 22 AFROTC cadets in nation chosen for AF Advanced Cyber Ed Pgm & 1 for US European Command internship
- 28 Distinguished Grads/15 Superior Performers (33%) & ~ 60% in Top 1/3 at summer officer trng course last 2 years
- 1 of 10 cadets in nation selected for competitive paid Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory research internship
- 1 of 13 chosen as US Army Inst. Of Surgical Research intern--published research for Battlefield Health/Trauma pgm

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

- Led effort to schedule 4 Air Force aircraft flyovers before A&M football games--B1/4 F-16's/4 F-22's/4 A-10's
- Expanded DoD-AFROTC-Univ. Research Pgm; classified cyber initiative--20 cadets doing paid research for gov't
- 44 cadets chosen to participate in Headquarters Air Force flying qualification project-FAA certified ground training
- 55 cadets selected to receive backseat F-16 and T-38 fighter jet aircraft incentive flights
- 34 cadets received one-on-one flying experience in light aircraft with Active Duty Air Force pilots totaling
- Candid discussions w/Senior Leaders... Air Combat Commander (4-Star); AF Global Strike Commander (4-Star); Secretary of the Air Force; Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force (4-Star); Air Education & Training Commander (3-Star); NASA Astronaut; former Chief of the Staff of the Air Force (4-Star)
- Private meetings w/key leaders at Bush School of Gov't, such as Condoleezza Rice, Bob Gates, & Pres. Bush (41/43)
- High-impact community outreach events such as Big Event (largest student-run service project) & March to the Brazos (largest, most successful student-led fundraiser for March of Dimes-raised over \$3M from 77-17)
- 30 of 35 (84%) AF cadets selected for study abroad programs in Africa/Asia/Europe/S. America/Mid-East/Indonesia
- Internships w/Nat'l Recon Office, AF Research Lab, Lawrence Livermore Nat'l Lab, Sec of AF Int'l Affairs