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General Syllabus:

AERO 1011 The Foundations of the United States Air Force I

Credit Hours: 1 Lecture Hours: 1 Laboratory Hours: 2

Prerequisite: None

Effective Catalog: 2015-2016

I. Course Information:

A. Catalog Description

Introduce students to the United States Air Force and provide an overview of the basic characteristics, missions, and organization of the Air Force.

B. Additional Information – Students will participate in lectures and leadership ROTC laboratories.

II. Student Learning Outcomes:

A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Know a little about the history of our Air Force, how we're organized and what we do for our country (fight and win America's wars).
2. Know what career opportunities are available to you as an Air Force officer.
3. Understand the customs and courtesies and professional appearance required of an Air Force officer.
4. Know the Air Force Core Values and understand the concepts of professionalism and officership.
5. Know the benefits afforded members of the military.
6. Know and develop productive life skills.
7. Demonstrate basic oral and written communications skills.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Communication Skills

Students will compose coherent documents as assigned. Students will effectively communicate both verbally and in written communications. Students will apply listening, speaking, and writing skills in Air Force particular formats and situations with accuracy, clarity, and appropriate style.

Global and Cultural Perspective

Students will reflect upon cultural differences and their implications for interactions with people from other cultures as well as their own. Students will be exposed to a broad range of Air Force activities at home and abroad with awareness of cultural issues.

Analytical Skills

Students will use analytical/critical thinking skills to draw conclusions and/or solve problems. Students will access and evaluate appropriate information through written and electronic means. Students will enhance their ability to critically think and analyze major issues related to the evolution of the Air Force military system.

Ethics

Students will recognize and analyze ethical dilemmas. Students will apply ethical concepts and rules to determine viable alternatives in any given situation and understand the ethical codes and responsibilities of the Air Force.

Technological Skills

Students will use computerized tools to efficiently access, communicate, analyze, and evaluate electronic information.

III. Major Course Topics:

- A. Introduction to ROTC
- B. Air Force Dress & Appearance
- C. Military Customs and Courtesies
- D. Team Building
- E. Military Communications
- F. Air Force Benefits and Career Opportunities