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General Syllabus

MILS 10242 Introduction to the Army and Critical Thinking

Credit Hours: 2

Lecture Hours: 1

Laboratory Hours: 2

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Fundamental components of service as an officer. Introduction to organization, values, ethics, personal development, and the role of the Army.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

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

1. Understand the role of the Army as a values based organization that embraces the Warrior Ethos.
2. Understand the concept of professionalism and demonstrate proficiency of select individual military skills.
3. Define and use the problem solving process in military and non-military problems.
5. Understand the principles of lifelong learning through an appreciation of learning styles and knowledge of adult learning principles.
6. Comprehend the basic elements of Comprehensive Soldier and Family Fitness and exhibit a functional knowledge of resiliency factors.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking

Students will analyze the logic of a text.

Ethical Decision Making

Students will use ethic reasoning to evaluate a moral dilemma.

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will read and discuss current events and the relevance in their lives.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. US Military Customs and Courtesies
- B. Army Values
- C. Study Skills
- D. Comprehensive Fitness
- E. Time Management
- F. Goal Setting Process
- G. Health and Fitness
- H. Elements of Thought
- I. Application of Critical Thinking