

University of Arkansas - Fort Smith
5210 Grand Avenue
P. O. Box 3649
Fort Smith, AR 72913-3649 479-788-7000

General Syllabus

MILS 40033 Mission Command and the Army Profession

Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Laboratory Hours: 2

Prerequisite: MILS 30133 Applied Team Leadership

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Focuses on the challenges of mission command and how it is used in Army Operations. Provides an in-depth understanding of the Army profession and what it means to be a military professional.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

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

1. Synthesize all aspects of Army Values and Warrior Ethos required to succeed as an Army Officer.
2. Demonstrate the ability to plan, prepare, execute, and assess platoon-level training strategies to enable mission accomplishment.
3. Recognize and analyze ambiguous situations and develop solutions to tactical, ethical, and leadership problems.
4. Analyze and synthesize the communications process to effectively communicate as a leader.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking

Students will analyze unstructured tactical or ethical problems and make a timely and effective decision.

Ethical Decision Making

Students will use moral reasoning to analyze a historic case study of ethical

decision making.

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will assess the impacts of cultural differences on military operations and anticipate the consequences.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. Introduction to Mission Command
- B. Military Decision Making Process
- C. Operations Orders
- D. Unit Training Management
- E. Mission Command Case Study
- F. Risk Management
- G. Army Leader Ethics Case Studies
- H. Organizational Ethics
- I. Officer Evaluation Report
- J. NCO Evaluation Report
- K. The Uniform Code of Military Justice
- L. Administrative Discipline and Separation