



# University of Pennsylvania NROTC Unit



**Three Schools, One Mission** 



#### **Commander's Intent**



To develop midshipmen morally, mentally, and physically, and to imbue them with the highest ideals of duty, and loyalty, and with the core values of honor, courage, and commitment; in order to commission college graduates as naval officers who possess a basic professional background, are motivated toward careers in the naval service, and have a potential for future development in mind and character so as to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship, and government.









#### **Welcome Aboard!**



- History & Organization
- Our Battalion
- Benefits & Life as a MIDN
- Commissioning & Beyond





## **History of NROTC UPenn**



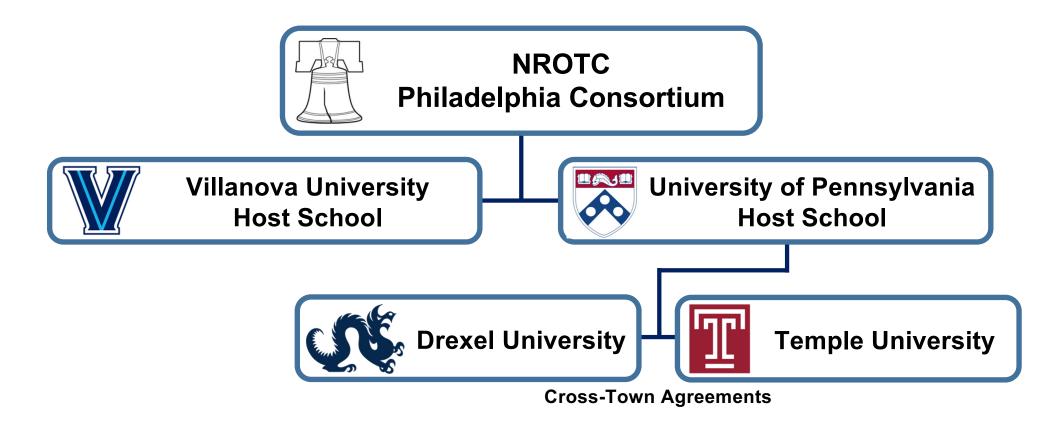
- Tradition of military leadership
  - First Commandant of the Marine Corps
    - Maj Samuel Nicholas 1752 graduate
  - First Secretary of the Navy
    - Benjamin Stoddert 1777 graduate
  - First Commissioned African American Marine Corps Officer
    - Frederick C Branch Temple 1945
- NROTC Unit established in 1940
  - V-12 Program established in 1943
  - Cross-town Agreements
    - Drexel University
    - Temple University
- Over 1500 total commissionees
  - Seven Navy Admirals
  - Four Marine Corps Generals





# **Consortium Organization**

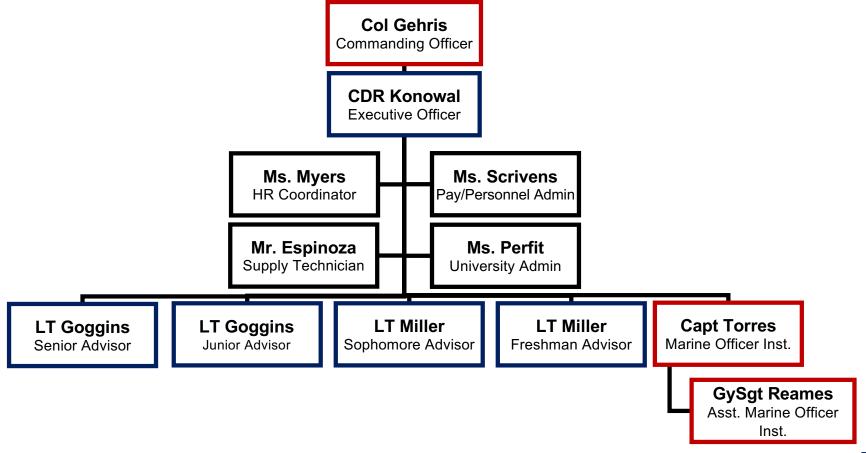






## **NROTC UPenn Staff**

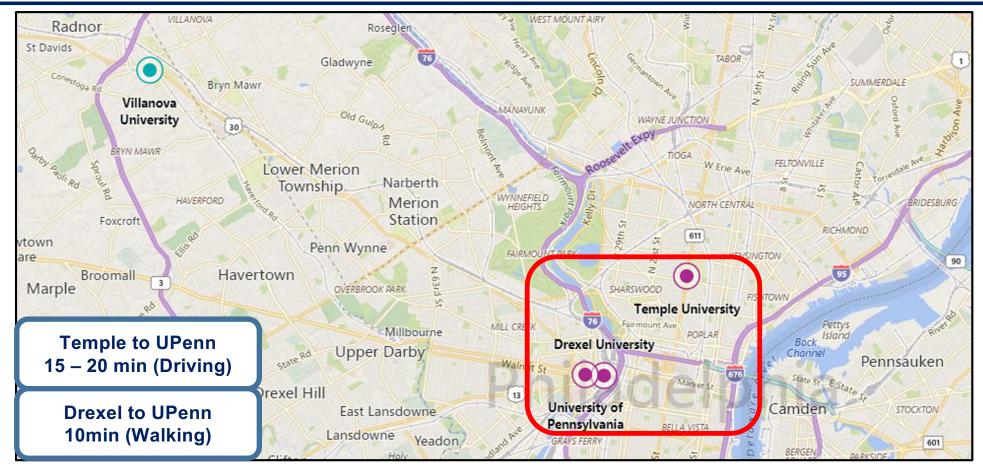






#### **Consortium Locations**

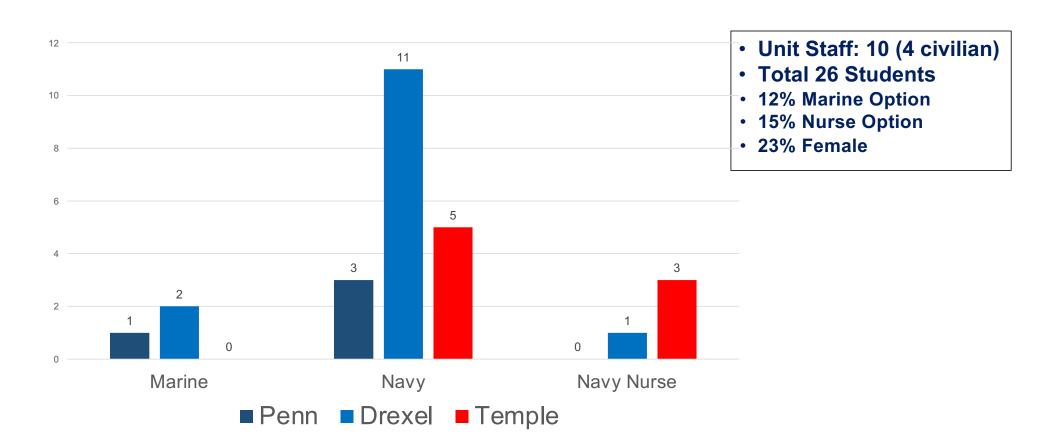






# **Battalion Breakdown (2024-2025)**

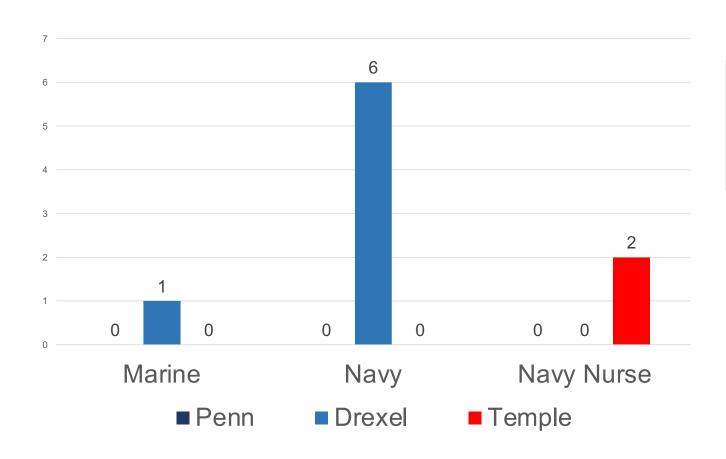






# **Incoming Class (2024-2025)**





#### **Total of 11 Students**

• Scholarship: 56%

College Program: 44%

• Female: 22%



#### **How Did You Get Here?**



- Hard work, discipline, and perseverance
- National Scholarship Applications (FY24)
  - 4,595 submitted
  - 2,266 scholarships awarded
  - 49% selection rate
- Extensive and selective process
- Well beyond most college applications





## **NROTC Scholarship Overview**



- Equivalent to:
  - \$65-70k annually
  - \$260k or more over four years
- First-rate educations from all schools
- Little-to-no college debt after graduation
- Guaranteed employment and salary
  - \$48kbase pay + \$22K housing stipend (location-dependent, untaxed) = \$70K+
  - Additional allowances
- Exciting journey in Navy/Marine Corps
- Commitment to serving a greater cause





# **Tuition Costs (2024-2025)**



University	In-State Cost	Out-of-State Cost
University of Pennsylvania	N/A	\$68,686/year
Drexel University	N/A	\$62,412/year*
Temple University	\$24,728/year	\$44,096/year

\*Varies depending on Co-Op option

• Scholarship benefits are <u>paid 45 days</u> after the beginning of the current academic term (if program requirements have been met):

Penn: 11 Oct

Temple: 10 Oct

Drexel: 07 Nov



# **NROTC Scholarship Funding**



- Full Tuition (with some caveats)
- Monthly Subsistence Allowance
  - \$250 \$400 per month based on academic year
- Term Book Stipend
  - Pays for two semesters or three quarters per academic year
  - \$375/semester or \$250/quarter
- Uniforms (issued by the Unit)
- Room and Board is not included in the NROTC scholarship, but...



#### **NROTC Room and Board**



- Temple University:
  - \$1,250 per semester, 3.0 GPA to continue
  - Scholarship midshipmen only
- Drexel University:
  - 3.0 GPA = 100% Room & 25% Board allowance
  - Scholarship midshipmen only
- University of Pennsylvania:
  - No Room/Board allowance



## **NROTC Service Obligation**



- 4-year National Scholarship: no service obligation for the first year
- Service obligation begins on the first day of September sophomore year
  - Navy Option Minimum 5 years Active Duty, more for certain service selections
  - Marine Corps Minimum 4 years Active Duty
  - Nurse Options Minimum 4 years Active Duty
- Scholarship only equates to the opportunity to earn a commission
  - Extra requirements for Aviation, Submarines, SPECWAR
  - Service assignment is based on the needs of the Navy and performance
- Leave of Absence
  - Academic

Medical

Disciplinary

- Personal (student request)
- Physical Readiness



## Scholarship Jeopardy



- Honor and Integrity Violations we expect exceptional character
- Alcohol and Drugs underage drinking
- Grades requirement is a 2.5 term and cumulative GPA
- Poor Performance Physical fitness, leadership, etc...
- Failure to meet/maintain medical standards
- Drop on Request



# **NROTC College Program**



- Non-Scholarship NROTC participants
- Scholarship Opportunities
  - 'On the Spot Scholarship Nominations' (OTSSN). Up to 3.5 years. Streamlined.
  - 3 & 2-year Sideload Scholarships.
    More involved.
  - Both are unit nominated
- NROTC Advanced Standing
- We are committed to your commission!





# **Sideload Scholarship Statistics**



- 2024 Statistics
  - 4 Applications
    - 3 OTSSN, 1 Non-Affiliated Side-Load
  - 4 Scholarships Awarded
  - 0 Advanced Standing
  - All Navy Option
- 2023 Statistics
  - 3 Applications
  - 3 Scholarships Awarded
  - 0 Advanced Standing

- 2021 Statistics
  - 5 Applications
  - 3 Scholarships Awarded
  - 0 Advanced Standing
  - 1 Navy Nurse Non-Select
  - 1 Marine Corps Non-Select
- 2022 Statistics
  - 1 Application
  - 1 Advanced Standing in lieu of scholarship

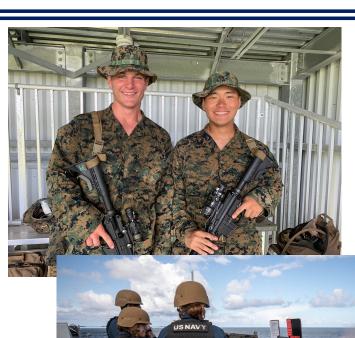
Overall <u>Performance</u>, <u>Grades</u>, and <u>Staff Recommendations</u> are KEY to earning a sideload scholarship!



# **Summer Training**



- New Student Indoctrination (NSI)
- Navy Option
  - Freshman-Sophomore: 4-week CORTRAMID
  - Sophomore-Junior: Enlisted Cruise & 2-week Sea Trials
  - Junior-Senior: 1st Class Cruise
- Marine Corps Option
  - Freshman-Sophomore: 4-week CORTRAMID
  - Sophomore-Junior: Fleet Marine Force (FMF)
  - Junior-Senior: 6-week USMC OCS
- Nurse Option
  - Freshman-Sophomore: Afloat Cruise
  - Junior-Senior: Naval Hospital Orientation

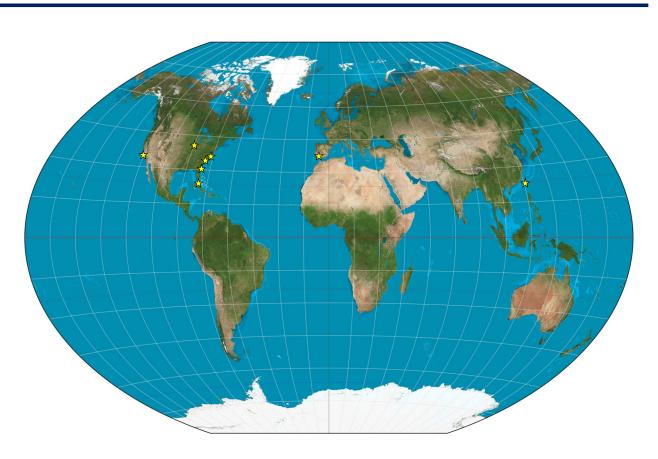




# **Summer Training 2024**



- Taiwan
- Rota, Spain
- San Diego, CA
- Jacksonville, FL
- Camp Lejeune, NC
- Kings Bay, GA
- Norfolk, VA
- Quantico, VA
- Annapolis, MD
- Great Lakes, IL





# **Study Abroad**



- <u>Can</u> be funded by the NROTC Scholarship program
  - Tuition must be same price or less expensive than home school
  - Must still be able to graduate in four years or less
  - Needs command endorsement and headquarters approval
- Some majors will be challenging to fit into a four-year period
- Historical Study Abroad: Italy, Switzerland, China, England,
  Morocco



# **After Commissioning**



#### Navy

- Nuclear Power Training (Charleston, SC)
- Flight Training (Pensacola, FL)
- BDOC (Norfolk, VA or San Diego, CA)
- SEAL/EOD (Coronado, CA or Panama City, FL)
- IW (Virginia Beach, VA)

#### Marine Corps

- The Basic School (Quantico, VA)
- Follow-on MOS Training

#### Nurse Corps

- NCLEX (Licensing Exam)
- Navy Hospital





## **KILO Company**



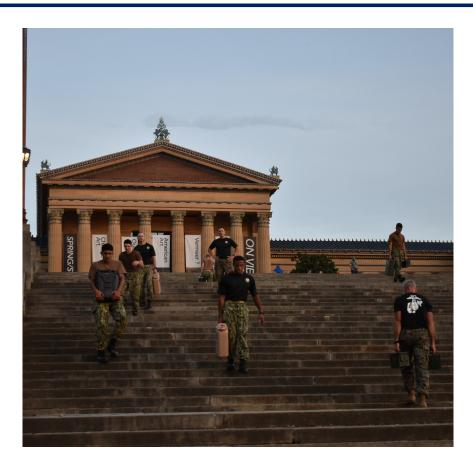
- Two-week continuation of NSI + Offsite Training Weekend
  - Prepares first-year midshipmen to join their respective battalions
  - Prepare candidates to excel as midshipmen and students
  - Builds class cohesion and prepares students for first year as MIDN
- Dress Code evolution-dependent: Polo and Khakis, PT Uniform, other uniforms for inspections
- Freshman Advisor, AMOI, and student staff guide candidates



## **Focus of Training**



- Professional Knowledge / Militarization
- Physical Fitness and Readiness
- Teamwork and Leadership
- Discipline, Bearing, and Professionalism
- KILO Commences 16 September
- KILO Graduation on 27
  September





#### A Week in the Life



#### Monday

- 0700 0815: Naval Science Class
- 0830 1000: Naval Science Lab

#### Tuesday

0650-0800: Remedial PT

#### Wednesday

- 0700 0800: Battalion PT
- 0800 0830: Drill/MWR
- 0845 1000: Naval Science Class

#### Thursday

- 0650 0800: Marine PT
- 0800 0900: Marine Class

#### Friday

- 0700 0800: Physical Training
- 0800 0900: Misc.



#### **Battalion Events**



- Cornell Military Excellence Competition
- Villanova MEC
- Fall/Spring Field Exercises (USMC)
- Notre Dame/Yale Leadership Conferences
- Fall/Spring Reviews or Parades
- Fall/Spring Formal Events
- Campus and Community volunteer activities







Yale Leadership Conference







#### **Outside of the Unit**



- Student Volunteer Organizations
- Varsity Sports Teams
- Club Sports Organizations
- Campus Ambulance/EMS
- Musical Groups
- Academic Societies
- Campus Ministry





# **Unique Advantage**



#### Close Relationships

- Adjacent active-duty units
  - NTAG Philly
  - 3/14 (USMC I&I unit)
- Penn Med
- Union League of Philadelphia
- Navy League
- Marine Corps League
- Travis Manion Foundation
- Warrior Canine Connection
- Veterans' Organizations





### **Parental Involvement**



- Different relationship than when your student was in high school
  - Teacher-Student-Parent
  - Staff-Student relationships are key
  - FERPA privacy requirements
- Quitting/Drop on Request (DOR)
- Leave of Absence (LOA)
- Disenrollment





#### **Watershed Moment**



- May be a tough day for you.
  - Ask any questions to help put your mind at ease
  - Begin considering the change in relationships
- Our entire job is your student's intellectual, personal, physical, and emotional development!



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# **Questions?**