



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
EASTERN REGION, UNITED STATES ARMY CADET COMMAND
MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

ATOE-ETN-MT

MEMORANDUM FOR MS IV Cadets

SUBJECT: Military Science 4110 for Fall semester

1. **PURPOSE.** To outline and explain the course requirements for MS 4110 (BOLC I).
2. **COURSE DESCRIPTION.** Military Science 4110 is a three-credit hour course designed to build progressively on your military leadership skills. This is your final year of pre-commissioning training prior to becoming a lieutenant in the U.S. Army. The course is divided into classroom, lab, field training exercises (FTXs), and other Blue Raider Battalion training events. Class/Lab are Tuesday and Thursday from 0940-1245. There are several other events this semester you are required to attend such as Welcome Back Picnic, Veteran's Salute, and Fall FTX .
3. **MISSION STATEMENT.** Prepare and train the MS IV class and underclassmen/women to excel as leaders in the U.S. Army. Your mission is to give 100% toward developing your leadership skills.
4. **PHILOSOPHY.** The cadre will teach, coach and mentor you individually and as a team to develop you into effective junior leaders. Strive to meet the high standards established for you. Always set the example and make the Blue Raider Battalion proud.
5. **OUTCOME:** Cadets have developed proficiency in planning, executing, and assessing complex operations, while functioning as a member of a staff. Cadets are capable of assessing risk and making ethical decisions. Further, they are capable of leading cadets at lower levels and providing them performance feedback.
6. **GOALS.**
 - a. Prepare MS IV cadets to succeed as officers in the U.S. Army.
 - b. Inspire MS IV cadets to compete and excel in all areas of leadership, technical and tactical ability, and physical training.
7. **GENERAL.**
 - a. **Course Outline.** The enclosed outline provides a general description of the subject material to be covered this semester and the preparation required. You are expected to read, study, learn, and know what is required of you for all training that is conducted.

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b. Attendance Policy. MS 4110 is not a normal college course. You made a personal commitment by signing a contract to become an officer in the U.S. Army. If you haven't begun to commit yourself fully toward this goal, do so now. Your commitment involves accepting the responsibility to attend class, lab and all other required events. Class and PT attendance are mandatory. Each unexcused absence from class, lab, physical training, or other required training will result in a two-point deduction from your final grade.

c. Class Conduct. Be professional at all times. Be on time with the necessary materials. In accordance with military customs and courtesies, you are expected to call the appropriate command when either an officer or NCO enters the room, i.e., "attention" for an officer and "at ease" for an NCO. You will address instructors (and other cadre) by their appropriate rank and name, or simply "sergeant" or "sir". Knock before entering my office.

d. Physical Fitness Standards. Make physical fitness training a key part of your overall program to becoming an officer. This is the fastest and best way to a quick, strong start as a lieutenant! The PT program is designed to develop you into solid physical condition. PT is Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 0600 until 0700 indoors and outdoors at specified locations. Your goal is to achieve 300 points on the APFT. An APFT will be conducted at the end of each month. MS IVs scoring 90 points in each event will be APFT graders for MS I, II, & III cadets. MS IV cadets must confirm that you scored above 90 in each event prior to grading APFTs. MS IVs who do not score 90 or above in each event are not eligible to grade APFTs.

e. Uniform. The uniform for class and lab will be the army combat uniform (ACU), Class A, or Class B uniform. The class/lab/training uniform for the next scheduled training will be announced in the preceding class. All cadets will have a regulation haircut and be clean-shaven. The Improved Physical Fitness Uniform (IPFU) consisting of Army black shorts, Army gray shirt, safety belt, and white socks with running shoes will be worn at each PT session. The Army track suit with black gloves or inserts and watch cap will be worn during inclement weather conditions. All uniform requirements are covered in AR 670-1 and in the Cadet Handbook.

8. GRADING SCALE. Grading will be in accordance with MTSU's 10-point scale.

a. Grade Breakdown

- Support Form-JODSF	10 pts	
- Writing Requirements	10 pts	
- APFT	20 pts	
- Test	30 pts	(2x15 points each)
- Two tests will be administered throughout the Fall term.		
- Leadership		
(Attendance, participation in required instruction/training, MS IV position duty performance)	<u>30 pts</u>	
TOTAL	100 pts	

b. APFT. 90+ points in each event = 20 points/80+ points in each event = 17 pts

70+ points in each event = 14 points/60+ points in each event = 10 pts

Scores between ranges will be interpolated. (Up to 5 points will be added for 300+ APFT Scores)

c. Grading Scale:

A - 90-100

C - 70-79

B - 80-89

D - 60-69

C - 70-79

F - 59 and below

9. COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE. I will counsel each MS IV throughout the semester. My door is always open; stop by any time you need to talk. The office phone number is (615) 898-2406.

10. STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY STANDARDS OF CIVIL BEHAVIOR: Middle Tennessee State University is committed to sustaining an environment of tolerance for diversity among its students, staff, and faculty. In addition, the University acknowledges a responsibility for encouraging all members of the community to observe certain standards of civility in their interactions with one another. The choice to associate one's self with this fellowship of scholars is freely made by each participant but obligates those who do join to observe the following expectations for civilized conduct within the MTSU community:

- a. The practice of personal honesty in all matters;
- b. A positive regard for the dignity and value of each citizen in the community;
- c. Respect for the individual rights and possessions of community members;
- d. Disdain for bigotry and hatred expressed in any form or medium and directed toward identifiable groups or individuals in the community;
- e. Tolerance for the convictions and opinions of others, even when not in agreement with one's own beliefs;
- f. A recognition of community members' mutual needs and concerns and acceptance of a responsibility held in common to support the personal growth and efforts of each individual in furtherance of the well-being of the entire community.

11. HONOR CODE AND ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: A cadet will not lie, cheat, or steal nor tolerate those who do. Integrity and honor are sacred. No one can take your integrity away – you give it away. If you fail to comply with the honor code, you risk disenrollment from the Military Science program. Academic misconduct is defined as: plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, or facilitating any such act. The following definitions apply:

(1) Plagiarism. The adoption or reproduction of ideas, words, statements, images, or works of another person as one's own without proper acknowledgment.

(2) Cheating. Using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise. The term academic exercise includes all forms of work submitted for credit or hours.

(3) Fabrication. Unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.

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(4) Facilitation. Helping or attempting to help another to violate a provision of the institutional code of academic misconduct.

12. This semester will be challenging and tiring, but well worth the effort you put into it as individuals and as a team. Push yourself to the maximum of your ability in all areas.

13. ***Blue Raiders!***

Encl

//ORIGINAL SIGNED//
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