Air Force Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (AFROTC)

MTSU students may participate in the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) at Detachment 790 on the campus of Tennessee State University. AFROTC provides pre-commissioning training to college students (male and female) who desire to serve as officers in the U.S. Air Force (USAF).

High school students may also apply for the AFROTC College Scholarship Program online at www.AFROTC.com. The application deadline is typically December 1 of the senior year. Detailed eligibility requirements are available on the AFROTC Web site.

As AFROTC cadets, the majority of students will earn scholarships that may cover all or a significant portion of tuition costs. In addition, cadets earn a monthly stipend of up to $400 and up to $510 per academic year to pay for textbooks.

Cadets are required to attend AFROTC classes in uniform one day per week. One summer, typically between the sophomore and junior year, cadets must attend a four-week military training session. The combination of USAF military education, training, and college-level curriculum gives cadets a broad-based knowledge of management, leadership, and technical skills.

The minimum eligibility requirements are as follows: U.S. citizen, thirty years old or younger on December 31 of the year of graduation (exception—prior enlisted), meet USAF weight standards, pass a physical fitness test, have a 2.5+ cumulative college GPA, and pass the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (a USAF-unique academic aptitude test).

Although the USAF will accept students from any accredited academic major, there is a critical need for engineers (all disciplines) and meteorologists. Upon graduation, cadets will earn USAF commissions as second lieutenants and must serve a minimum of four years on active duty.

For more information, visit www.AFROTC.com or telephone the Detachment 790 Unit Admissions Officer at (615) 963-5931. Also visit the Detachment 790 Web site at www.tnstate.edu/rotc.