NAVAL SCIENCE (NSCI)

NSCI 100 Naval Science Drill
A professional laboratory covering various aspects of naval leadership and professional development. While emphasis is given to military marching, formation, and parade, the course also includes lectures from sources in and out of the Navy. Guest speakers cover topics such as leadership, Navy career paths, equal opportunity, rights and responsibilities, AIDS awareness, terrorism/counterterrorism, naval warfare doctrine, employment of naval forces, ethics and values, operations security, and safety.
One-term course offered either term
Prerequisites: Prerequisite (Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors) Fall NSCI 101/ Spring NSCI 102
Corequisite: Corequisite (Freshmen) Fall NSCI 101/Spring NSCI 102
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
NSCI 101 Naval Orientation
A course designed to familiarize the student with the history, characteristics and present employment of sea power. Particular emphasis is placed upon our naval forces and their capability in achieving and maintaining our national objectives. Naval organization and operational functions are discussed in conjunction with sea power concepts. Additionally, the student is given an insight into the Naval Service, shipboard organization and safety, time management skills and study techniques.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
NSCI 102 Seapower and Maritime Affairs
A broad survey of naval history designed to add historical perspective to current defense problems. Topics covered include: naval power as an aspect of national defense policy, navies as an instrument of foreign policy, strategy selection, resource control, technology, and manning.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Engineering and Nursing students receive credit
NSCI 201 Leadership & Management
This course emphasizes principles of leadership, personnel and material management, and subordinate development in the context of the naval organization. Practical applications are explored through experiential exercises and case studies.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Only Engineering, Nursing, and Wharton students receive credit.
NSCI 202 Navigation I
A comprehensive study of the theory and practice of terrestrial, and electronic navigation and the laws of vessel operations. Topics include fundamentals of coastal and harbor piloting, electronic navigation and mean of navigating without reference to land. An in-depth study of the international and inland nautical Rules of the Road is also included. Case studies and practical exercises are used to reinforce the fundamentals of marine navigation.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Only Engineering students receive credit.
NSCI 301 Engineering
This course provides an overview of how propulsion and electricity are provided to our Navy's fighting ships. The basic engineering principles relating to thermodynamics, steam propulsion (conventional and nuclear), gas turbine propulsion, internal combustion engines, electricity generation and distribution, and various support systems will be taught. Ship design, stability, damage control, and some engineering-related ethical issues will also be discussed.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Only Engineering students receive credit.
NSCI 302 Weapons
This course provides an overview of the theory and concepts underlying modern weapons systems. The principles behind sensors and detection systems, tracking systems, computational systems, weapon delivery systems, and the fire control problem will be examined, with a consistent emphasis on the integration of these components into a "weapons system". Case studies will be used to illustrate and reinforce concepts introduced in the course.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Only Engineering students receive credit.
NSCI 310 Evolution of Warfare
This course is designed to add broad historical perspective to understanding military power. Treating war and the military as an integral part of society, the course deals with such topics as: war as an instrument of foreign policy, military influences on foreign policy, the military as a reflection of society, manning and strategy selection.
Course offered fall; even-numbered years
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
NSCI 401 Navigation II
Insight into modern naval operations is gained through analysis of relative motion pertaining to ships at sea, underway replenishment, shiphandling, and tactical communications. The process of command and control and leadership is examined through case studies of actual incidents at sea.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
NSCI 402 Leadership and Ethics
The capstone course of the NROTC curriculum, this course is intended to provide the midshipman with the ethical foundation and basic leadership tools to be effective junior officers. Topics such as responsibility, accountability, ethics, the law of armed conflict, military law, division organization and training, and discipline are introduced through practical exercises, group discussion, and case studies.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit
Notes: Only Wharton students receive credit.
NSCI 410 Fundamentals of Maneuver Warfare
This course prepares future military officers and other leaders for service by studying modern tactical principles, current military developments, and other aspects of warfare and their interactions with the influences on maneuver warfare doctrine. There is a specific focus on the United States Marine Corps as the premier maneuver warfighting organization. Study also includes historical influences on tactical, operational, and strategic levels of maneuver warfare practices in the current and future operating environments.
Course offered fall; odd-numbered years
Activity: Lecture
1 Course Unit