

SPORTS

ROTC - What Do They Do?

When most people think about ROTC, they picture either high school students performing jody drill at high school drill meets or college students running around the woods in jungle fatigues. There is another aspect to ROTC.

The Air Force ROTC program under the direction of Lt. Col. Walter T. Howland, Professor of Aerospace Studies, is dedicated to helping students find careers in the Air Force as officers. But before students can become officers there are several steps that they must go through. The typical student would enroll in the ROTC program as freshman. At that time, they would enter the GMC (General Military Course). While in the GMC, the cadet

would take the AFOQT (Air Force Officers Qualifying Test). After passing the AFOQT, the cadet would be enlisted into the POC (Professional Officer Course). After successfully completing the POC, the typical cadet would be commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the US Air Force.

Becoming an officer in the Air Force is a challenging, but obtainable goal. The first step is enrolling in the GMC. In the GMC, cadets are exposed to a military environment while trying to decide if they want to really pursue a career in the Air Force. The GMC cadets take one hour per week of academic instruction and another hour of leadership training. In the academic portion of the course,

students learn about the history and organization of the Air Force. Then, in leadership laboratory, cadets learn how to march, how to wear the Air Force uniform, and they are taught military customs and courtesies. Second year GMC cadets are also given the opportunity to develop elementary leadership skills by holding basic leadership positions.

A special time for ROTC cadets comes during the summer of their sophomore year. Cadets attend Field Training (also, deceptively known as Summer Camp). While at camp, cadets are subjected to rigorous physical and mental training in preparation for entry in the POC.

Upon returning from Field

Training, cadets are enlisted into the Inactive Reserve component of the Air Force. It is at this time that cadets incur an obligation to the Air Force. It is also at this time that the cadet starts receiving a subsistence allowance of \$100.00 per month (tax free) to help defray some of the expenses of attending college. But more importantly, POC cadets are guaranteed that if they graduate from college on time and successfully complete the POC, they will have a job in the Air Force. The POC cadets are enrolled in 3 hours per week of academic instruction where they learn about management principals and leadership styles and traits. POCs also run the leadership lab. During lab,

POCs are able to apply the leadership skills they learned in class.

Academically promising cadets are sometimes awarded AFROTC scholarships. The scholarships are highly competitive but well worth it. Tuition, books, and fees are covered by the scholarship. Scholarship recipients are also given a stipend of \$100.00 per month.

The ROTC program at FSU has two components. The headquarters is located at FSU while a smaller component is located at Pembroke State University. Detachment 607, as the ROTC program at FSU is known, has a total enrollment of 80 cadets.

In addition to the required ROTC courses, AFROTC participates in a number of university and community support projects. Detachment 607 provides color guards for all home football games and many other university functions. ROTC has also participated in the Sickle Cell 10k Run and in the Arms Around Fayetteville project.

So, as you can see, there is more to ROTC than marching and running around in jungle fatigues. Cadets are taught the skills they will need to become successful officers in the Air Force and valued members of the community. For more information contact Captain Kevin Mack at 486-1464, or visit the ROTC offices on the first floor of the Women's Gym.

Student Academic Advisory Program

by Judy Allen

This year FSU has initiated a new program to assist the freshman class in adjusting to its new environment. The Student Academic Advisory Program (SAAP) is designed to match upperclassmen with incoming freshmen. The program was started by Mr. Hayden Renwick, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor. SAAP members must maintain an academic performance level of nothing less than a 2.50 GPA and have a good social standing on campus. Student advisors are assigned a certain number of freshmen to serve as an academic advisor. Each advisor is required to submit data information forms that include advisee information such as class schedule, major, and campus address. Throughout the remainder of the school year, the advisor meets with their advisees at least twice a month to check their academic and social adjustment to college life.

The student advisors are required to attend monthly staff meeting designed to disseminate information of interest to SAAP participants. These meetings also give the advisor an opportunity to discuss problems that they encounter during the month.

During Orientation Week, the student advisor was mainly concerned with helping the freshmen register for classes, citing the locations of buildings where his or her classes were to be held and helping with the awareness of important dates and academic resources on campus.

Blue Thunder

For the first time in a long time, FSU's football team will be a major contender for the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Championship.

After an outstanding 6-2-2 season last year, Head Coach Robert Pulliam enters his fourth season with the second best winning percentage in FSU coaching history.

Last season, after losing to Savannah State, FSU racked up three straight wins, including a victory over N.C. Central, the first-ever in FSU history. Unfortunately, the streak did not continue through the end of the season resulting in a loss to Winston-Salem State, and a tie with Bowie State. Blue Thunder regrouped for three more victories, but ended the season with a tie against J.C. Smith.

Aside from the end of the season, 1987 was a good year

for the Blue and White. Seven players were named to the All-CIAA team and three of those seven made the Black College Sports, Inc. All-American Team. A total of sixteen school records were either tied or broken last season as well.

The loss of All-CIAA, All-American and four-year starter Randy Ladson, and All-CIAA linebackers Phillip Julious and Darryl Hill could destroy a defense. However, Coach Pulliam feels confident that his nationally ranked defensive squad will be able to maintain its position among the elite of Division II football.

All-CIAA performers Russell Rhames and Willie Hopkins, who intercepted seven passes last year, will anchor a defensive line that collected 46 quarterback sacks. George Hatchell returns to the starting defensive end

position while the team's second leading sacker David Allsbrook (6.5 sacks last season) and Richard Davis fight to start opposite Rhames.

Boning up his linebacking slots, Coach Pulliam plans to move some of his defensive linemen off the line of scrimmage. Andre Bowden, will be moving out of the line to become an outside linebacker.

Former nose guards George Coleman (32 tackles), Scottie Mack (30 tackles) and Scott Farmer will back up Donnell Maultsby and Tony Ray, now at starting positions. Cornerbacks Marvin Price (54 tackles and 18 deflected passes) and Craig Sanders (24 unassisted tackles and 10 deflected passes) bring two years of experience to the defensive backfield. Finally, Sidney Samuels returns to start at strong safety while highly-regarded sophomore Ronnie McNair takes

over the free safety position.

Although six offensive records were tied or broken last season, Coach Pulliam is losing for greater productivity from the offensive aspect of Blue Thunder. The "run and shoot" offense used last year struggled throughout the year, excluding the fantastic effort of Paul "Little General" Stevens. The 5'9", 170 lb. quarterback accounted for over one-half of the FSU total offense with 585 yards rushing and 726 passing yards.

All-CIAA tackle Terrence Hall will lead the veteran offensive line. Senior guards John Legette and Steve Galloway, tackle Corky Dismute and last year's backup center Alex Scott will also return to a unit that saw a sizable increase in rushing yardage over the 1986 season.

The running back will be looking for improved performances from both slot backs and at fullback.

Both Glen McFadden and Richard Jewell were injury-plagued last season. If the quickness of McFadden and Jewell don't work, FSU will bring on its "Moose Caboose Buffalo Backfield" featuring James Branch (5.0 yards per carry average) and Rickey Barnes (3.6 yards per carry average).

Fullback was another position requiring attention. Wayne Branch has moved across the line to fill the void. Waiting in the wings is Donnell Lewis, who averaged nearly two yards per carry in limited play.

Wide receiver is the biggest question mark on offense. Ronnie Barnes and James Bryant are more than likely to get the starting nod.

However, "Anthony's" Edwards and Barnes along with converted backs Goodson and James Parker could see action as messenger backs in the FSU offensive scheme.

FSU Announces Scholarship Recipients

Fayetteville State University is proud to announce the recipients of the University Academic Scholarship for the 1988-89 academic school year.

Name	Hometown
Veronica Hall	Beaulaville, N.C.
Kimberly Smith	Fayetteville, N.C.
Stacey Staton	Nashville, N.C.
Kesha L. Tysor	Goldston, N.C.
Rachel Carter	Riegelwood, N.C.
Anthony Williams	Clinton, N.C.
Karin Rawls	Rose Hill, N.C.
Ruby Honeycutt	Fayetteville, N.C.
Conieka Stevenson	Warrenton, N.C.
Calvin Williams	Elizabethtown, N.C.
Priscilla McDuffie	Warsaw, N.C.
James Flowers	Spring Lake, N.C.
Stephanie Graham	Raeford, N.C.
Kimberly Harrington	Lilesville, N.C.
Kaydra Mack	Ansonville, N.C.
Jennifer Rorie	Wadesboro, N.C.
Deborah Witcher	Eden, N.C.
Victoria Baxley	White Oak, N.C.
Douglas Clanton	Fayetteville, N.C.
Anthony Smith	Magnolia, N.C.
April Tanner	Louisburg, N.C.
Nicki Council	Robersonville, N.C.
Angela Mallory	Tarboro, N.C.
Cortina Pearson	Fayetteville, N.C.
Krystal Lucas	Fayetteville, N.C.
Patrice Terrell	Fayetteville, N.C.
Tracey Jackson	Fayetteville, N.C.
Johnette Henderson	Fayetteville, N.C.
Shirley Jackson	Fayetteville, N.C.
Delia S. Skeete	Fayetteville, N.C.
Jeffrey Robinson	Garland, N.C.
Jay Clark	Erwin, N.C.

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1988 Football Schedule

Sept. 3	Savannah State	Savannah, Ga.	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 10	Elizabeth City St.	Wilmington, N.C.	2:00 p.m.
Sept. 17	West Chester	West Chester, Pa.	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	N.C. Central	Bronco Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Winston-Salem St.	Winston-Salem, N.C.	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	Bowie State	Bronco Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	J.C. Smith (HC)	Bronco Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 29	Morris Brown	Atlanta, Ga.	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 5	Livingstone	Bronco Stadium	1:30 p.m.

