“Is collaboration important in leadership?”

- MIDN 1/C Jasmine Sweet

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NROTC UNIT HISTORY

The Naval ROTC Unit at Savannah State University (then Savannah State College) was established on 22 September 1971 with an enrollment of forty-one Midshipmen. The first four officers, three Navy Ensigns and one Marine Corps Second Lieutenant, were commissioned in June 1974. In December 1977, the first "cross-town" Midshipman from Armstrong Atlantic State University (then Armstrong State College) was commissioned.

SSU NROTC graduates include 1 Marine Corps Lieutenant General (O-9), 2 Navy Rear Admirals (O-7), several Navy Captains (O-6) and Commanders (O-5), as well as the first Black officer to fly with and then command the Navy Blue Angels.

Our officers have held positions in command that include: major Marine Corps commands, a Destroyer Squadron, Aviation Squadrons, ships at the O-4 and O-5 level in the CRUDES, AMPHIB and MCM communities, Marine Corps units, O-6 Major Command Ashore and other Shore installations.
Savannah State University

In this spring semester of 2015 Savannah State University, which has been the primary home of our Naval Reserve Officers Training Corp program since its establishment in 1971, has begun celebrating its 125th birthday.

The oldest historically black institution in the state of Georgia, Savannah State University continues to rise. Educating, and developing our future leaders who bring life to the motto:

“You can get anywhere from here!.”

However, in celebration of this year our campus as well as the programs offered here have decided to highlight students that are: Bold, Proud, Smart, and all around Impressive.

Since our midshipmen exemplify all of these qualities daily it is only right that we incorporate the same.
The purpose of Bull Dog is to prepare...

Marine Option Midshipman morally, intellectually, and physically for the rigors of Officer Candidate School, which all Marine Options will attend after their junior year of college.

Bull Dog is in session!!!

Bull Dog is an exercise primarily for the Marine Option midshipmen that takes place every spring semester. Forcing them to push themselves past their limits, encouraging teamwork, and individual development.

“Failure will never overtake me if my determination to succeed is strong enough”
-Og Mandino
So you want to be

The FEX
Weekends of fun at Parris Island!

Whole new definition of PT?
a Marine Corps Officer?

A hike, you say?

2015 OCS Candidates
MIDN 2/C Jones, MIDN 2/C Collins, MIDN 2/C Gordon, MIDN 2/C James, MIDN 2/C Williams
Midshipmen in the community

We work!
Employed Midshipmen

We play!
Midshipmen fun

We lead!
Midshipmen leading outside of the unit
Many midshipman also have jobs throughout the Savannah community. These midshipmen show their dedication to the unit as they manage their time effectively to between the program and work, becoming the leaders of their peers in both area.

We work!
Employed Midshipmen

We lead!
Midshipmen leading outside of the unit

Regardless of whether or not a midshipman is holding a position within the NROTC program itself, every midshipman is seen as a leader throughout the campus, and community. Some of our midshipmen have even taken on leadership positions outside of the program, such as: President of the HSEMSO club, President of the ENVS club, President of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., and the list goes on.

We play!
Midshipmen fun

Whether through comradery events or just a small group gathering on the weekends the midshipmen always find a way to have fun and let off some steam. Some of the activities include: Skating, Paintball, Marathons, Tybee Island, and Chili’s.
Mess Night

Spring Review
Rear Admiral Annie B. Andrews

A graduate of Savannah State University, Rear Admiral Andrews is currently in command of the Navy Recruiting Command, she was also the commencement speaker for Savannah State Universities Fall 2015 graduating class on May 9th.
The Savannah State /Armstrong State University Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program is made up of over one-hundred motivated midshipmen, that are determined to leave this program as the best ensigns and 2nd Lieutenants available to lead those fighting in our United States Navy and Marine Corps. not all who start this program will finish, but everyone who enters will grow.

Our midshipman are: Smart, Bold, and Proud!
Welcome Aboard

Welcome Captain Todd Lacy as Savannah State University’s new Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Commanding Officer.

Captain Lacy earned his commission through the University of South Carolina (USC) NROTC program in May of 1993.

After he earned his Naval Flight Officer designation during his initial shore assignments with VS-27 and NSGA Edzell, Scotland, he commenced training at Pensacola and San Antonio.

Captain Lacy then went on to graduate from the U.S. Naval War College (NWC) and its associated Naval Command College. After graduation he was assigned to the NWC staff as a Military Professor of Strategy and Policy.

Captain Lacy reported to Savannah State University in March 2015 to command the NROTC unit and serve as its Professor of Naval Science.

Farewell

We would like to say farewell to CAPT. Clark T. Price who led our unit for the past 3 years, bringing in the biggest graduating class in the program’s history.

We would also like to say farewell to Capt. Arthur L. Graham III who has been with our unit for the past three years, strengthening our budget and working tirelessly to help shape our midshipmen, while promoting campus pride.

Lastly, we would like to say goodbye and good luck to our Spring 2015 commissioning class in alphabetical order.

Ens. Jarrel Boyce
Ens. Tia Burton
Ens. Karla Calderon
2nd Lt. Megan Campbell
Ens. Devann Carter
Ens. Reginald Demery
Ens. Charise Fogle
Ens. Angelica Glover
Ens. Travis Greenaway
Ens. Kristian Hawkins
Ens. Christiana Johnson
Ens. Vanda Johnson
Ens. Kiara King
Ens. Mayra Perez
Ens. Brandon Russell
Ens. Mayra Perez
2nd Lt. Jared Smith
Ens. Crystal Stubbs
Ens. Lanika Vann
2nd Lt. Ronald Wayne
Ens. Branson Machen
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