

MEMORANDUM FOR Corps of Cadets

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #9, FULL PARTICIPATION in the Corps of Cadets

1. Purpose. The purpose of this policy letter is to provide the definition of "Full Participation" to all members of the Boar's Head Brigade. For the purpose of this letter, the ROTC Training Program at NGCSU and the NGCSU Corps of Cadets are synonymous.
2. Background. In the spring of 2009, the Georgia Student Finance Commission requested that NGCSU provide a complete definition of "full time participation" as it applies to members of the NGCSU Corps of Cadets. The university responded with a definition which has become the standard for all cadets, both resident and non-resident. Full participation in the North Georgia Corps of Cadets is required by all members of the Boar's Head Brigade, regardless of age, gender, rank or lifestyle (resident or non-resident student).
3. **Effective 1 July 2009, full participation in the North Georgia Corps of Cadets is defined as follows:**
 - a. Full time student at NGCSU, enrolled for at least 12 academic hours in the spring/fall semesters
 - b. Successful completion of a prescribed Military Science course every fall and spring semester, unless exempted in writing by the Professor of Military Science or his representative. This includes scheduled classroom instruction, leadership laboratory ("Monday Drill"), and physical training (PT) sessions three times weekly. Note: the award of an "F" or "WF" in any Military Science course constitutes unsuccessful completion of the course and may also result in a dismissal from the Corps of Cadets
 - c. Participation in all mandatory activities/events scheduled by the PMS and the Commandant of Cadets, unless excused by these officers or their representatives
 - d. Residing in military residence halls as directed by the Commandant of Cadets, unless permission is granted in writing to participate as a military non-resident student
 - e. In full compliance with U.S. Army Cadet Command Directives and Policies
 - f. In full compliance with the Corps of Cadets Blue Book and all directives and policies prescribed by the Commandant of Cadets
 - g. Assigned full-time to a cadet unit (or staff), under the supervision of a student-led chain of command
 - h. Required to wear a prescribed military uniform daily unless excused by the Commandant of Cadets (AR 145-1)
 - i. Cadet in a Study Away status will abide by items (a), (b), and (e) above but will be exempt from items (c), (g). Study Away is defined as an official North Georgia College and State University program that requires the Cadet to be away from campus for a term. The Study Away must be part of an academic requirement and approved by the Professor of Military Science or his designated representative.
4. Failure to maintain status. Cadets who fail to abide by the provisions in paragraph 3 above are not full participants in the Corps of Cadets. In such cases, they may forfeit grants, stipends, commander's pay, and scholarship benefits. Similarly, if contracted to become Army Officers, they could place their commission in jeopardy, as determined solely by the Professor of Military Science. Finally, RESIDENT CADETS who are unable to abide by all provisions above should request an exemption in writing to the Commandant of Cadets if they desire to live in residence halls for the remainder of the semester, especially if they drop below 12 attempted hours in any given semester. If approved, the exemption will last until the end of that semester only. The Commandant reserves the right to terminate occupancy in the residence halls unless all criteria above are met. See room contract for exact provisions, and note that room occupancy requires full time academic status.
5. GMS recipients and Georgia Grant/Future Officers Grant recipients. Note that the definition of full participation above shall be used by the university to determine GMS eligibility and eligibility for the Georgia Grant/ Future Officers Grant.
6. POC for this policy letter is the Commandant of Cadets, 706-864-1786.

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