

The Department of Military Instruction's mission is to educate and inspire the U.S. Corps of Cadets in the essence of warfighting and the Profession of Arms to develop future Army officers with the proper values, leadership skills, military skills, character, and warrior ethos to lead America's soldiers effectively.

### DMI ACADEMY SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Department of Military Instruction's Academic Scholars Program (ASP) provide unique personal and professional development opportunities for cadets through an array of internship opportunities throughout the world. Programs are selected based on their ability to enhance student learning, connect theoretical concepts to the real world, and support Defense Strategic Studies (DSS) program goals. Cadets express high levels of satisfaction with these ASPs considering the focus on military-to-military relationships, academic advancement, research, and networking with specially designated units. These unique experiences broaden cadets' perspectives and provide them with practical knowledge that will enhance their undergraduate experience and better prepare them for service in the Army.

DMI's ASPs provide cadets valuable experiences in preparation for a life of service in the profession of arms. Embedding cadets with various units within and outside of the Army enable them to gain an in-depth understanding of the complexity of joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational partnerships. Through these ASPs, cadets can better appreciate their role and contribution to the National Defense Strategy. The cadets see and experience operations where host nation forces, the State Department, and other government agencies lead while DOD functions as a supporting role. Cadets also observe how real-world challenges are solved by Army units and the joint force. Cadets see how sister services and non-DOD agencies provide solutions to complex problems.

DMI ASPs also develop the cadets' cross-cultural competency. Cadets learn how to work through language barriers when working with foreign partners to form unit cohesion and trust within the formation. DMI's AIADs enable cadets to work directly with international partners to gain an appreciation of why bilateral engagements are so critical to U.S. strategy. Cadets receive firsthand lessons in the criticality of effective cooperation and communication between partners and allies. Cadets see how the U.S. leverages alliances to solves strategic problems. They also gain insight into how our international partners act and how to work with them effectively.

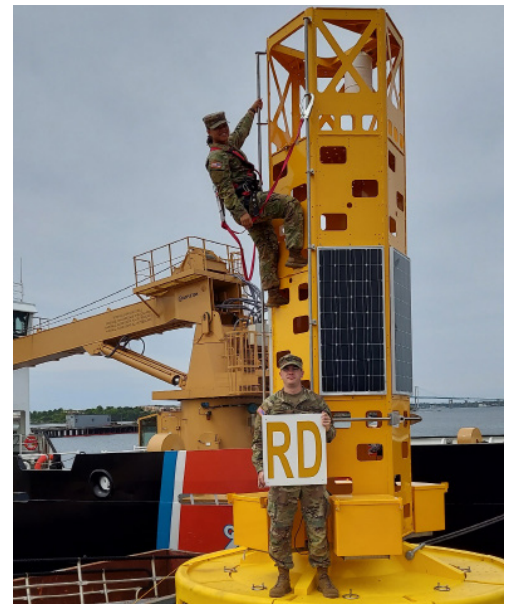
The ASP program ties cadet academics to the realm of strategy and the profession of arms. Cadets gain insight into how senior leaders make decisions and solve problems. They are afforded the opportunity to see everything that goes into tactical, operational, and strategic decision making. Cadets witness how senior leaders critically analyze problems and formulate strategy at the highest level. Cadets gain direct insight on how tactical decisions influence military strategy. Furthermore, cadets receive valuable mentorship from high performing officers and NCOs from around the world on how to become better leaders and critical thinkers.



COL Morales, CDT Grubb, CDT Celaya, CDT Braun, CDT Tichenor, MAJ McClary, and LTC Hughes at the Center for Army Analysis Internship.



CDT Uta Givens (right) with MG Seely Georgia while on the Japanese Embassy AIAD.



CDT Drigo (top) and CDT Ayres (bottom) on the Coast Guard Research and Development Center AIAD.



*Opportunities include:*

**Strategy and Policy through the Israel Lens Staff Ride (various locations in Israel):**

Cadets experience a once in a lifetime tour of the entire country of Israel to better comprehend the state's strategic relevance

**Germany Staff Ride (Munich, Stuttgart, Berlin):** Visit political, historical, and culturally relevant sites to DSS in Germany

**Army Futures Command Internship (Austin, TX):** Conduct research about the future of war while contributing to revisions of the next Army Operating Concept

**Japanese Embassy Internship (Washington, DC):** Understand U.S./Japan political relations and security policies

**Special Forces "Robin Sage" Exercise (Fort Bragg, NC):** Learn and experience the concept of unconventional warfare alongside future green berets in the Robin Sage exercise

**Operational Planning Team (Fort Bragg, NC):** Conduct joint and interagency planning and coordination with senior leaders within the PSYOP, Civil Affairs, and Special Forces regiments

**Federal Bureau of Investigation Internship (Cleveland, OH):** Participate in national-level domestic investigations that threaten U.S. interests

**Lockheed Martin Internship (Orlando, FL):** Understand, develop, and integrate new technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, autonomous systems, advanced manufacturing, and cyber capabilities

**Nuclear Triad Staff Ride (various locations):** Engage with the units responsible for maintaining and deploying U.S. nuclear capabilities from each warfare domain

**Naval Postgraduate School Wargaming Course (Monterey, CA):** Participate in a wargaming course that focuses on countering chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear threats

**Center for Army Analysis (Fort Belvoir, VA):** Interdisciplinary internship with Systems Engineering, Operations Research, and DSS cadets focused on improving strategic level wargaming for the Army staff

**CREATE YOUR OWN!** We are an agile and adaptable program that is willing to create new and innovative opportunities that fall within the spirit of DSS. Cadets, donors, and faculty routinely generate new AIAD opportunities every year.

*Funding Needs*

DMI Academy Scholars Program .....	\$4.7 million endowment
Cadet (1) .....	\$150,000 endowment/\$6,000 annual