

EXCELSIOR BATTALION

SEMESTER RECOIL



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Excelsior Recoil

Stay connected to the leaders of tomorrow.

The idea to revamp the Excelsior Battalion Semester Recoil came from Cadets Emily Michaels and Sophia Bergen. Their vision this year was to improve battalion image within and outside of the organization. We created this newsletter in hopes to inspire, inform, and illuminate those who stumble across our leadership program. We are more than cadets; We are the future leaders of the world.

MESSAGE FROM

Sophia Bergen

SP 23 Battalion Commander



Excelsior Battalion Cadet, Family, Friends and Alumni,

The Excelsior Battalion is composed of students who excel in their respective fields, contribute to campus culture through extracurriculars, and have committed their future to the service of this country. We are scientists, athletes, scholars, dancers, and everything in between. It is through this Battalion that I have met some of the most amazing people: people that I am privileged to call my friends and role models. They push me to be the best version of myself, to lead authentically, and to pour passion into all of my commitments.

I had three primary goals for this semester:

1. Strive for excellence in physical training.
2. Build stronger respect for and dedication to the Army Profession.
3. Prepare cadets for immediate next steps in their Army careers.

Through physical training, training exercises, and additional extracurricular programming we have accomplished these objectives together. The MSIV staff has worked cohesively to realize the potential of our Battalion. As a result, we have become better team members and leaders.

This newsletter is an opportunity to showcase and celebrate the hard work of Excelsior Battalion cadets. Here you will find snapshots of who we are and what we are able to achieve together. I am proud to have served as the Spring Battalion Commander to the Excelsior Battalion, and look forward to the success of current and future cadets who are lucky enough to be a part of it.

Sophia Bergen

SP23 BATTALION COMMANDER



BITTERSWEET FAREWELLS

We would like to take the time to thank our Cadre members who have moved forward with their military careers.

Thank You MSG MacVey

Master Sergeant MacVey was the introduction to the Army for the Cadets he taught. As the Military Science Instructor, MSG served as the instructor to all MS1 Cadets, as well as the Battalions expert on Army rules and regulations. Charged with the task of taking Cadets who have been alive for roughly the same as long as he's been in the Army, MSG MacVey attacked every day with a passion and commitment that was, for lack of a better term, scary at times. A Cavalry Scout, MSG made it his personal mission to inspire the same passion he holds for the Army in all the Cadets in the program. As an extremely accomplished NCO, he brought a high level of expertise to his lessons, while simultaneously keeping them grounded and digestible for the Cadets he taught. We thank MSG MacVey for the lessons he has instilled in all of us, admire him for his passion and commitment he applies to everything he does, and wish him luck on all his future endeavours!

MSG MacVey has served tours in Germany, Kuwait, and three tours in Iraq. During his time at Cornell ROTC MSG MacVey led the rifle and amateur radio clubs, and manned a boat on Cayuga Lake. MSG MacVey's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (4 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (2 Silver and 2 Bronze OLC), and a Combat Action Badge. He is a Draper Armor Leadership Award recipient, a member of the Order of Saint George and holds both Gold and Silver spurs. MSG MacVey is married to the former Alissa Grist of San Antonio, Texas. Together, they have two daughters, Eve and Lily, and one son, Colton. MSG MacVey's oldest son John lives with his mother in Ohio.

"You're training to be a leader. So make a decision and go lead!"

- MSG
Macvey

NEW BEGINNINGS

Welcome our new cadre members for the 2022-2023 school year!

Hello New Cadre!



LTC Stephen Mallory

“As odd as it sounds, I am simultaneously the new Professor of Military Science, and also the green-suiter with the second most longevity in Cornell Army ROTC. This speaks both to the size of the staff and also to the turnover in cadre here. Nevertheless, it has been an honor to serve the past year as the PMS. As a native of Ithaca, NY, I reflect on how my career led me back to the area. Like many aspects of my career, it has been a matter of luck and timing.

As an Adjutant General officer, one of the benefits of the branch is the opportunity to be assigned nearly anywhere that the Army has personnel. I wanted to be part of Army ROTC, because I have many fond memories of being a Cadet and I wanted to be part of an organization that left such a positive impression on me. I do not remember much of the curriculum, but I do vividly remember the relationships from the program, both mentor-mentee, and the friendships developed between cadets. I wanted to be part of Cornell Army ROTC, in particular, because, as an Ithaca College alum, I commissioned through Cornell Army ROTC many years ago and it holds a nostalgic element in my heart.

Unfortunately, my assignment at Cornell Army ROTC will be short-lived. For my next assignment, the Army is sending me back to MEPS. This coming summer I will move to Minnesota and assume command of USMEPCOM’s “Frozen Chosen” 1st Battalion.”



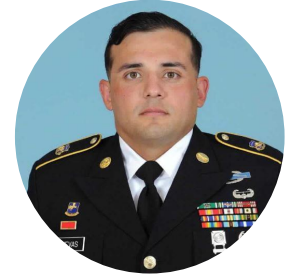
MAJ Juan Sepulveda

Major (MAJ) Juan Sepulveda enlisted in the North Carolina National Guard in his senior year of college, and graduated from Belmont Abbey College in 2009 with a Bachelor of Science in International Business. He earned his commission as a Second Lieutenant from the North Carolina Army National Guard’s Accelerated Officer Candidate School, and graduated from TBOLC at Ft. Lee, VA.

He earned his Master of Arts degree in Transportation and Logistics Management from the American Military University in 2020. In 2021, he transferred from the South Carolina National Guard to the U.S. Army Reserve, where he was assigned as a Civil Affairs Team Chief in D Co. 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion. He graduated from the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School as a Civil Affairs Officer; and was assigned as the Public Safety Officer for B Co. 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion. In 2023, he was assigned to the Cornell University Army ROTC program as an Assistant Professor of Military Science and promoted to the rank of Major.

MAJ Sepulveda’s awards and decorations include the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, and much more!

MAJ Sepulveda is married to Kara Sepulveda of Dallas, NC. Together, they have one daughter, Serena.



SFC Walter Cuevas

SFC Cuevas was raised in Las Vegas, NV. He enlisted in the Army in 2008 and was stationed at Fort Lewis, WA after One Station Unit Training at Ft. Benning, GA. In 2014, he was deployed to Afghanistan as Mortar Section Leader. Upon redeployment, he received orders for Fort Carson, CO, where he volunteered to attend Drill Sergeant School. In 2017, he relocated to Fort Benning, GA, and served as a Drill Sergeant.

SFC Cuevas volunteered to become a Military Science Instructor at Cornell University where he currently serves as the Senior Military Science Instructor teaching MS1 Cadets.

“It was very gratifying being a Drill Sergeant. After my Platoon Sergeant development time was complete and being in Fort Drum for 21/2 half years, I wanted nothing more than to move down south and teach. When I saw all my possible upcoming assignments, the only ROTC positions that were available were Virginia Tech, Cornell, and Western Michigan. I chose Virginia Tech 1st, Cornell 2nd, and Western Michigan 3rd. I’m glad I ended up at Cornell. There are a lot more perks in smaller ROTC organizations, it gives me the ability to focus more on getting to know our future officers and more time to train, develop, and mentor Cadets.”

He is married to Breanna; they have two sons, Juhlien (12) and Khasen (10), and one daughter, Makehhnzee (2).

Meet cadets from the Excelsior Battalion as they share how Army ROTC has impacted them as a college student.

CADET SPOTLIGHT

CDT DANE RICHARDSON - MSIV

ITHACA COLLEGE

My name is Dane Richardson and I am a MSIV cadet from Oswego, New York. I made the choice to do Army ROTC because I knew I wanted to give back in some way. My father was in the New York Army National Guard for 32 years and set an example for what a good officer look like and embodied selfless service. I found the perfect combination between Ithaca College's Television and Digital Media Production program and Cornell Army ROTC, and I've grown immensely the past four years.

Aside from being an Army ROTC Cadet, I am heavily involved in television and radio at Ithaca and other on-air roles. I am currently a multimedia journalist at WBNG 12 News in Binghamton, and call play-by-play for a number of Ithaca College athletics including basketball and football. A few months ago, I had the opportunity to cover Super Bowl 57 on radio row in Phoenix Arizona for Ithaca's student radio station, WICB. My favorite memory was getting to talk to Patrick Mahomes on the opening night media sessions. Being on camera and covering sports events has been a passion for me since I was little, and it is a dream I plan on pursuing professionally whether that be as a play-by-play broadcaster or reporter. You can take a look at any of my broadcast material at <https://www.danerichardson.info>.

With all that being said, I treat my service just as seriously as I treat my media career. I was fortunate to attend and graduate from Army Airborne school after my MSII year. Jumping out of a perfectly good airplane by myself for the first time is by far the craziest experience of my life to this point. Although it is sometimes difficult to balance both at times, I truly believe I have the best of both worlds. I know that I wouldn't be the young man I am today with the guidance of those in Cornell Army ROTC. I cannot wait to graduate and commission in May to start my career!

Images: Graduating Airborne school, Interviewing San Francisco Radio Play-By-Play Announcer Greg Papa at Super Bowl 57 Radio Row in Phoenix, finishing the 12 mile ruck at the end of Advanced camp.



CDT ALEXANDRA MARRIOTT - MSII

SUNY CORTLAND

My name is Ali Marriott and I am a Junior at Suny Cortland studying Early Childhood and Childhood Education. I joined Army ROTC my sophomore year of college as a way to step out of my comfort zone and just see what it was about. I instantly loved it and was excited to continue. I am currently in my second year of ROTC and plan to contract soon. Aside from ROTC, I weight lift regularly. I started a TikTok and Instagram a year ago under the name "Swole Shady". On these accounts I post fitness content including mic'd up workouts, vlogs, talks about body positivity, and more. Editing videos has always been a passion of mine and posting content daily is something I love to do. On top of posting videos, I also started a business through my fitness account making "Muscle Mommy" hoodies. I have now sold over 200 hoodies and released a website! www.swoleshady.com :) In the future I plan to continue social media, get my masters, and become an elementary school teacher, all while serving in the Army part time!

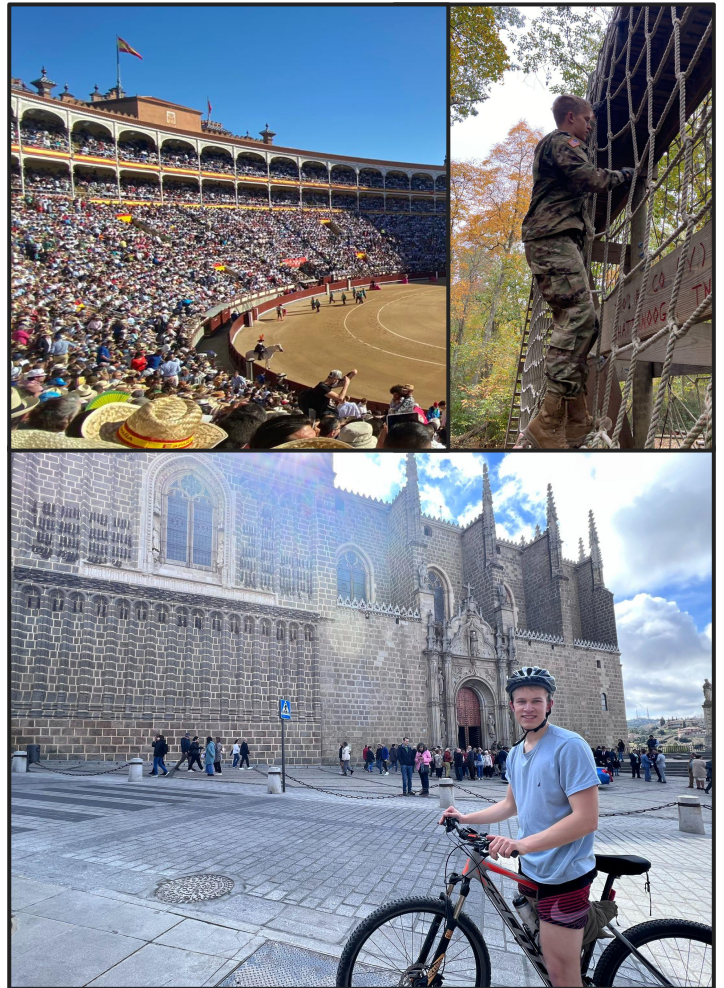
CDT JACK MEYER - MSII

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

For the Spring Semester I am studying abroad in Madrid, Spain. The decision to join Army ROTC at Cornell was fairly straightforward for me. My brother was an AROTC cadet in college, and I saw the positive effect it had on him. In regard to education, there are few universities that excel at engineering to the extent Cornell does, and even fewer near my family in upstate New York. All of these factors made the AROTC program at Cornell a perfect fit.

My time in Madrid has been extremely rewarding, and I am very grateful to be here. I have been able to experience a completely different way of life in one of the largest cities in Europe. Living with a host family has introduced me to interesting Spanish customs, like eating dinner at 10 PM and taking regular midday siestas (naps). Most importantly, living with a Spanish family has vastly improved my Spanish speaking abilities: a useful tool for connecting with new people. Madrid also has a lot of history to offer. One of the most unique experiences I have had so far was attending a bull fight in the city center. Seeing a sport that has been practiced for over 1000 years was very unique, and watching the matadors risk their lives dodging the bulls by a few inches was amazing to see. With the possibility of these fights leaving Spain forever in the near future, I was fortunate to see the event in person, instead of reading about it in a textbook.

While abroad, I am missing out on a lot of valuable in-person learning that my peers are receiving. To compensate for this as much as possible, I join the weekly military science classes by Zoom, and participate as much as possible. Additionally, I workout there almost every school day at a gym near the university. I believe that a large benefit to my time abroad has been a growing ability to adapt to new and uncomfortable situations. When I return to Cornell, I plan on utilizing these skills as a student and as a Cadet.



CDT JACK KRALIK - MSII

SUNY BINGHAMTON

Growing up in the Hudson Valley, I would frequently visit West Point, especially for the Fourth Of July celebration hosted there. With that being said, I had always considered attending West Point, but ultimately decided that having a normal college experience was important to me. The summer before my senior year a recruiter contacted me to inform me about Army ROTC, and told me how the program worked and it kind of clicked. I received a 3-year national scholarship to Binghamton and joined the Excelsior Battalion. When I arrived at Binghamton I ran for a seat in our student governments congress. In doing so, I met a girl named Caroline Sandleitner, who served as the student representative to the Binghamton University Council (board of directors). At Binghamton we've been conducting PT outdoors in the snow for the past few years and I thought she might be able to help. Together, we worked with Binghamton's President, Harvey Stenger, to gain access to the on campus facilities. Now we have a roof over our heads in the winter, and PT attendance has never been higher!

CDT Kralik was recognized as the Freedom Brigade's Cadet of the Month in March 2023 for his outstanding work in the ROTC program and in Binghamton.

CADET SPOTLIGHT

CDT RHAELYNN KOEHLER - MSIV

ELMIRA COLLEGE

My name is CDT Rhaelynn Koehler I am a current Nursing major (BSN) and Human Services minor (ASHS) at Elmira College. What made me want to join ROTC was the camaraderie and student loan forgiveness program. At Elmira the nursing program is difficult, but rewarding as you get hands on experience developing the skills necessary to succeed in the nursing field. Not only are these skills practiced in lab, but I also got the opportunity to utilize them in the hospital. As you advance in the program you can choose from different types of nursing specialties where you practice your skills. In my time in the nursing program, much like ROTC, I've made friends that will last a lifetime through the countless hours spent together during my four years of classes and clinicals. After my time as an Army Medical Surgical Nurse, I hope to practice as a civilian nurse in the critical care field.



S5 HIGHLIGHT

CDT COLLIN MELLY - MSIII

CORNELL UNIVERSITY '24



CDT Melly was appointed to the role of S5 for the Spring 2023 Semester. As S5 he is in charge of recruiting and retention for the Battalion. So far, CDT Melly has successfully planned and executed various recruiting events as well as supported his Assistant S5, CDT Chang in developing this newsletter.

CDT Melly has successfully recruited at the annual Cornell Club Fest and started a pipeline from the local Ithaca High School. The purpose he says is to inform others about the benefits of joining ROTC while in your collegiate career and to spread awareness of the importance of leadership within our program.

As an MSIII CDT Melly will be heading to Cadet Summer Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky this coming summer of 2023.

SUMMER WITH THE ARMY

“What are your plans for this summer?”



CDT SAMUEL RABIN
CORNELL UNIVERSITY '25

My name is CDT Sam Rabin and I am a sophomore (MS-II) at Cornell University studying Industrial and Labor Relations. This summer I have been given the opportunity to do two really cool things: first, I will be attending Air Assault School at Fort Benning Georgia. Air Assault is a 10-day Army school that teaches students how to conduct Air Assault operations, including attaching sling-loads to helicopters, rappelling techniques, and more. Secondly I will be attending Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT). CTLT is a program for Cadets in which they shadow a Lieutenant at an active duty army unit. I will be spending three weeks at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Alaska and joining a field artillery unit that's a part of the 11th Airborne. I am incredibly excited for these opportunities, and am excited to bring back what I have learned to my junior year of school!



CDT TYLER WALKER
CORNELL UNIVERSITY '25

This summer I will attend the Combat Diver Qualification Course, and I could not be more excited. CDQC is primarily a special skills course for Special Forces units, but there is a program that allows Cadets to attend. It is considered one of the most challenging schools in the Army and rightfully so. The water carries many dangers and effects on the human brain and body. The course is designed to induce stress and test your limits underwater as you learn to become proficient in conducting underwater combat and missions using the Drager Rebreather System. Since I received my slot, I have been training to be one of the few that passes the course. My goal in training has been to simulate the stress of the course environment and test my ability to remain calm underwater. Recently, my training has consisted of a “smoke-session” where I raise my heart rate, and then induce stress and complete the events simultaneously. I expect to be greatly challenged, however I am confident that I will be the first from Cornell to complete this school as a Cadet!



“Can you tell me about your summer with the Army?”

SUMMER WITH THE ARMY



CDT HARRISON BROWN
CORNELL UNIVERSITY '23

“These are going to be the hardest ten days of your army career” was what the Sergeants addressed my company with upon arrival to the Sabalauski Air Assault School in West Point, NY. While I thought this statement would likely be true, it made me excited for the coming days where I was hoping to prove myself as a cadet, especially after everything I had gone through to get slot number 044. On day zero, 23 candidates joined the class on the bus ride back. After a two-mile run and an obstacle course, there was a contagious happiness among everyone. Phase two is the hardest phase of slingload operations, with a timed six-mile ruck and hands-on training on six loads. There is a written exam and a hands-on test, with the hardest load being the A-22 cargo bag. After passing the exams, the students realize they are only a 12-mile ruck away from completing the school. The final phase, phase three is all repelling operations. Repelling out of a helicopter was an incredible experience, culminating in a 12-mile ruck. Graduation was a very fulfilling moment for myself. If you have the opportunity for Air Assault, Airborne, CTLT or any other summer opportunity with ROTC you need to take the chance and go do it. The experiences I had at Air Assault and CTLT shaped me into a better cadet and are experiences I will hold with me for my entire career.



CDT TYLER UNRATH
CORNELL UNIVERSITY '24

Last summer I participated in the one-month Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT) program in Wiesbaden, Germany. I attached with the 2d Multi Domain Task Force. This organization represents a new Army initiative to activate theater-level maneuver elements for precision fires and effects. It was a rewarding experience, especially as an MSII, to experience the regular Army in action. The soldiers in my electronic warfare platoon were technical experts in their field, training with cutting edge equipment. I gained a lot of respect for their knowledge and work ethic. Throughout my training, I shadowed the platoon leader and shouldered some responsibilities. During a training exercise, I led PT and even briefed a CONOP and transportation plan. I also traveled around Germany with the Lieutenants and two other cadets in the program. The program covered a lot of ground thanks to the engagement from our Lieutenant mentors. They went out of their way to provide office, field, training, and off-duty experiences to my cohort. I learned a lot about officer leadership and interaction with soldiers and NCOs; skills that will be crucial for success upon commissioning. I highly recommend CTLT to any cadet considering Active Duty.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

“What are you doing in the Army?”

2LT Ariel Staffin

CAVALRY, NYARNG

“I’m a Platoon Leader in A TRP 2-101 CAV based out of Geneva, New York as part of New York National Guard. I’m currently about halfway through Armor BOLC down at Fort Benning, GA where I’m learning all about tank platoon operations and maneuver tactics. Firing the tanks has by far been the coolest thing we’ve gotten to do so far. After BOLC, I will go through Scout Leader Course, which will focus more on the cavalry scout side of the armor branch, so that information will be more applicable towards my job in A Troop. I’m loving my time as an armor officer so far, and cannot wait to see where else this branch takes me!”



2LT Fraleigh at MIBOLC and with GEN Bryan Fenton

2LT RYAN FRALEIGH

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, 10TH MOUNTAIN

“I recently graduated from MI BOLC in the middle of April and am currently in-processing to the 1BCT, 10th Mountain Division. I will be joining the brigade MI company and will likely be working as an AS2. My experience so far has been incredible. I spent about eight months at Fort Huachuca in Arizona, (about four months as a hold and four months as a student) while also being able to travel around the state and see Sedona, Tucson and Tombstone just to name a few places. Throughout my time in Arizona, I was able to create friendships that will last throughout my career. I had the unique opportunity of having General Bryan Fenton, the acting Commander of SOCOM, speak at our graduation—his daughter was in our class. I’m excited to see where this career will take me and the people I will meet along the way. Climb to Glory!”



2LT Staffin sitting on top of a M1 Abrams at Armor BOLC, at Fort Benning, Georgia

BATTALION EXTRACURRICULARS

Here are some amazing teams that have proudly represented our Battalion in the extracurricular areas. Take a look at the updates for some of our familiar and new events.

RANGER CHALLENGE

Ranger Challenge is a competition that provides Army ROTC cadets with the opportunity to push themselves physically and mentally. The team trains every weekday in specific physical fitness and army skills to excel in each event. These events consist of Night-into-Day Land Navigation, Grenade Lanes, Tactical Combat Casualty Care, Weapons assembly/test, One-Rope Bridge, a 6-mile Ruck March, and more! The team also attends the 2nd Freedom Brigade's competition and competes with over 50 programs. The best teams from one of the 8 brigades, earns the opportunity to compete in the international Sandhurst competition at West Point against the top teams across multiple nations.



Under the leadership of CDT Matthew Palmer, team captain, they have moved from a near last-place finish in 2021 to earning 3rd in Land Navigation and 13th overall in 2022. CDT Palmer and CDT Walker, the incoming captain, have fostered a culture and foundation for the Ranger Challenge team to grow upon in the coming years and they are looking to take 1st in the 2023 2nd Freedom Brigade Ranger Challenge Competition.

TRI-SERVICE COLOR GUARD



CDT JILLIAN SHAW, CORNELL '26

I was drawn to participate in Army ROTC because of the combined physical activity and leadership development – not to mention the ability to serve as an officer in the Army. Before joining the Battalion I had heard of all the potential opportunities throughout the school year and during the summer, but it was not until arriving on campus that I was able to understand and fully appreciate the experiences that ROTC offers. This past semester I participated in Color Guard through which I developed great friendships and was able to present the colors for local ceremonies, for the Cortaca Jug Game at Yankee Stadium, for a New York Islanders NHL game, and for the Tri-Service Military Ball. I look forward to where ROTC takes me in the future!

ARMY ROTC CLUB



The Army ROTC Club was created to bridge a gap from traditional aspects of Army ROTC to extracurricular activities, camaraderie, and service. The Army ROTC program is limited on how they can fundraise for causes and fund extracurricular activities. The Cornell Army ROTC Club provides a space for service-minded individuals to engage in service, as well as a space for team building, outside of the Army ROTC program. The most rewarding event this year was the cardboard boat race where Mikel Alvis and Jillian Shaw won first in their heat in the "Tankini". We raised nearly \$500 dollars for Ithaca's Family and Children's Services. My hope is that next year, the Club can expand even more into more service projects and extracurricular funded by Cornell University's Club program.

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY SOCCER TEAM

The Battalion started an intramural soccer team in the fall. Government Property, as they called themselves, went undefeated in the regular season, scoring 21 goals in four games! Going into the playoffs, they were seeded number one, and earned a bye into the second round. Tragically, they lost 1-0, however, Government Property will be back!



TAKING INITIATIVE

Why did you want to join the Army ROTC intramural sports team?

BY SAHIL PATEL | % 2025

"We started the intramural team as a means for camaraderie and to bond over a shared love for being a team player, something the Army teaches us. Our soccer team excelled and we worked as a well integrated unit because of our communication and physical fitness. Intramural teams were also a great way to get away from academics and have some fun!"



TRI-SERVICE EVENTS

Hear from our Tri-Service Brigade Commander for the 2022-2023 School Year!

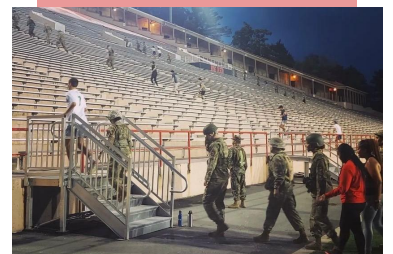


TRI-SERVICE

CDT CHLOE CROPPER | ILR '23

My name is Cadet Chloe Cropper and I am the current Tri-Service Brigade Commander. Myself and my co-commander Cadet Brockman as well as our staff of Joint-Service Representatives have been hard at work over the past year planning a variety of Tri-Service Events, from a Tri-Service Luncheon in the fall to the Commissioning Ceremony for our seniors this spring, and everything in between. Some highlights of the year include our 9/11 Memorial PT event, Tri-Service Military Ball, and Tri-Service Awards Ceremony. An important part of Brigade Staff is also our connection with local veterans, such as the local Vietnam Veterans of America chapter. We value our close relationship with the VVA and have had the honor of joining them for special Veterans Day, 9/11, and POW/MIA ceremonies.

Pictured: Tri-Service cadre members at military ball, Tri-Service Cadets/MIDN are a part of a color guard during a Veteran's Day ceremony, 9/11 memorial PT stair workout, Brigade members attend a VVA meeting.



CADET STATS

Take a look at some of the fun cadet statistics from the 2022-2023 school year! In this edition, we are sharing cadet PT stats.

CADET STATS:

ARMY COMBAT FITNESS TEST

HIGHEST DEADLIFT: 340 lbs

9 CADETS!

FURTHEST STANDING POWER THROW: 14.7m

CDT WINTERS

MOST HAND RELEASE PUSH UPS: 63

CDT BIRD

FASTEST SPRINT DRAG CARRY: 1:25

CDT WINTERS

LONGEST PLANK: 5:02

CDT TU

FASTEST 2 MILE RUN: 11:26

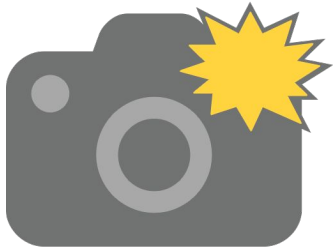
CDT KEMEN

SENIOR SEND-OFF

Learn more about our commissioning cadets from the 2022-2023 school year!

Meet Our Future LTs!

Sophia Bergen	Reserves	Engineer: 990th Engineer Company, NJ
Adele Bradley	National Guard	Military Intelligence: 2nd Battalion, 151st Aviation Regt, SC
Harrison Brown	Active Duty	Field Artillery: 2nd Battalion, 77th FA Regt, Ft Carson, CO
Adrienne Casey	Active Duty	Field Artillery: 2nd Battalion, 15th FA Regt, Ft Drum, NY
Chloe Cropper	JAG ED Delay	UT Austin Law
Matt Hoskins	National Guard	Engineer: 334th BEB, 1st ABCT, Minnesota
Ji Jang	Active Duty	Finance: TBD
Rhaelynn Koehler	Active Duty	Medical Services
Wyatt McDevitt	Reserves	Transportation
Emily Michaels	Reserves	Ordnance
Matthew Palmer	Reserves	Transportation
Igor Poliwoda	National Guard	Quartermaster
Dane Richardson	National Guard	Military Intelligence: 2nd Squadron, 101st Cavalry Regt, NY
William Winters	Active Duty	Field Artillery
Aron Zhao	National Guard	Cyber: 41st IBCT, OR



SNAPSHOTS THROUGH THE YEAR

It's time to share those memories throughout the school year! Tag us, direct message, or use the hashtag #HIStuCo to share your photos and memories. You never know - you may end up on featured on the snapshots page!



WEAPONS TRAINING

CDT Palmer teaching MSI and MSIs how to use special weapons such as the M249.



MSIV OPFOR

CDT Richardson and Giardina acting as OPFOR during our Field Training Exercises.



Welcome to the Excelsior Battalion!



TEAMWORK!

Cadets helping push the Gov Van out of the mud after a rainy FTX.



MSI CDT Fortna learning how to use ASIP Radios.



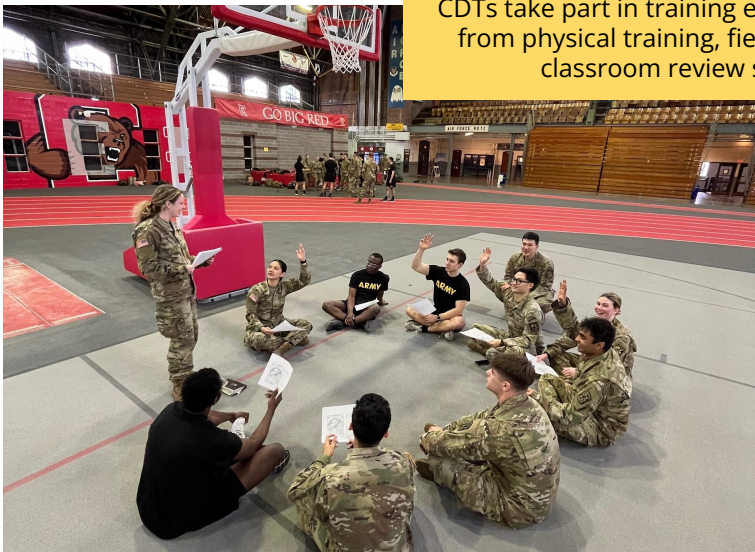
CDT Rabin practicing good cover and concealment at Spring FTX.





TRAINING, TRAINING, AND MORE TRAINING

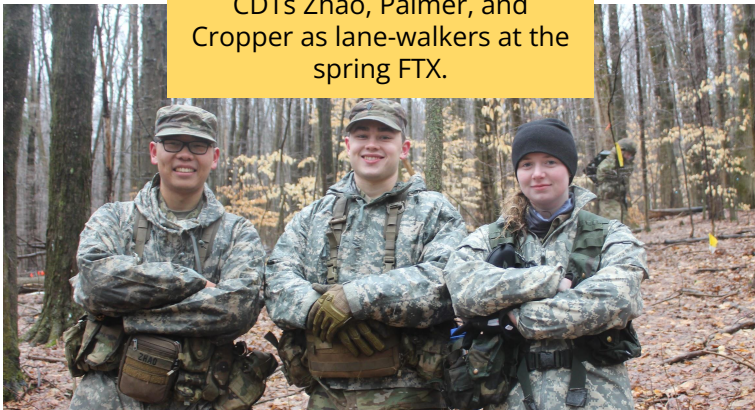
CDTs take part in training exercises, ranging from physical training, field training, and classroom review sessions



RECRUITING

CDT Melley and CDT Rabin at a recruiting event at local Ithaca High School

CDTs Zhao, Palmer, and Cropper as lane-walkers at the spring FTX.



Meet CDT Matt Hoskins!

As an MSIV CDT Hoskins took on the role as the Public Affairs Officer for the Spring 2023 semester. He has done an excellent job of photographing all of our Battalion events and has kept our @armyrotccornell instagram account active. This semester he has been creating senior highlights to share with others in our Excelsior community which has increased our social media interaction.

All of the photos in this section were taken and provided by CDT Hoskins.



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