The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
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Officer Education Committee

The Officer Education Committee (OEC) is the Executive Committee of the Department of Military Science. The OEC works with the department and the Professor of Military Science (PMS) in the areas of curriculum, budget, faculty appointments, and administration. To perform these duties, the committee met five times through March 1986. Informal coordination between the Military Science Department and the committee is continuous.

During the 1985-86 academic year, there were 134 undergraduate students enrolled in the Department of Military Science. Seven students had ROTC scholarships and 40 advanced students received financial aid. The total financial aid to these students was over $70,000. Seventeen cadets will be commissioned as second lieutenants during the 1985-86 academic year. Of these, 12 will be officers in local National Guard or Army Reserve Units, and five will serve on active Federal Service.

Curriculum

ROTC cadets are required to take at least one undergraduate course in each of the following areas: written communication skills, human behavior, management, national security, and military history. In conjunction with the Professor of Military Science, the OEC attempts to verify that cadets are meeting UWM and Military Science requirements in a responsible and timely sequence.

The OEC encourages exposure to military science activities by UWM faculty and administrators. This includes sponsoring opportunities to observe UWM students during off campus training. Seven faculty are scheduled to visit Ft. McCoy in April and a representative will visit advanced Summer Training at Ft. Lewis, WA.

Budget

The OEC assisted the Department to develop a planning document for submission to the College of Letters & Science. UWM budgetary support for the department continues at a minimal level. In particular, the committee remains concerned with the inadequate level of secretarial support.

Faculty

The committee reviewed nomination materials of three new faculty members: MAJ (F) Gregory Fueger, CPT Kent Dutton, and CPT Brian Larson, and recommended their appointment to the Military Science faculty. These appointees will replace LTC Clifford
MacDonald (PMS), MAJ Kip Mendini, and CPT Robert Fuller, who are leaving UWM at the end of the current academic year.

OEC members were members of 3 Army ROTC Scholarship Boards. The results of the boards are not yet complete. It is anticipated that six UWM students will receive scholarships.

During the 1985-86 academic year, UWM was visited by Brigadier General White and by Col. Byrkit. Both represent the Second U.S. Army ROTC Region Headquarters at Fort Knox, Kentucky. These visitors met with UMW administrators, and with the Committee, to exchange views on subjects of mutual interest.

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David Garnham, Political Science (Chair)
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Donn Haglund, Geography
Gabor Karadi, Civil Engineering
Clifford MacDonald, Military Science
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