



**NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**Department of Military Science**  
**Wise Foundation Scholarship**



The Northwestern State University Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) is a college program that prepares students to become officers in the U.S. Army. The training a student receives in Army ROTC provides leadership development, military skills, and career training. Courses take place both in the classroom and in the field and are mixed with normal academic studies. Upon completion, an ROTC graduate is commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Army.

The Wise Foundation Army ROTC Scholarship is a two-semester scholarship (\$5000 a year) and is designed to assist with paying the first year of college. Qualified Cadets will be able to apply for an additional ROTC scholarship to cover the remaining three years (Sophomore-Senior).

**\*NOTE:** This scholarship offer is only valid at Northwestern State University of Louisiana.

**Scholarship Eligibility**

To be eligible to participate in this program, an applicant must:

1. Be a citizen of the United States.
2. Be a high school senior, be a high school graduate or equivalent (GED).
3. Be able to get admitted into Northwestern State University.
4. Enroll in the MSL 1010 (class), MSL 1011 (lab) & MSL 2030 (PT).
5. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 grading point system.

**NOTE:** Up to 3 Letters of Recommendation are encouraged, but not needed to apply.



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**TIMELINE TO APPLY:**

Applications will be due back to the NSU ROTC Department no later than 23 May 2025. Please email your packet to [mcdowellr@nsula.edu](mailto:mcdowellr@nsula.edu). If sending your packet by mail, please use the address below.

Northwestern State University Department of Military Science

c/o Mr. Raymond McDowell

418 Caspari Drive, Building 31

Natchitoches, LA. 71497

Notification to the recipients will be made no later than 01 June 2024.

However, they could be notified as the decisions are made.

For any questions about this scholarship or required documents, please contact Mr. Raymond McDowell at 318-357-6501 or [mcdowellr@nsula.edu](mailto:mcdowellr@nsula.edu).

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**CHECKLIST OF ITEMS TO INCLUDE WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP PACKET:**

- ☐ Scholarship Application
- ☐ Letters of Recommendation
- ☐ Copy of High School Transcript



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**\*PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # XXX - X X - \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Day Mon Year

Mailing  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (if available) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently employed? ☐ Full Time / ☐ Part Time / ☐ No

**CURRENT EMPLOYMENT:**

Name of employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION INFORMATION:**

What is the last school you attended?

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School City State: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your highest level of education?

☐ GED ☐ High School Diploma ☐ Other

What is your current GPA? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your SAT / ACT score? \_\_\_\_\_



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**EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**

Extra-curricular activities: events, orgs, teams, positions, community service, etc.

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List your high school accomplishments: awards, scholarships, internships, etc.

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JROTC leadership positions held (if applicable)

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**OTHER INFORMATION:**

Are you applying at other universities, which ones?

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What college majors are you interested in?

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Have you applied for the 4-year Army ROTC National Scholarship? ☐ Yes / ☐ No

List any extracurricular activities that you plan to participate in while in college.

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Describe what you see yourself doing 5 years from today. The scholarship committee realizes that in many cases, applicants will not have decided on career goals. However, complete this section to the best of your ability.

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**I hereby apply for the Wise Foundation Scholarship. The information on this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree to participate in a written or verbal interview as part of the scholarship application process. I give consent for my school to share my personally identifiable information with NSU ROTC staff to determine eligibility for scholarships including but not limited to my schedule, fees, financial aid information, and my grades.**

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

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