

THE CANADIAN FORCES

Subsidized Education in the Canadian Military College System*

The Regular Officer Training Plan (ROTP)

A quality education is the foundation for your future, no matter what career path you choose. If you are looking for unique responsibilities, a meaningful career with excellent opportunities, and the chance to develop your personal strengths, then your first step is the **Regular Officer Training Plan** (ROTP). A career as an Officer in the Canadian Forces will offer you experiences and challenges that will enable you to maximize your contribution to Canada, at home and abroad.

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1. ROTP BENEFITS

You will benefit from paid tuition, a full-time salary and benefits, second-language training, an exciting career after graduation, and more opportunities than you can imagine.

Typically, as a successful applicant to ROTP, you will enter the Canadian Military College (CMC) System as an Officer Cadet, where you receive a first-class education that balances academics, leadership, bilingualism and athletics.

In addition to a university education, Officer Cadets receive military training, occupation training and second language training. The full-time salary includes full medical and dental care, as well as vacation with full pay.

2. THE SELECTION PROCESS

Since an application to ROTP is also an application to the Canadian Military College System, all candidates are assessed against:

- > An aptitude test
- > A medical examination
- > An interview
- > Military Potential — an assessment of Aptitudes, Personality Traits, and the choice of occupation
- > Academic Performance — an assessment of a candidate's top six most recent marks related to the requirements of the chosen programme.

Officer Cadets are obliged to maintain satisfactory academic and military performance throughout the programme. Upon successful completion of ROTP, Officer Cadets are awarded a university degree and granted commissions as Officers in the Canadian Forces. Normally, graduates serve at least five years with the Canadian Forces. The application deadline to ROTP is in January for Basic Officer Training in July and admission the following September.

** Sometimes, there are more qualified candidates than the CMC System can accommodate or your choice of programme is not offered. In this instance, you would be eligible to apply to any Canadian university. Your books, lab fees and student fees are covered, and you receive a monthly salary.*

3. THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA (KINGSTON)

The Royal Military College (RMC) of Canada in Kingston, Ontario, is the arm of the Canadian Military College System which grants university degrees. We offer the same topnotch university education as the best Canadian academic institutions, with the added emphasis on grooming Officer Cadets to become leaders in the Canadian Forces.

Your education and military training are built on a foundation of the four components of achievement: Academics, Leadership, Athletics and Bilingualism. In a holistic approach to military education, all four components are integrated into each day and all aspects of education.

With over 25 clubs, a complete intramural sports programme and extensive recreational facilities, RMC of Canada strives to foster the development of well-rounded Officer Cadets. Students are encouraged to get involved, pursue their personal interests, be creative and have fun.

4. RMC KINGSTON - THE CORE CURRICULUM

RMC of Canada offers 19 Baccalaureate Degree Programmes in Arts, Science and Engineering. As a foundation for academic excellence all undergraduate students are required to complete the core curriculum, which is designed to provide a balanced liberal arts, science and military education.

Arts

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts gain practical communication and critical thinking skills, as well as specialized, hands-on experience in their chosen field.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (GENERAL AND HONOURS)

- > Business Administration
- > Economics
- > English
- > French Studies
- > History
- > Military and Strategic Studies
- > Military Psychology and Leadership
- > Politics

Science

The Science programmes offered at RMC are relevant to occupations in both the Canadian Forces and the civilian sector.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (GENERAL AND HONOURS)

- > Chemistry
- > Computer Science
- > Mathematics
- > Physics
- > Space Science

Engineering

Engineers are the backbone of the Canadian Forces, providing support to deployed operations and domestic installations.

BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

- > • Aeronautical
- > • Chemical
- > • Civil
- > • Computer
- > • Electrical
- > • Mechanical

The Faculty of Science, in conjunction with the Faculty of Arts, also offers three joint honours degrees: Computer Science and Business Administration, Chemistry and Psychology, and Space Science and Military and Strategic Studies.

5. THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE (SAINT-JEAN)

A successful Officer Cadet requires a solid foundation of education and leadership training. The Royal Military College (RMC) Saint Jean is the arm of the Canadian Military College system that ensures the smooth transition of selected Cadets from high school to university education by providing pre-university and college-level programs. The programs are harmonized with those at RMC of Canada. The education and military training are founded on the same four components of achievement.

RMC Saint Jean offers a low teacher-student ratio, a superior physical fitness programme, high quality teaching with an experienced military team, and a variety of leadership activities. RMC Saint Jean is located on the historic site of Fort Saint Jean, originally built 1666, which is now part of the town of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, 40 km south of Montreal.

6. THE PREPARATORY YEAR AT RMC SAINT-JEAN

This academic year is designed for students who have completed high school in Quebec or for those students outside the province of Quebec who demonstrate strong academic ability but are missing prerequisites for direct admission to RMC of Canada.

Following successful completion of Prep Year, students begin their undergraduate degree at either RMC of Canada or RMC Saint Jean. Students who meet the academic requirements after two years at RMC Saint Jean receive a CEGEP diploma from the province of Quebec.

In preparation for continued university studies at RMC of Canada in Kingston, Ontario, students select either the Social Sciences programme (for students pursuing a degree in Arts) or in the Science programme (for students pursuing a degree in Engineering or Science). Each programme is offered in both official languages.

The two programmes share core courses:

- > four in Literature
- > three in Philosophy
- > two in Second Language Studies
- > three in Physical Education

These core courses are supplemented with courses specific to each programme:

Social Sciences Programme

- > Sociology
- > History
- > Political science
- > Mathematics
- > Economics
- > Psychology

Science Programme

- > Mathematics
- > Physics
- > Chemistry
- > Biology