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MEMORANDUM FOR: CLAS Curriculum Committee

SUBJECT: Adding a Minor in Military Leadership

- 1. The Department of Military Science is proposing a new minor in Military Leadership for undergraduate students. We believe that the new minor will be beneficial to the many non-majors who concentrate their electives within the purview of the Military Science department. A major in Military Leadership is not available, therefore we highly recommend that the University approve a Minor in Military Leadership that will reflect the amount of leadership studies required of our students.
- 2. The minor in Military Leadership would consist of 18 credit hours, of which, 12 must be at the 300 or 400 level. Students may petition to have a requirement substituted by speaking with the undergraduate advisor. At least 12 credits must be in residence on an ASU Campus.
- 3. Proposed Curriculum:
- a. REQUIRED COURSES (12 hours)
- (1) Prerequisites: Students wishing to earn a minor in Military Leadership must first qualify to be enrolled in MIS 301. In order to be eligible for this, students must either: a) have completed 12 hours in MIS 100 and MIS 200 level courses, or b) completed Leader's Training Course in Ft. Knox, KY, or c) have three years of introductory leadership training in High School JROTC, or d) have honorable prior military service.
- (2) Additional required courses:

MIS 301 Advanced Military Science I (3 credits)

MIS 302 Advanced Military Science II (3 credits)

MIS 401 Advanced Military Science III (3 credits)

MIS 402 Advanced Military Science IV (3 credits)

b. ELECTIVES

Students must choose a minimum of 6 credits from the following course offerings:

MIS 410 American Defense Policy I (3 credits)

MIS 294 Special Topics (3 credits)

MIS 499 Individualized Leadership Instruction (3 credits)

HST 456 Vietnam War (3 credits) HST 408 Civil War and Reconstruction (3 credits)

- 4. Justification for the new Minor in Military Leadership:
- a. This minor can be supported without further costs or burdens upon the University.
- b. The minor will recognize the additional work required of our students in pursuit of their commission while fulfilling degree requirements in other departments and colleges of the University.
- c. All enrolled students participate in our leadership laboratory. Students are provided the opportunity to practice leadership by assuming supervisory/management positions at different levels, and are responsible for controlling and motivating these students to accomplish specific training activities and objectives. In addition, all MS 300/400 level students prepare and direct a 72 hour leadership exercise off campus each semester.
- d. The MIS 300 and 400 level courses are robust leadership courses which continuously train and evaluate our students in leadership positions and which places them in charge of anywhere from 5 to 200 fellow students and peers.
- e. The course also requires attendance at a rigorous five week Leadership Development Assessment Course at Ft. Lewis, WA, where our students are tested and evaluated on their leadership skills in competition with nearly 3500 other students nationwide.
- 3. We appreciate your consideration of our proposal for a Minor in Military Leadership. We would like to request that this be in effect for Spring of 2010, and that students who are graduating in May 2010 (and who have met all of the above requirements) be awarded the Minor. POC this memorandum is MAJ (R) Jim Barclay, APMS, (480) 965-7486, rjbarclay@asu.edu.

Cordially,

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